WELCOME TO THE 2025 SEASON OF EDMONTON INLINE



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- Equipment
- Overview of Procedures
 - Changes
- Coaches (Certification and Background Checks)
- Events and Western Nationals
- Team Alberta / National Teams

Edmonton Inline Executive 2025



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UNITED CYCLE









EQUIPMENT

- Goalie equipment is available for \$100.00 deposit. Included is goalie pads, chest protector, catcher and blocker.
- A Payment can be in the form of cash, E-transfer or cheque. All cheques will be cashed. A refund will be given at the end of the season when the equipment is returned.
- Goalies are responsible for providing their own goalie stick and face mask.
 CATS EYE goalie masks are not allowed.
- First Aid kits can be obtained from the scorekeeper of your game.
- ❖ Rental Skates for 7-10 year olds available for \$100 deposit which is returned when skates are returned at end of season.

Overview of Procedures

- Dressing Rooms
- Respect of Officials
- Performance Bond
 - Fines for Forfeits NEW
- Updated Suspension Guidelines
- Team Blackout dates
- Exhibition Games and Tournaments form
- Affiliation Rules

Dressing Rooms

- •To obtain keys to a dressing room at the Soccer Centre's and City Rinks you must leave car keys as insurance that the room key will be returned. In every facility there is an attendant on duty who will give you the key.
- •NO ONE is allowed to wear skates in the lobby of any facility. The only exception is when travelling a direct route from the change room to the surface.
- •Rooms should be clean when you enter and also when you leave. Make sure all tape, paper, etc. is placed in the garbage cans. Please ensure that all taps are off and spilled water has been wiped up with towels.

If you find that the room has not been properly cleaned by the group who used it prior to your team entering,

TELL THE ATTENDANT IMMEDIATELY.

If nothing is said prior to your team entering the room, you may find that your team is fined unfairly.

Respect for Officials

The Top 2 reasons Officials don't return:

- 1. Verbal, Mental and Physical Abuse
- 2. Lack of games

We all control reason one! No Refs=No Games

- Officials can be as young as 14 and refereeing for the first time.
- Officials are human and will miss things, yelling and screaming at them won't change that
- We will listen to feedback on officials, 24 hrs after the game

We want the game to be fun for everyone, including our officials. Abuse of an official can lead to disciplinary action from penalties, to ejection to banning.

U15-Adult Performance Bond

- All teams in these categories pay a performance bond as part of their registration:
 - \$150 for U15
 - \$300 for all other divisions
- If the performance bond is not used it will be refunded at the end of the year to the Head Coach.
- Performance bonds are used to pay for fines assessed throughout the season.

Fines

- i) **First fight** will result in a \$150.00 fine and a two-game suspension.
- ii) **Second fight** will be suspension from the league for the remainder of the season. A \$300.00 performance bond will be required before the player can play again.
- iii) **Abuse of an Official** will be penalized by \$150.00 fine and a minimum two game suspension.
- iv) **Match on an Official** can be a lifetime ban when reviewed by league. If the player is allowed to register in the future the player must post a \$300.00 performance bond before he plays.
- v) Match on another Player will receive \$100.00 fine and a two-game suspension.

Playoff Rule Updates

Playoffs Rule Updates

- 6.3 Teams that do not have enough players to field a team (less than 6 players) or that **default** a game during league play will be subject to a fine of \$100.00. In the playoffs, this fine will be doubled to \$200 if less than 3 hours notice is given. This fine will be given to the opponent of the offending team.
- 11.5 All players over the Age of 18 will be required to show photo identification for all playoff games. If ID unavailable player will not be eligible to play.

Team Blackout/No Play Requests

- If your team plans on attending any tournaments, or has a significant amount of players not available that will make you unable to field a team (I.E grad). These dates must be communicated to your Director by the following dates:
 - For 1st round Blackout dates need to be communicated to your Director by April 13th, 2025 at noon
 - For 2nd round Blackout dates need to be communicated to your Director by May 11th, 2025 by end on day
 - No blackout dates will be allowed for Playoffs
- If your team has not submitted by these dates schedule accommodations will not be able to be made for you.



EXHIBITION GAMES AND TOURNAMENTS

- Before playing exhibition games or tournaments you must have permission from your director.
 Directors and league officials must know when, where, and who your team is playing in order to make your insurance coverage valid
- Forms are available online. For each event please complete a form and submit it to your category director.
- http://www.edmontoninline.ab.ca/form/295

Affiliation of Players

- If you are missing a player for a game, you may use an affiliated player.
- Rules for affiliation are as follows:
 - There must be an open spot on your roster except in the case of a goalie.
 - They must be drawn from the age group below.(
 i.e. U15 can affiliate U13)
 - In the case of 9U and Adult the affiliated player can be from the tier below.
 - Inform the scorekeeper of the fact you are using an affiliate and check to make sure that AFP has been entered behind the name of the player you are using for that game.

