# Delmarva Raptors Fundraising

It is the policy of the Delmarva Raptors that there will be no mandatory fundraising and any organization-wide or individual team fundraising will be voluntary. The Delmarva Raptors is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. To keep said status, all fundraisers must benefit all members of the organization or the team.

# Organization-wide Fundraising

Fundraising proposals and/or events established for the purposes of raising funds for the general operational budget of Delmarva Raptors shall be coordinated by the Board and the Fundraising Coordinator and any subcommittee.

The Organization may fundraise for the following:

1. General funds for Club operation
2. Coach/trainer development expenses
3. Player development expenses
4. Equipment needs
5. Facility rental
6. Offset fees to ensure the accessibility of youth hockey to all

# Individual Team Fundraising

Individual Team Fundraising is defined as raising money in addition to the base tuition cost for individual teams and/or are not costs included in the operational budget of the Delmarva Raptors for any given season. Examples of this are raising funds toward tournament fees and tournament jerseys, team parties and team building activities.

Individual teams may be permitted to conduct fundraising activities provided the following conditions are met:

* A notification of intentions that describes the proposed fundraising activity and the intended use of the funds has been submitted to the Delmarva Raptors Board.
* A completed Individual Team Fundraising application has been submitted to the Delmarva Raptors Board.
* Present the fundraising proposal to the Delmarva Raptors if necessary or requested.
* Obtain approval from the Delmarva Raptors Board. This approval must be obtained before fundraising can begin. *(Majority approval by the Board of Directors is required.)*

**Delmarva Raptor Individual Fundraising Rules and Guidelines**

1. Individual Team Fundraising must not interfere with established Delmarva Raptors fundraising and/or sponsors. For example – A team may not fundraise during a Delmarva Raptors fundraising event.
2. A team may only have two (2) fundraisers per season.
3. No individual team shall solicit monetary donations solely for their team. All monetary sponsorships and donations must be for the benefit of the Delmarva Raptors organization.
4. Delmarva Raptors events take precedence over all individual team fundraising. The reason for this is to prevent the unintentional undermining of fundraising intended to maintain operation of the program.
5. All funds raising must be used in the season year that they are received.
6. Team fundraising and the funds received may only be used for: **tournament fees and tournament jerseys, team celebrations and team building activities.**
7. Teams understand that while there is Board approval given it is the team’s responsibility to account for all proceeds and expenses associated with their individual team fundraiser.
8. Teams understand that if they are seeking to do a “charitable gaming” event such as raffle to be compliant with Delaware gaming laws, the ticket may not be more than $5.00 per ticket and the total prize value must be $500.00 or less or permitting is required from the State.
9. Upon completion of the fundraiser, the team must submit a summary of the funds raised to the board within 15 days of the end date of the fundraiser.

# Branding

The unauthorized use of “Delmarva Raptors” text and/or logo is expressly prohibited unless authorized by Delmarva Raptors. Example: A team is interested in purchasing custom t-shirts or an alternative “third jersey” for an upcoming tournament or event that includes the Delmarva Raptors name and/or logo. The head coach or team manager must submit the proposed item(s) that clearly illustrates the intended design to the Delmarva Raptors Board prior to proceeding with purchase and/or production. Majority approval by the Delmarva Raptors Board is required. Please note that this is, in part, to ensure that the Raptors name and logo are being accurately and appropriately represented.