



MANDATORY SHOULDER PAD FAQ



Q. What kind of shoulder pads can I use?

A: As per the Edmonton Ringette Policy, shoulder pads are required to have plastic (not just foam) protecting chest, shoulder, back & upper arms. Any shoulder pads that meet this requirement will be accepted.

Q: We are not a part of Edmonton Ringette, but come to play in Edmonton (league games and/or tournaments) – do I have to wear shoulder pads?

A: If you are a visiting team from outside Edmonton and your home Association does not require you to wear shoulder pads, you will not be required to wear shoulder pads while playing in Edmonton. For all teams under Edmonton Ringette, shoulder pads will be required for all games, home and away.

Q: How will the shoulder pad requirement be enforced?

A: The enforcement of shoulder pad requirements is a key responsibility of team staff. Coaches, managers, and other team officials are required to ensure that all athletes are equipped with the proper protective gear, including shoulder pads, as mandated by the Edmonton Ringette Board of Directors. If there are any issues beyond the team's control regarding compliance with this equipment rule, it is important to note that failure to adhere to these requirements can lead to disciplinary actions from Edmonton Ringette. Referees are not responsible for equipment compliance.

Q: We are an Edmonton Ringette team and are travelling out of town for a game(s) where shoulder pads are not mandatory, do we still have to wear them?

A: Yes. If you are part of an Edmonton Ringette team, you will be required to wear shoulder pads wherever you are playing.

It is Edmonton Ringette's goal to provide a safe but competitive environment for all its athletes. If anyone has any further questions about the Mandatory Shoulder Pad policy feel free to email: admin2@edmontonringette.com