Affiliation of Players for Playoff Games

❖ For playoff games only, **ALL** affiliated players must have written confirmation (e-mail or text) from the Category Director to participate in that game.

Failure to receive written confirmation may result in a default game.



When looking for an affiliate to play in your game remember:

- The only players eligible to play will be players already registered and in the system and have fully paid their fees.
- Unregistered players are not allowed to play.
- Deadline for registrations is **May 11, 2025**.
- Late registration: call Crystal at **780-964-9346** or e-mail **Info@Edmontoninline.ab.ca**

Rental Surface Availability

Booking surface can be done at the following:

• 1. City of Edmonton Phone: 780- 442- 4546

• e-mail: <u>arenabookings@edmonton.com</u>

• 2. Edmonton Soccer Centers Phone: 780-413-4125 ext 1

• e-mail: <u>bookings@esaf.ca</u>

• 4. Tri-Leisure – Spruce Grove Phone: 780-948-3210.

• e-mail: bookings@trileisure.com



Everyone associated with your team has responsibilities:

Your role as a **COACH** is to encourage respect for the rules, the other team and the officials.

The role of the **PARENT** is to cheer and be supportive of their child when they play.

The role of the **PLAYER** is to follow your rules, play hard and have fun playing the game.

Coaching Requirements for Youth (U9 – U18)

1. Must Register online as a coach.

https://www.rampinteractive.com/registration/v3/?c=d1d9090d240d

2. Complete background check

AMRHA will recognize all types of background checks. Police/RCMP, Triton, Hockey Canada, etc. The coaches registration program will ask the individual a series of questions to get the information needed to prove they have had a check. There is a direct link to Triton available on RAMP. We will accept background checks for up to two years.



AMRHA Coaching Reference Document

<u>Objective:</u> Provide further understanding of roller hockey as a sport and clear up misconceptions that typically happen within the games.

How the game is played:

- Roller hockey is played 4 on 4 (plus a goalie)
- Rosters may have up to a maximum of 14 players 12 skaters and 2 goalies
- Benches may have up to 4 team officials provided they are named on the roster
 - For insurance reasons, every youth and junior division team must have someone 21 years of age or older on the bench at all times.
- Games are either played in 18 minute stop-time or 22 minute run-time halves
- Teams will start on the end opposite to their bench

Equipment:

- Mandatory equipment includes a helmet with a full face mask (except adult divisions where a
 visor is mandatory), shin pads (has to be covered), elbow pads (has to be covered), jock strap,
 hockey gloves, and protective pants or girdle (has to be covered).
 - Note that helmets must be CSA approved. Removal or adjustment of the helmets, including removing protective ear guards, are not permitted and will result in an inability to play and/or minor penalty for illegal equipment being assessed.
- If a player's helmet falls off, that player must exit the playing surface immediately. Failure to do so will result in a minor penalty for illegal playing equipment.
- Goalies are required to have a towel at their net in order to have a water bottle on top. Some leagues that have tile surfaces do not permit water bottles on the nets at any point.
- All slots on a player's skate chassis must be filled. They are not allowed to come on to the surface with missing wheels. However if a wheel breaks during warmup or in the game that player may continue the game, but the empty slot must be in the middle of the skate chassis.
- Goaltenders are exempt from this rule as goaltenders are allowed to participate with one wheel
 missing on their skate chassis to allow for pad straps.

Playing Rules:

Roller hockey is a no checking sport. However, body contact is permitted. This will be determined
by the referee based upon the intent of the play. If a player makes contact with another player
with no intent to play the puck, a body checking penalty will be assessed. Players will be
permitted to use their body to battle for the puck provided that the intent is to play the puck.

- Due to the no checking nature of the sport, referees tend to allow more stick battles to happen
 provided that the intent of the play is to battle for the puck. Any stick that makes contact with
 the hands will result in a minor penalty based on the nature of the contact. 90 degree up and
 down slashes to the stick will remain called as slashing, even if contact with the puck occurs.
- Players are not permitted to turn their stick over and handle the puck with the toe of their stick.

