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To: District Chairs, MHA's, Junior, SHEO, Special Hockey

CC: HEO Board of Directors, HEO Staff

From: Bailey Hyson,

Membership Services, HEO

Date: August 1st, 2025

Re: **Vulnerable Sector Check (VSC) Ontario Standardized Process Reminder**

Good afternoon,

This memo is a reminder of the new Ontario Standardized Vulnerable Sector Check (VSC) process. For the 25-26 season, any 18 years or older team officials, on-ice officials, third party instructors, or others who work directly with vulnerable populations, who are either new or have VSC dated from 2022 or older, are required to obtain a new VSC and must submit the VSC and declaration through the HEO website. In addition, individuals (regardless of their VSC date) are required to complete a declaration on an annual basis (including the 25-26 season). To start the process or find more information, please click this link: [Vulnerable Sector Check | Hockey Eastern Ontario](#)

As well, August 1st is the first date that VSC receipts will begin to be accepted and considered valid for those that need to wait for their VSC to be completed by the police but need to be rostered. Individuals will need to submit the receipt and complete the online declaration through the portal, linked here: [Ontario Screening Submission Portal](#)

Please note that all 2022 or earlier VSCs will be considered invalid for the 2025-2026 season. This will come into effect on August 15, 2025. In order to be rostered in the 2025-2026 season, an individual must have a VSC from 2023 or later and complete a declaration. If an individual is missing a valid VSC and or their declaration, they cannot be rostered onto a team.