

ONTARIO RINGETTE ASSOCIATION 3 CONCORDE GATE, SUITE #207 TORONTO, ONTARIO M3C 3N7

MEMBERSHIP NOTICE

Are All Ringette Events Equal?

Over the course of a season there are many events taking place in Ringette. These range from tryouts, practices, games to camps, tournaments and tours. These must be sanctioned (approved, endorsed) in order for organizers and participants to be covered by ORA policy, procedures and most importantly insurance.

How do you know if you are covered when participating in these events?

- A) Local Events: Your association must be a member in good standing.
- 1) Tryouts, practices and league games. These events are sanctioned as it is assumed your association has knowledge of all local on-ice activities as they pay for and schedule ice usage.
- 2) Dryland practices, fundraising, promotional events, team meetings and banquets. Local association executive must have knowledge of the event and approve for it to be sanctioned.
- 3) Clinics and Ringette Camps. Event must be endorsed by local association or Region and must complete and submit Camp Registration Form (SD-F-01) plus \$15.00 registration fee to the office. These are posted on the ORA website.
- B) Regional and Provincial Events: These are sanctioned following prescribed procedures and posted on the ORA website.

Remember that anyone can hold an event. While these events may be well organized, run by knowledgeable and respected Ringette people and of great value they are usually outside the jurisdiction of ORA rules, policies, procedures and insurance. Just because the organizer says you are covered by your associations' insurance does not make it so.

This does not mean you should not participate. Do your due diligence before you sign up to insure that you are aware of insurance coverage; rules and standards used and if you decide to participate have fun.

*NOTE: The Sanctioned Event listing is posted on the ORA website (<u>www.ontario-ringette.com</u>) under Games & Tournaments – Tournament Information – 20**-20** Sanctioned Event List.

Refer to the annual Membership Notice regarding Insurance Coverage for more details on General Liability and Sport Accident Insurance coverage.