



## Waterloo Minor Hockey Association

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## Select Program Guidelines

### **Divisions:**

WMHA will have House League Select teams in the Novice to Midget divisions in both Minor and Major years. Select teams will follow the same guidelines as per WMHA Recreational League Rules and Guidelines unless noted otherwise below.

### **Coaching Selection:**

Any individual interested in Head coaching a House League Select team must complete a coach's application. Selection of Head coaches will be done by the Rec. Management Committee. The selection recommendations will be based on knowledge, experience, etc. If the applicant has a child in the division they apply for the skill level of their child will be a factor in the coaching selection. Head coach selections will be done by July 31st. The Board of Directors will have the final approval on all coaching staff selections. Coaching staff list for each team must be submitted for approval following final team selections. No games may be played until staff approval has been given.

All members of the coaching staff must have Respect in Sport (i.e. Speak Out), the coaches must hold a NCCP Level Coach or higher and their must be a Certified Trainer. If members of the coaching staff have a child on the team the skill level of their child should meet what would be expected of a player on the select team.

### **Player Eligibility:**

All Waterloo Minor Hockey Association registered players are eligible to tryout. Any player that plays on a High School Varsity team is *ineligible* to tryout and play for a Select team.

### **Player Selections:**

There will be open tryouts. There will be a maximum of three (3) per division at a cost to be determined by WMHA. Advertising for tryouts will be posted on the WMHA website. Select tryouts will be held prior to teams being selected for house league. This will allow the house league convenors to ensure a fair representation of Select players across each House League team as possible.

Each team must select 6 Defense – 9 Offense – 2 Goalies. A team can add AP players as well. There is no limit on the number of AP players. However, Head coaches are encouraged to only add a number of AP players who have a realistic opportunity to play in a Select game. Any player that is an AP to a Rep team is also eligible to play on a Select team. There is a 5 games per AP player maximum for those Select players that are AP to a higher team.

### **Schedule:**

**Ice Sessions:** WMHA will provide 12 scheduled ice sessions. In addition to the WMHA provided ice sessions teams are permitted to arrange up to an additional 12 ice sessions paid by the team budget. Ice Sessions are used for exhibition games and practices as described below. At least four of the WMHA provided Ice sessions must be used for practices. Exhibition games are to be scheduled so as not to interfere with the recreation league game schedule.

### **Novice through Minor Peewee:**

**Exhibition Games:** Teams may schedule up to 16 exhibition games consisting preferably of 8 home and 8 away games or a combination of home and away games not totaling more than 16.

**Practices:** Teams must schedule a minimum of 6 and up to a maximum of 16 practices.

### **Major Peewee through Major Midget:**

**Exhibition Games:** Teams may schedule up to 20 exhibition games consisting preferably of 10 home and 10 away games or a combination of home and away not totaling more than 20.

**Practices:** Teams must schedule a minimum of 4 and up to a maximum of 14 practices.

### **All Divisions:**

**Tournaments:** Teams may attend 2 tournaments.

**Alliance Championships:** Teams for divisions where there are Alliance Select Championships must attend the Alliance Championships. This is in addition to the two tournaments above.

**Alliance 30 Game Limit:** Total number of games played during the season cannot exceed the Alliance Limit of thirty exhibition games per season including tournaments. The Alliance championship games are not included in the thirty game totals.

**Travel Permits:** Teams are to submit travel permits for all games (both home and away) and tournaments. Permits need to be submitted in a timely manner to allow a minimum of two weeks for scheduling of officials.

**Practice Permits:** Teams are to submit practice permits for any additional practices arranged by the team. This is required for insurance reasons.

### **Cost:**

1. WMHA Player fees are determined by the league. Make all checks payable to WMHA.
2. Team fees will be based on the team budget (tournament, officials, etc.)  
Each team is responsible for their own budget and **MUST** be made known to and approved by parents/players prior to the season beginning. All team budgets must be approved by the Select Convenor or Rec. Directors. Prior to being submitted for parent approval.

### **Player Suspension**

Any player under suspension is not permitted to participate in any scheduled team activity including games, practices or tournaments until the suspension is served in scheduled House League or Select games.