



West Ottawa Ringette Association WOW Ringette Goalie Challenge!

Coaches & Managers,

West Ottawa Ringette is proud to acknowledge the unique skills & team dedication that our goalies demonstrate each time step on the ice! Imagine being 7 years old, just learning to skate and now being asked by the coach to take their turn in nets.

This ribbon program is intended to recognize those players who take up this challenge. It's intended to recognize the **effort to participate as a goalie in a game**. Regardless of the outcome of the game, these players should feel proud that they stepped on the ice as a West Ottawa Ringette goalie!

Program Guidelines:

- WOW Ringette Goalie Challenge ribbons are intended to be handed out to players who try goaltending in a game (e.g., exhibition, league, playoff or tournament games):
 - 1 Game Ribbon (Black) – for the 1st game
 - 3 Game Ribbon (Red) – for the 3rd game
 - 5 Game Ribbon (White) – for the 5th game
 - 10 Game Ribbon (Maroon) – for the 10th game
 - A player can collect up to 4 different ribbons in a season!
- At the Novice U8 and U9 levels all players should be encouraged to try goaltending at least once throughout the season and where appropriate goaltending duties should be rotated through the entire team.
- All other house league teams can choose to rotate goalies or support a full time goalie approach based on team requirements.
- Ribbons should be handed out by the coach or manager preferably in a setting that **immediately** recognizes the achievement in front of the team (e.g., in the dressing room after a game).
- While the program is targeted towards the younger players, don't underestimate the desire to earn a ribbon at the Petite and Tween ages.
- WOW Ringette Goalie Challenge ribbons are intended to be collectors items with a special and unique prestige associated with them. Indiscriminately handing out these ribbons will lessen the importance and thrill of receiving one. Please take care to keep this program special!
- We request that you keep track of who received at least 1 ribbon as WORA recognizes our goalies at the year end banquet. In previous years a specific goalie slide show was created. In addition to this we'd like to recognize all those participating in the WOW Ringette Goalie Challenge.
- Any member of the executive would be proud to hand out the ribbons at your request. Just ask.

Regards,

West Ottawa Ringette Executive