

CANMORE MINOR HOCKEY

FAQ'S

REGISTRATION

When and how can I register? Registration for the upcoming season is open from June 1st to June 30th, 2023. After June 30th, players will be added to the waitlist only. Depending on registration numbers, we will invite players on the waitlist to register, and a late fee of \$100 will be charged for some programs.

Do you offer a payment plan? Yes, Initial fees can be broken down into four payments, the first being due at the time of registration (June 1st–30th). The remaining payments will be due on July 1st, August 1st, and September 1st, 2023. If the first payment is not made at the time of registration, the registration is not considered complete. **All initial fees must be paid by September 1st, or the registration will be removed and the money refunded (less the admin fee).**

What forms of payment are accepted? Credit Card and E-Transfer. If paying by e-transfer, please follow these instructions, then proceed with registration once the e-transfer has been sent and confirmed.

Where can I get a receipt? Please log into your [RAMP account](#). Under the menu section, you can view all past "registrations" and access your receipts to view, download, or print.

What is the CMHA refund policy? You can find [CMHA's Refund Policy](#) on our website, under the "Parents" tab.

What is my legal land address? Your legal land address is the coordinate address for rural property owners. For example, SW-21-24-29 W4. Your legal land address is NOT your 911 address or your physical address. This does not apply to residents in Canmore, Banff, Exshaw, Lac des Arcs, and Dead Man's Flats.

I am moving to Canmore in a few months; can I register my player? You can register your player once you have relocated to Canmore or within our boundaries. We can't accept a player until they physically reside within Canmore's boundaries.

If we want or need to transfer to Canmore from another association or from out of province, what do we need to do? There are two types of transfers to choose from. If you are relocating to Canmore, parents will need to complete the [Parent-Declaration Form](#) online with proof of residency. If you are not changing your physical address but your player ends up transferring associations, parents will need to complete the [Player Movement Form](#). This form is to be completed in full, along with approval/signature from the player's current association, and sent to Canmore Minor Hockey's [Registrar](#). The Registrar will complete the transfer process in the Hockey Canada Registry prior to the start of the season.

What division do I register my player in? Registration is based on a player's birth year. Visit the [Program Information](#) page on our website to learn about the options within each division.

What is the process if my player is going to tryout for a AA or AAA team this fall? The answer is dependent on which level of hockey they want to tryout for. Please visit [this page](#) on our website for more information. If you have further questions, please contact the host association (Airdrie/Cochrane).

If my player is a member of Canmore Minor Hockey and is trying out for AA and AAA, am I still required to register in Canmore? Yes, all players trying out for AA or AAA must still register with CMHA, as we can not guarantee registration after the June 30th deadline.

When is the conditioning camp schedule released, and if it conflicts with our schedule, will we get a refund? The conditioning camp schedule will be released sometime in the summer (as late as early August). Refunds will only be given in the event of an injury or if there is another player to register in their place.

Can my child be on the same team as his friends? While we try to accommodate those requests when we can, we can not guarantee that we can keep players together with their friends, as our priority is to create parity teams.

EQUIPMENT

What equipment does my player need? <http://canmorehockey.msa4.rampinteractive.com/content/equipment-requirements>

Does the association supply goalie equipment? Yes, the association has some goalie equipment to lend to teams for the season.

Does every player get a jersey? Yes, every player will be provided with a jersey for games. Jerseys will be cared for by the team's jersey manager(s), who will collect, wash, and distribute them for games.

RESPECT IN SPORT (RIS) & CERTIFICATIONS

What is the Respect in Sport-Parent Program? This online program needs to be completed by a parent every four years in order for their child to participate in hockey. For more information, please visit [this page](#) on our website.

If I have taken the RIS-Parent course for another sport or for another player, do I need to complete it again? If you have taken the course in the last four years, you can add your new player to your existing account by [clicking here](#), or contacting the Respect in Sport Help Desk at 1-866-956-9791.

How do I know if my RIS-Parent is still valid? You can check the status of your certification by heading to [this page](#).

COACHING

I would like to coach this season. What do I have to do? Have a look through the information on the [Coach page](#) on our website. Requirements differ depending on which position you will volunteer for as well as the credentials of the other team staff. Another requirement is to [create an HCR Account](#) if you do not already have one.

What is the Respect in Sport (RIS)-Activity Leader Program? This online course is a requirement for all team staff (Head Coaches, Assistant Coaches, and Managers). **This course must be completed before the team's first practice.** The RIS-Activity Leader course receipt and any other coach course receipts can be submitted for reimbursement through the CMHA Treasurer and/or Team Manager. This course is not the same as the RIS-Parent course.

EVALUATIONS

When do evaluations start? Evaluations start in early to mid September and run for approximately three weeks in total. Once evaluations are complete, teams will be formed (end of September or early October). More information can be found on the "Evaluations" tab on our [website](#).

Do player's get evaluated based on position? Not all divisions/evaluations are based on a player's position. If trying out for U13-U18 REP/CAHL, they do need to select a position for evaluations. Once a player has started evaluations, they cannot change their position.

When does a player start 'contact' hockey? Hockey Alberta states that 'contact' hockey can start at the U15 level. Within the U15 REP/CAHL and above age groups, tiered teams of 4+ are all non-contact.

PRACTICES AND GAMES

How many practices and games will my player get? This depends on what division and league your child is in. REP/CAHL and RMFHL teams typically have two practices per week, potentially one in Banff, and two games each weekend. RHL teams have one practice per week and one game each weekend. U9 teams practice twice per week and play one game each weekend, usually on Saturday. U7 teams practice twice weekly (Friday and Sunday) and play a few home exhibition games each season.

What days will my player have practice? The practice schedule is not determined until after teams are formed. Typically, U9 teams practice after school, with U11 teams following, and so on.

Will we have to pay more money during the hockey season? If your child's team decides they would like to participate in an out-of-town tournament, it will be up to the team to decide how those funds are raised (cash call, fundraising, volunteering). It is not mandatory to attend an out-of-town tournament. Some families may also choose to purchase Canmore Eagles gear (hoodies, tracksuits, etc.) at the start of the season. Apparel days and nights will be communicated to the membership via email. Other team expenses should be decided on as a team at either the parent meeting or via email through the season.

VOLUNTEERING

Do parents have to volunteer for hockey? Canmore Minor Hockey will use the 2023-2024 season as a trial run of the proposed bond system. We are a volunteer-run organization, and without the amazing efforts of our membership, we could not exist. We need coaches, managers, game day volunteers, and members to run CMHA tournaments, etc. You can find more information about how to get involved and become part of our hockey community on our website, under the "Volunteer Information" tab. We are grateful for your efforts to make sure our hockey family is healthy and connected.

INJURY

What happens if my player gets injured? Please refer to the information found at [this link](#). Parents will need to keep the Team Manager and Head Coach updated regarding the status/prognosis of the injury. If the injury is season-ending, please review [CMHA's Refund Policy](#). Every team must have at least one team staff member certified in the online Safety Program (valid for three years) as the go-to person for health, wellness, injury recognition, safe and proper recovery, and Return to Play procedures.