

Travel Hockey Registration Frequently Asked Questions

How do I register my child?

For 2011-2012, if your child played last year in the Wayzata program and you are a natural resident of the WYHA association; i.e., District #284 school boundaries, you will need to register your child online via the Wayzata Hockey web site.

Non-residents of district #284, but whose player attends a school within the WYHA association boundaries, will need to submit school enrollment verification before they can be registered with WYHA.

Registration for returning players is August 1st through August 31st.

If your child is new to the program, you can register online or in person on September 10th at Plymouth Ice Center from 9:00am to 12:00pm in the Center Ice Room. However, existing WYHA families must register ALL players in their family online, returning AND new at the same time. Representatives from the Travel program will be available on September 10th to answer questions.

Online Registration deadline for **all** players is September 23rd, 2011.

Registration deadlines:

- August 31st for 'Returning' players
- September 23rd for 'New' players

Does my child have to be dedicated to participate in travel hockey?

The WYHA "A" and "B" travel programs are for those skaters who are serious about their development and designed to teach all kids the sport of hockey within their appropriate level of play.

How often do we have hockey? How many days per week?

Level	"A"	"B"	"C"
Squirts / 10U	4-5	4-5	1-2
Peewee's / 12U	4-6	4-5	1-3
Bantam's / 14U	5-6	5-6	2-3
Jr. Gold / 16U	4-5	4-5	No C program

Are we expected to attend all practices?

Yes. If you commit to travel A or B (B1 or B2) hockey, it is expected that you attend all team events, including practices, dryland, and games.

How long does the season run?

The regular season runs from early October to the end of February. SQT/10U regular season runs October to mid-March. If your team qualifies, Regional and State tournaments will run into mid-March.

What are District Games and Invitational Tournaments and when are they?

WYHA plays in Minnesota Hockey District games and various association invitational tournaments throughout the course of the season which usually commence a few weeks after the start of the season and concludes with District, Regional, or State Tournament play at the end of the season. Tournaments take place at various times throughout the season, which likely includes a Thanksgiving weekend tournament.

At what level do I register my child?

Players must register according to their birth date. Skate ups are not allowed. Please refer to the WYHA Age Level Policy for further clarification.

The travel hockey program is set up like any other sport program (soccer, baseball, etc.) where you play at the level according to your birth date.

Will my child be placed with other children from his/her school?

No. Players are placed on various teams based on the evaluation/try-out process.

Who participates and what are the evaluation/ try-outs for?

All players who register for travel hockey must participate in the evaluation/try-out process. Players are evaluated by independent evaluators as well as coaches at a given level. Based on the evaluations/try-outs, skaters and goalies are placed on a team. However, signing up for travel hockey and participating in the try-out process does not guarantee that your skater/goalie will be placed on an "A" or "B" travel team. Players who have not been selected for a travel team will be placed in the C-league.

Tryouts will be starting:

- Bantam: Sept. 25th for A pool and October 9th for the B pool
- Peewee: Oct. 2nd for A pool and October 9th for the B pool
- Squirt: October 25th
- 14U: October 17th
- 12U: October 2nd
- 10U: October 25th

Do I need the players' birth certificate to register?

Yes. According to USA Hockey rules, we cannot complete a registration without a copy of the players' official birth certificate. Hospital or baptismal certificates cannot be accepted.

If you registered your child with WYHA last year, we will have a birth certificate on file.

If you are new to the program, USA Hockey requires us to get and keep a copy of the child's birth certificate before processing the registration forms.

What is the refund policy if my child doesn't like it?

Tryout fees are non-refundable. A full refund (less admin fee) is available BEFORE tryouts; A Partial refund will be available if withdrawing during tryouts; NO REFUNDS will be issued upon team placement. Any applicable refunds will be prorated for ice time skated and \$50 Administration fees. All refunds must be requested **in writing** to the Registrar Team: Mark or Colleen Sivets at registrar@wayzatahockey.org

Required Equipment

Certified Helmet (Gold)

Shin pads

Elbow pads

Shoulder pads

Breezers

Mouth guard

Skates

Stick

Cup

Do I need to live in the Wayzata School District?

Youth Hockey players must register and participate with the association whose boundaries incorporate the player's residence. If a player desires to participate on a team from any other association, the player must obtain a waiver. WYHA will not accept registrations from families outside district 284 without a waiver. All registrations will be checked against district boundaries before being processed.

Public School open enrollment and private school enrollment within District #284 will require school enrollment verification to be submitted to the WYHA Registrar before registrations will be accepted.

Refer to MN Hockey's 2011-2012 Participation Rule for complete requirements.

What are the approximate fees for the season?

In addition to the initial registration payment, fees vary by team and level and are directly related to the number of hours the players are on the ice and other costs incurred by the team (team clothing, additional tournaments, team parties, etc.).

Season fees for the various levels are approximately as follows:

- Squirts - \$1,000
- Peewees - \$1,400
- Bantams - \$2,000
- Jr. Gold - \$1,400

What is the multi-skater discount?

Families who register ALL skaters (3 or more) in the program AT THE SAME TIME will receive a multiplayer discount. Three skaters = \$100; Four or more skaters = \$125. (minimite and HS/Tryout categories do not qualify towards the multiplayer discount.)

Scholarships

Limited scholarship funds are available for families needing special financial consideration. The WYHA Executive board will approve all scholarships. Please note that a family's participation in the school's reduced/free lunch program is the prime criteria for scholarship consideration.

Contact Colleen Sivets at registrar@wayzatahockey.org for a Scholarship Form or further information.

Payment Plans

Payment plans are not available. Initial registration fees for **all** players in the family are due at the time of registration. The players' team will assess families for additional team related fees periodically throughout the season.