



## Novice and Atom League Report

The Novice League will have some changes made in the format. We will be changing our mini season to tournament style games. Each team will play 6 games in tournaments over the first month of the season. These tournaments will help determine placements. Tournaments will be based in the same geographical divisions of North and South. There will be some minor changes to Hockey Manitoba's Novice format which will be released at the Season Opener. Thank you to associations who have offered to coach and I hope to have a confirmed tournament dates out to you shortly.

\* October 12<sup>th</sup> has been confirmed as the Novice Development Day in Landmark. This is a coaching clinic that will focus on the Novice format, small area games and a coaching clinic. Each association must have a novice coach attending and we will set a maximum of 3 people per association to start.

At the Summer Summit, it was mentioned that we would try to do a season opener tournament mini season like the novice league pending ice availability. Due to the difficulty securing ice, the decision has been made to postpone the atom changes until next season.

Respectfully Submitted,  
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