



St. John's Minor Hockey Association (SJMHA) - Tryout Process
(Applicable to All Star Teams - Effective September 1, 2024)

1. SJMHA is committed to a transparent tryout process.
2. All players registered for tryouts prior to the deadline will be placed on a team. The number of teams will depend on the number of registered players.
3. SJMHA will ensure that there is an appropriate number of skills and drills sessions and games for evaluations. This will be assessed prior to tryouts based on registration numbers. Please note that the bench coach will have no child trying out for an All-Star team in the same division in which they are the bench coach.
4. There will be one goalie evaluation session where a goalie evaluator will grade the goalies. The ranking will range from 1-5, with 5 being the highest. There are varying skill sets for forwards, defense and goalies which will be referenced with the players overall ranking.
5. Each game will be evaluated by a minimum of two independent evaluators, with every effort to use three evaluators where possible. Only evaluators can be in the evaluation room. The All-Star Director or Technical Director will not be with the evaluators when evaluations are occurring.
6. To be able to participate in evaluations, the evaluators, SJMHA staff, and board members will not operate any privately owned hockey schools or have a child in the same division in SJMHA as the one in which they are evaluating.
7. The evaluators will each assign an overall ranking to each player following every evaluation game and skills session.
8. The evaluators will use paper evaluations for the ranking of all players in all divisions. In the situation in which two or more children have an identical ranking, the evaluator's notes will be reviewed by the All-Star Director (or another non-conflicted Board member as appropriate) and Technical Director (as appropriate, where no conflict exists) to make a recommendation on how to rank the players.
9. The selection process will be solely based on the evaluators ranking. The SJMHA executive, Technical Director and coaches will have no influence on these rankings unless in the event of a tie as explained above.
10. The A, B, and C teams will be composed of 15 players and 2 goalies (where 2 goalies are possible).
11. At no time will the SJMHA executive release the results of the players ranking from tryouts. The All-Star Director and Technical Director can provide feedback on areas the evaluators feel there is a need for improvement.