



# EHGA and Female Hockey Alliance FAQs

## Q 1. What is the Female Hockey Committee?

Hockey Edmonton formed the Female Hockey Committee (FHC). The FHC was mandated to review the structure of female hockey in Edmonton and make recommendations about how to advance at this critical time.

## Q 2. What changes are expected with the FHC?

The FHC has set a new direction for female hockey in Edmonton. The direction will see all female teams operating under one, new association.

## Q 3. When are these changes expected?

The FHC has created the Female Hockey Alliance initiative that will see a transition to this new female association starting in 2023-2024. All U13 teams (including 2 - U13AA teams) will operate under the FHC while they work to create the new board for this association. The FHC will also operate 1 - U9 tier 1 team and 1 - U11 HADP team in the 2023-2024 season.

## Q 4. When will the other divisions move over to this new structure?

The current plan is to move all U18 (AA, A and B), U15 (AA, A and B), U11 community, U9 community and U7 teams under the new association in the 2024-2025 season.

## Q 5. What if my daughter wants to try out for the U9 Tier 1, U11 HADP, U13AA, U15AA or U18AA team? Where do I register?

Players who wish to try out for the U9 Tier 1 or the U11 HADP teams will register for a tryout with FHC (details will come about registration processes). Only if your daughter is not successful (player is released from the tryout) would you then register with EGHA for the U9 or U11 community teams. Note: you cannot be registered with two associations at the same time.

Players who wish to try out for the U13AA teams will register with FHC (details will be provided when available). They will also register with the FHC for community teams if they are released from the U13AA tryout.

Players who wish to try out for the U15AA teams or the U18AA team will register with EFAC for their tryout. Only if the player is released will the player then register with EGHA for the community team.



Q 6. If tryouts continue past the early registration date, will I be required to pay the late registration fee?

Players who have registered for tryouts with the FHC or EFAC, but are released after the early registration deadline will be eligible for the early registration fee. EGHA will have a process outlined on our website to ensure that you are not penalized for the late registration.

Q 7. When will registration open?

Registration details are to come for EGHA, EFAC and the FHC.

Q 8. How does the FHC impact females playing on co-ed teams?

There is no impact to co-ed teams. Female players will still have the option to play on a co-ed team.

Q 9. Will other associations continue to offer all-female programming?

No. All-female teams will be offered only by the new association created by the FHC.

Q 10. Are there branding and logos in place for the new association?

Logos are yet to be designed, but branding is in place. The teams will be referred to as:

Edmonton Ice for elite hockey

Edmonton Storm for community hockey

Edmonton Flurries for the U7 Initiation program

Q 11. How will we be able to volunteer for this new association? Or to coach?

A google form will be shared soon with an opportunity to submit an expression of interest to volunteer with the new association. The FHC is looking for volunteers who are passionate about female hockey. Details about coach selection will be shared as they become available.