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WCRC Technical Package Clarification for U19 Zone Division Participation at the 2024 Ringette BC Zone Provincials

Dear U19 Zone Teams,

As a follow-up to the memo sent on Wednesday, February 14, 2024, Ringette BC has received further clarification from the Western Canadian Ringette Championships Governance Committee on the implementation of the [2024 Western Canadian Ringette Championships \(WCRC\) Technical Package](#) as it relates to the requirement that teams to **DRESS** at least 80 per cent females on their roster to be eligible to compete. As Ringette BC follows this rule in the WCRC's Technical Package, **it is applicable for both the 2024 Ringette BC Provincial Championships and the 2024 Western Canadian Ringette Championships.**

WCRC Technical Package 80/20 Rule Clarification (Size of roster is used for example purposes only to illustrate the calculation):

- 15 players attending x 80% = 12, DRESSED 12 females, 3 males
- 14 players attending x 80% = 11.2, rounding to the closest whole number, DRESSED 11 females, 3 males
- 13 players attending x 80% = 10.4, rounding to the closest whole number, DRESSED 10 females, 3 males
- 12 players attending x 80% = 9.6, rounding to the closest whole number, DRESSED 10 females and 2 males

WCRC Technical Package 80/20 Rule Clarification for Injury or Ejection During Competition:

- If a female player is injured during a game, and the number of female players drops below the 80% threshold as above, there is no change to the allocation of DRESSED participants for the remainder of the game as the game sheet was accurate when the game began.
 - Players that leave a game - due to injury and expulsion are not removed from the game sheet mid game, no change to the allocation of DRESSED participants.
- For the next game, if the player remains injured and unable to play - the 80/20 rule applies. Please note that if the injury results in a change that would affect the permitted number of males/females, the injured athlete could be dressed and on the bench (ensuring proper injury protocol is followed) to ensure the 80/20 rule is followed as the tech package refers to "Dressed" not "Dressed and playable". If the player remains EJECTED from the next game and are not permitted to participate, the 80/20 rule applies. The athlete is not permitted to be dressed on the bench.

Lastly, please note that as per the [Ringette Canada Transgender - Inclusion Policy and guiding principles](#), transgender athletes in developmental and recreational sport are encouraged to participate in either their sex assigned at birth or the gender category in which they identify. Non-binary athletes are encouraged to participate in the gender category of their choice.

Sincerely,



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