

### SARNIA-LAMBTON JR. STING AAA HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

## **REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL**

# HELMET Sponsorship

#### **INTRODUCTION**

The Sarnia-Lambton Jr. Sting AAA Hockey Association (hereinafter referred to as the "Association") is inviting proposals from prospective corporate sponsors for a helmet sponsor opportunity. This opportunity provides extensive visibility for your brand within our community and at local, regional and international events during games, tournaments, and community events.

Our Association is comprised of approximately 145 players, spanning 8 teams, from U10 to U18. Sponsorship contributions will be evenly distributed across all teams to ensure all teams and players benefit equally from the partnership.

Sponsors have the opportunity to sponsor all 8 teams or a smaller number of teams (e.g. 4 teams or 6 teams).

Our Association Mission Statement is as follows:

- To provide a positive and competitive minor hockey development program.
- To put the healthy personal development of each player at the forefront.
- To enhance the positive values of hockey by providing coaching role models who demonstrate leadership, strong work ethic, and community pride with the goal of developing strong future leaders based on their example.
- To support coaches, officials, and volunteers by providing ongoing training and access to information.
- To support the mandate of Hockey Canada and work with other hockey centres, Alliance Hockey and the Ontario Hockey Federation to promote and grow minor hockey in Lambton County.

#### **SPONSORSHIP DETAILS**

#### LOGO PLACEMENT

Logoed stickers, provided by the sponsor, will be prominently placed on all players' helmets.

#### VISIBILITY

Teams participate in regular league games, tournaments, playoffs/playdowns, and community events, offering extensive exposure.

#### TERM

The sponsorship agreement will cover the 2025-2026 hockey season.

#### **FUNDING DISTRIBUTION**

Sponsorship funds will be allocated equally across all 8 teams.

#### **SCOPE OF SPONSORSHIP**

#### The Sponsor will be responsible for:

- Providing high-quality logo stickers in compliance with helmet safety standards
- Financial sponsorship to support the Association's needs

#### The Association will be responsible for:

- Approving the helmet stickers prior to production
- Ensuring sticker placement on all players' helmets
- Recognizing the sponsor through various channels (e.g. social media, website, and at events)

#### SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Interested sponsors should submit a proposal including the following:

- 1. **Company Information:** Name, address, contact details, and a brief overview of your organization.
- 2. **Proposed Sponsorship Amount:** The financial contribution you are willing to provide.
- 3. **Number of Teams:** Indicate whether you are bidding to sponsor all 8 teams, or a select number of teams. *Note: Final team assignments will be determined by the Association.*
- 4. Logo Specifications: Details about the logo design and size.
- 5. **Benefits to Sponsor:** Outline any additional expectations or desired benefits (e.g., recognition at events, promotional opportunities).
- 6. **Previous Sponsorships** *(if applicable)*: Examples of past community or sports sponsorships.

#### **EVALUATION CRITERIA**

Proposals will be evaluated based on:

- Alignment with the Association's values
- Timeliness and completeness of submission
- Sponsorship amount offered:
  - Submissions will be evaluated based on two key factors:
    - 1. Total sponsorship amount
    - 2. Number of teams the sponsor is able to support

• Sponsors supporting a higher number of teams, alongside competitive financial contributions, will be prioritized in the evaluation process.

#### TIMELINE

- **RFP Issued:** May 7, 2025
- Submission Deadline: May 30, 2025
- Review Period: June 1 to June 8, 2025
- Sponsor Announcement: June 9, 2025

#### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

For questions or clarifications, please contact:

Jessica Barnes, Treasurer treasurer@lambtonjrsting.ca 519-384-0924

#### SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

Proposals must be submitted by 11:59 p.m. on Friday, May 30, 2025, via email to treasurer@lambtonjrsting.ca and president@lambtonjrsting.ca.