 Doing so will result in a minor for illegal handling of the puck.
- Roller hockey does not have a follow through rule. Players must be in control of their sticks at all
 times and therefore any high stick that occurs on the follow thru of a shot will result in a high
 sticking minor penalty, or major penalty should an injury occur.

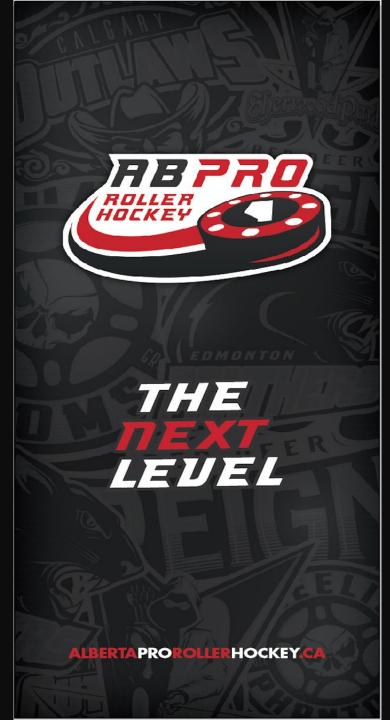
Goalie Covering the Puck Rule: AMRHA is aware that programs have the right to adjust rules (to accommodate skill level and game play) from the Roller Hockey Canada Rulebook V5 in their league play. However, in the interest of player safety this is how the following situation will be taught to all Provincial Referees.

- Goalies freezing the puck also has limitations. Referees are trained to have the game continue
 and if no one from the opposing team is around the goalie should feel confident in playing the
 puck. However, If the goaltender chooses to freeze the puck for a whistle that is their right, and
 the faceoff or start of play should take place in their end.
- Officials are instructed to provide some leniency when calling too many men penalties during
 player changes. Some players can find it difficult to stop on their wheels and will take wider turns
 to change at the bench. If the player has no intention of playing the puck

Communication with referees:

- Penalized players are not allowed to discuss a call while being assessed. Should a player have a
 question about their penalty, they may ask a referee after the completion of their penalty.
- Coaches and players may ask referees to explain what they saw on their calls. However, rule 47
 of the Roller Hockey Canada rulebook states that any use of the following will result in a penalty:
 - The use of obscene, profane, or abusive language or gestures to any person.
 - Persistent disputing or showing disrespect for the ruling of any official (including off-ice officials, such as timekeepers or league representatives).
 - NOTE: these rules do not stop referees from explaining calls. If you have questions, you
 may still respectfully ask them. Additionally, a referee does not have to assess any prior
 calls to apply a more severe penalty, such as a misconduct, game misconduct, or gross
 misconduct.

Event	Date	Location	Groups
	April 6 th	Clairview Arena Lvl1	Level I
Edmonton Referee Clinic	April 11th	Terwilliger Arena Lvl2	Level II
Martin Yonge Ice Breaker Tournament	April 12 th and 14th	Edmonton (Soccer East and South)	Ages 7 to U18
Team Alberta Main Camp	May 3rd	Red Deer Kinsmen	Birth years 2016 - 2007
Battle on Wheels	May 30 th – Jun 1st	Red Deer	U11 – U18
Provincials Lethbridge Alberta	June 20 th – 22 nd	Lethbridge	TBD U11-U18
Alberta Pro League	June 28/29, July 4-6	Ardrossan	Pro
Alberta Iron Man Tournament	July 5-6th	Ardrossan Rec Complex	U11-U18
State Wars 24	July 22nd to Aug 4th	Taylor Michigan	Team Alberta Teams



AB Pro Roller Hockey

- Come watch the best Roller Hockey in Alberta and Inspire your Athletes
- 6 games per day, with 6 different teams playing.
- Two weekends of games in Edmonton Area
- June 28th and 29th in Ardrossan from 10am-7pm both days
- Playoffs and Championship (alongside the AMRHA Iron Man Tournament) and televised on ESPN/TSN2 July 4-6th





2025 Team Alberta Tryouts

- DATE: May 3rd, Red Deer Kinsmen
- players receive 2 hrs of surface time and practice jersey

Note: If enough players attend tryouts Team Alberta will be putting together multiple teams in the various age groups

GOT OUTGROWN SKATES GATHERING DUST?

- AMRHA sponsors TRY-It clinics around the province.
- They provide the skates, surface and instruction to young people around the province who wish to try out the sport of inline hockey.
- AMRHA does not have enough of the correct sizes for large clinic groups.
- If you have skates that are not being used, they could be put to good use.
- Donations will be accepted at the Ice Breaker Tournament.