

GGHA 2025-26 Season - Rep Team Tryout Info

1. Registration

- **Online Registration Required:** All players must be registered online prior to the start of tryouts.
 - **Registration Link:** <http://glengarrygha.rampregistrations.com/>
 - **Registration Opens:** March 25
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2. Tryout Fees

- **Cost:** \$75 per level
 - This includes **two guaranteed ice times**.
 - **No refunds** will be issued for tryouts.
 - **Payment Details:**
 - A **\$75 fee is required for each level** a player is trying out for.
 - Example: If trying out for both U15 and U18, the total fee is \$150.
 - This fee covers ice time for two guaranteed tryout sessions per level.
 - **Multiple Level Tryouts:** The \$75 fee applies **per level**.
 - **Payment Method:**
 - Fees must be paid **in full before stepping on the ice**.
 - Send E-transfer to: gghatreasurer@outlook.com
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3. Attendance Expectations & Eligibility

- All players interested in joining a GGHA rep team are expected to **fully attend and participate** in scheduled tryouts.
 - If a player cannot attend any tryout session due to **injury, illness, or other reasons**, the **GGHA board must be contacted in advance**.
 - **Tier Requirements:**
 - Players are **not required to try out for a higher tier** (e.g., B) to be eligible for a lower tier (e.g., C).
 - Players may try out directly for the tier they are interested in.
 - **Playing Up an Age Group:**
 - Players may try out for **one age group above** their current level (e.g., U15 player trying out for U18).
 - This is permitted due to the small size of the association and to accommodate elite players in appropriate levels.
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4. Releases & Player Movement

- **Releases may begin after the second tryout session**, based on evaluator feedback and at the discretion of the GGHA board.
 - **Post-Tryout #1 Removal:**
 - The board may remove a player after the first tryout if it is determined they are not at the appropriate competitive level.
 - **A full refund** will be issued in this case.
 - **Exclusion from Future Sessions:**
 - Independent evaluators may **exclude certain players** from Tryout #2 or #3.
 - This decision is based on optimizing evaluation—not an indication that the player has been released or selected.
 - This helps reduce the number of participants for more effective evaluation.
 - **No refunds** for missed or excluded sessions, as only two sessions are guaranteed.
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5. Out-of-Association Players

- Players from outside GGHA must either:
 - Provide a **Permission to Tryout**
 - OR
 - Request a **release from their home club**
- **Note:** GGHA **cannot issue or process releases** from other associations.

Exceptions (No Release Required):

- **A)** Players transferring from a coed organization (e.g., Alexandria, EPR, NGS minor hockey) **and who have never registered with OWHA.**
- **B)** Players registering with **OWHA for the first time.**
- **Important:**
Players in scenarios A or B must **temporarily register with GGHA** for insurance coverage during tryouts and exhibition games.
 - *There is no additional fee* for this temporary registration.

6. Tryout Schedule Division

Please refer to the tryout schedule below for details specific to each division:

Division	Tryout 1	Tryout 2	Tryout 3	Location
U13 Rep	May 13, 2025	May 17, 2025	May 19, 2025	Cornwall Benson Centre
Time:	@ 7:30 PM	@ 9:00 AM	@ 6:15 PM	800 7 th Street W, Cornwall
U 15 Rep	April 26, 2025	April 27, 2025	April 29, 2025	Hawkesbury Sports Complex
Time:	@ 6:30 PM	@ 7:00 PM	@ 7:00 PM	425 Cartier Blvd, Hawkesbury

U18 Rep B	April 26, 2025	April 27, 2025	April 29, 2025	Hawkesbury Sports Complex 425 Cartier Blvd, Hawkesbury
Time:	@ 7:30 PM	@ 8:00 PM	@ 9:00 PM	
U18 Rep C	May 16, 2025	May 17, 2025	May 22, 2025	Hawkesbury Sports Complex 425 Cartier Blvd, Hawkesbury
Time:	@ 6:30 PM	@ 9:30 AM	@ 7:30 PM	

