IMPORTANT INFORMATION

New for the 2024-25 season.

Vulnerable sector checks are now centralized by the OHF.

This change may make the process longer as Essa Minor Hockey no longer has any in-house control. There are **NO EXCEPTIONS** to these requirements.

We encourage all volunteers to begin this process now to avoid any delays.

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The centralization of all Vulnerable Sector Checks will be conducted by the Ontario Hockey Federation (OHF) for all Team Officials and Team Personnel for the 2024-25 season.

The following individuals who are associated with the OHF, Members, hockey leagues, Hockey Clubs and/or Associations must adhere to the OHF Screening Policy and submit to the Ontario Hockey Federation:

• Team officials (including but not limited to head coaches, assistant coaches, trainers,

managers and at large team officials);

- On-ice officials; and
- Anyone else who, through their duties on behalf of the OHF, a Member, a hockey club or

Association, may work with children (included but not limited to on-ice volunteers, skills

coaches, third party skills coaches and dressing room supervisors).

How to Get Started:

<u>Step 1:</u>

- Click <u>here</u> for the OHF letter for volunteers (fill in the blanks and download as PDF)
- Visit <u>https://www.opp.ca/index.php?id=147&lng=en</u> to apply for your vulnerable sector check.

If you have your VSC from 2022-23 or 2023-24 you can convert this document to PDF and submit it.

<u>Step 2:</u>

Before entering the OHF Screening Submission Portal, please ensure you are ready with the necessary documentation. You will need your:

Hockey Canada Registry (HCR) Number (contact

registrar@essaminorhockey.com for help with this)

- Vulnerable Sector Check (PDF) **OR** Receipt of Vulnerable Sector Check (PDF)
- Completed PDF copy of the OHF declaration form found <u>here</u>

Full screening process details are available at https://ohf.on.ca/risk-management/ohf-vulnerable-sector-checks/

Start your screening process now