

## **City League Program Overview**

AMHA has City League teams in the Novice, Atom, Pee Wee, Bantam, and Midget divisions. These teams are run by the division directors and overseen by the VP of Recreation.

At the beginning of the season player evaluation sessions take place which will aid in the equal division of players onto each division's City League teams. These evaluation sessions are mandatory and will take place in early September.

The city league teams are recreation teams with light travel schedules and small operating budgets. The city league teams practice and play home games mostly in Airdrie arenas. Our Pee Wee, Bantam and Midget City League teams play in the Rockies Hockey League with Cochrane, Okotoks, Canmore. All City teams are NON BODY CHECKING!

Novice and Atom teams will practice 1x per week on weekends and play games 1x per week on weekends. \*\*New this season\*\* Novice City and Atom City players will be able to register for AMHA Breakfast Club. This program will allow those players who would like to get extra training on weekday mornings to voluntarily register 10 week trial program at a cost of \$175 per player per session. This program will provide professional on ice instruction and coach training.

Pee Wee and Bantam players will receive 3 practices every two weeks, and Midget players 1 practice per week. Games will be mainly on the weekends with some exceptions. Players are encouraged to be committed to the team and endeavor to attend all practices, games and team activities.

Parent participation will be required for duties on the team such as fundraising, penalty box staff, 50/50, manager, treasurer, equipment manager, tournament co-ordinator etc.

Team families will decide on tournaments and extra exhibition games through team vote. If a majority vote is for any extra event then all players could attend and the team funds would pay for that event. Playing time for players and goalies in city league will be fair.

Coaches for city league teams are usually parent coaches.

Additional fees for City league will likely arise (not including the initial registration fee paid to register with AMHA).

These fees would not include the cost of hotels or travel for parents, should the team decide to go to tournaments or exhibition games. Team fundraising efforts could lower the team fees.

Additional city league team expenses might include

- 1. Tournament Registration Fees
- 2. Matching Team Socks
- 3. Ice and referee costs for exhibition games
- 4. Team supplies (first aid kit, coaching tools etc)