7. Post-Tryout Exhibition Games

The following exhibition games have been confirmed:

Division	Date	Time	Location
U13 Rep	May 27, 2025	@ 7:00 PM	Kemptville 285 County Rd 44, Kemptville
U15 Rep	May 11, 2025	@ 2:00 PM	Finch 4 John St., Finch
U18 Rep B	May 11, 2025	@ 3:00 PM	Finch 4 John St., Finch
U18 Rep C	TBD	TBD	TBD

8. Tryout Process & Team Selection

- **Independent evaluators** will assess all players during tryouts.
- By the **end of the third session**, they will identify:
 - The **top 8 players**
 - **Four bubble players**
- **Coach interviews** will take place **2–3 days after the third tryout session** (see *Coach Interview Dates* below).
- A **head coach** will be selected within **24 hours** after interviews are completed.

The appointed head coach will then:

- Select **2 of the 4 bubble players** to complete the initial roster
- Identify **2 additional players** (from tryouts) as potential team members

These additional players will be placed **on hold** until final roster numbers are confirmed in **August**. They are also encouraged to attend tryouts for other appropriate levels (e.g., **U18C**) to increase their placement opportunities.

U18B Exception

An exception has been granted for **two players at the U18B level** who were among the **top five players** from the 2024–25 team.

Due to unavoidable circumstances:

- These players will **miss the first two tryouts**
- They may also miss the **third session**, though efforts will be made to have them attend

To ensure fairness:

- **Six bubble players** will be identified for U18B, including the two absent players
- Based on their **past performance** and **commitment** to the association, the board feels they deserve a fair chance

The **tentative U18B roster of 10 players** is expected to be announced following the **exhibition game on May 11**

9. Tryout Format

- A combination of **skill sessions** and **scrimmages/exhibition games** will be used throughout the tryout sessions.
- **Additional practice or exhibition games** may be required to finalize team selection.
 - These **will not result in additional tryout fees**.

10. Season Expectations & Fees

- For the **2025–26 season**, an additional **rep fee of up to \$275** may be charged to cover increased ice time requirements as determined by the coach and team.
 - If applicable, this fee is due **before the team's first regular ice time**.
- **Travel Expectations:**
 - Rep teams compete in the **Greater Eastern Ontario area** and occasionally in **Gatineau**.
 - Teams should be prepared to travel for games on **weekends and weekdays** to locations such as:
 - Brockville
 - Smiths Falls
 - Carleton Place
 - Ottawa, etc.
- **Additional Team Fees:**

- May apply to cover tournament participation and other team-related costs.
 - Final team fees will be set by the **coach/team** once tournament schedules are confirmed.
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11. Player Evaluation Criteria

Skaters Will Be Assessed On:

- Skating ability
- Passing accuracy and technique
- Puck control
- Shooting skills
- Overall gameplay performance
- Hockey IQ during scrimmages

Goalies Will Be Assessed On:

- Positioning and stance
 - Reflexes and reaction time
 - Puck handling
 - Save techniques
 - Game performance
 - Ability to read plays and anticipate action
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12. Notification & Feedback

- All players will be notified of their tryout results by **blind-copied email** within **one week of the final tryout session (Tryout #3)**, unless extenuating circumstances cause a delay.
 - *Please check your junk/spam folder, as emails may be filtered there.*
 - **24-Hour Rule:**
 - Parents/guardians must wait 24 hours after the announcement before contacting the board.
 - **Feedback Exchange:**
 - On the **second day** after announcements, parents may email **ggha_president@hotmail.com** to request a feedback meeting.
 - This meeting will be held **within one week** of the request and will include:
 - GGHA board members
 - The player
 - A parent or guardian
 - One neutral observer to facilitate the conversation
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13. Final Notes

- Thank you to all players and families who participated in tryouts.
- We wish everyone a fantastic and successful **2025–26 hockey season!**