



MEMORANDUM

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TO: Member MHAs, Minor Hockey Leagues

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SUBJECT: Preferred pricing on Intro to Hockey Equipment

Hockey Alberta has now released its complete ***Intro to Hockey Model*** for all players aged 5-8 years (Initiation and Novice).

Effective for the **2019-20 season**, it will be mandatory that all games at the Intro to Hockey level are played on an ice surface size no larger than 100' by 85'. Blue four-ounce pucks are recommended.

With these changes looming, associations should be equipped to provide the best experience for Initiation and Novice players. Hockey Alberta has arranged for special preferred pricing for Ice Divider Systems, Initiation-sized nets, and Blue Pucks.

Please see the attached document outlining suppliers and preferred pricing options.



Intro to Hockey Equipment Pricing

Hockey Canada has approved national policies that mandate all Initiation-aged players receive age-appropriate programming on cross-ice or half-ice surfaces (effective for the 2016-17 season) and Novice-aged players for the 2019-20 season. A key aspect of each policy is that each of Hockey Canada's 13 branches can develop a provincial model that best meets the needs of its participants.

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Ice Dividers and Nets from Athletica Sport Systems

Divider System Type	Cost
12" Foam Divider*	\$1,500 + GST
22" Foam Divider*	\$3,285 + GST
Optimizer (Hard Board) Divider Set*	\$6,600 + GST
Initiation Sized Nets (3x4)	\$600 + GST/Pair

*All based on an 85' wide ice surface

Note: Prices **DO NOT** include shipping. A shipping estimate will be provided at the time of order. All orders must be submitted by **June 1** to receive promotional pricing and for the dividers to be delivered by the start of the hockey season. A member from your association must contact Athletica Sport Systems directly to order the dividers to provide the dimensions of your rink(s) and the correct delivery address. When ordering, please state that your association is a member of Hockey Alberta to ensure that you receive the promotional pricing. To order from Athletica Sport Systems, please contact:

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Four Ounce Blue Pucks from Official Game Puck Enterprises

It is not a requirement to use the blue four ounce pucks for Intro to Hockey, but it is recommended as the benefits can greatly improve player development for 5-8 year old players. Some of the benefits include:

- Allowing the players to manipulate, pass, and shoot easier.
- Teaching the goalie to react quicker.
- Allowing the players to be more creative with the puck.
- Let's the players experience the game as it is intended.
- More complete passes
- Increased pace of play

Hockey Alberta has received preferred tiered pricing from Official Game Puck Enterprises for the purchase of blank four ounce pucks. Please view the table below for pricing options:

Quantity	Price per Puck
24	\$1.65
48	\$1.55
100+	\$1.45

It has been confirmed that the lowest price per puck available is \$1.45 no matter how large the quantity is. If your association is interested in putting a logo on the puck, the cost will vary depending on intricacy and colours of the logo. Shipping costs are not included, and will vary depending on size of order and location.

To place an order for four ounce blue pucks from Official Game Puck Enterprises, please contact:

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