



GLOUCESTER CUMBERLAND

# Competitive Tryout Process

2026-27 Season

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# WELCOME & OVERVIEW

- Welcome to all athletes and families—we're glad you're here!
  - Expectations of the competitive program
- We recognize that tryouts can be both challenging and stressful experiences
  - Our goal is to place athletes on the team most suited for their skill level and development
- The full selection and tryout process is outlined on the GCRA website for your reference.
  - Our tryout process aligns with Ringette Ontario Team Formation Guidelines
- Athletes are expected to attend all tryout sessions where possible
- In accordance with Ringette Ontario policy, a minimum of one (1) on-ice tryout is required to be eligible for selection

# SELECTION PROCESS AND COMMUNICATION

- Following the first two tryouts, player selections and releases may begin.
- Communication will be sent via email to families as soon as possible regarding:
  - Advancement to the next stage, or
  - Release from the process
- Families may request feedback; however, please allow a few days for a response due to the high volume during tryouts.
- Requests for feedback should be sent to [vp\\_operations@gcra-ringette.ca](mailto:vp_operations@gcra-ringette.ca)

# PLAYER ELIGIBILITY

- AA teams: best available players selected (no roster composition requirements) (no limit to out of association players)
- A teams: roster composition and right-of-refusal rules are followed (home → current → choice)

4.4.2 Team composition must adhere to the chart below based on the number of home/current players. Players must follow the right of refusal pathway (home, current, choice).

Roster Size	U14A	U16A	U19A
	Home/Current Players	Home/Current Players	Home/Current Players
13 (minimum)	9	8	6
14	9	8	7
15	10	9	7
16	10	9	8
17	11	10	8
18	11	10	9

# PLAYER ELIGIBILITY

- Athletes from outside the association who have been with GCRA for 3 years are considered GCRA members and do not require a release.
- All other outside players must obtain a release from their home association if selected.
- Accepting a position on a GCRA team requires a full commitment, including:
  - Practices, games, and tournaments
  - Hubs, Provincials, Easterns/Nationals
  - Conditioning, extra ice, and training sessions
  - Team events and additional programming
- Commitment forms will be distributed at the first tryout.

# TRYOUT ENVIRONMENT

- Parents are asked to avoid sitting in the middle sections of the stands, as these are reserved for evaluators
- Please do not engage in conversation with evaluators during sessions
- Players are asked to wear generic equipment from their home association neutral
  - No Team Ontario insignia should be visible
- We ask that parents do not loiter at the registration table to help facilitate privacy

# OUR COMMITMENT

- All evaluators are trained on procedures to maintain a standardized evaluation process.
- Evaluators are selected mindfully to avoid any conflict of interest.
- Our evaluators use a system called TeamGenius, an app that tallies feedback and evaluation scores.
  - This system helps us to avoid errors and ensure consistent criteria is used and anomalies can be identified
- No identifying information is made available to evaluators other than jersey number and colour.
- Consideration for coaches' feedback is not accepted until the final tryout
- Final team selections are based on evaluator data and documented results



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**Thank You**

Questions

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