



# STONEY CREEK MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

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## STONEY CREEK MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION 20<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL SELECT WINTERFEST TOURNAMENT 21/22

It is with great disappointment that Stoney Creek Minor Hockey announces the cancellation of this year's SELECT WINTERFEST HOCKEY TOURNAMENT. With the ramifications and delays caused by the most recent hockey pause imposed by the Provincial Government, it has become logistically impossible to proceed with this event.

SCMHA is deeply saddened by being forced to make this decision. We know how much teams, players and families look forward to our annual Winterfest "FAMILY DAY" weekend tournament. Our youth have paid the largest price during this pandemic and it's unfortunate that this decision will add further disappointment.

This is not a decision that was made lightly. Rather, this decision was made due to the City of Hamilton having to address the ice allocation demands caused by the recent pause in play. There simply is not enough available facilities to accommodate a tournament of this size and magnitude currently. The impact of this cancellation will be felt not only by the players and teams themselves but also the loss of revenue to the local community. We sincerely apologize and truly wish there was another way to continue with this year's tournament.

SCMHA personnel will be in touch with team contacts in the coming weeks to coordinate refunds. Please be patient as we work through this process.

Stoney Creek Minor Hockey wishes everyone a successful and safe return to hockey starting January 31, 2022. We look forward to resuming all annual tournaments next season.

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