



Edmonton Ringette Club Information



ERC EVALUATION REGISTRATIONS

<http://edmontonringetteclub.rampregistrations.com/>

Early bird tryout registration \$125 from June 15 - July 15, 2024

Regular tryout registration \$175 starts July 16, 2024

Late registration after evaluations have started - contact the technical director at techdirector@edmontonringetteclub.com

EVALUATION SCHEDULE

Prior to the start of tryout sessions ice times will be emailed to you and posted on the [Edmonton Ringette Club website](#) (by August 12, 2024)

U14 AA Aug. 26-29, 2024

U16 AA Aug. 26-29, 2024

U19 AA Aug. 28-Sept 2, 2024

WAM Aug. 24-Aug.28, 2024

REGISTRATION FEES

Registration fees for the 2024/25 season are \$1,200 for all AA teams.

We have a matching fund for families who qualify for KidSport and/or Jumpstart to support our members.

U14/U16/U19 Edmonton residents wanting to play with the ERC are asked to register through [EFCLRA](#). If selected for an ERC team, the athlete's family will be asked to submit the **difference** between the EFCLRA registration and ERC registration.

EVALUATION DETAILS

Separate tryouts will be held for U14AA, U16AA, U19AA, and WAM.

Out of respect for our tryout process, athletes should only register for evaluations if they intend to play with the Edmonton Ringette Club.

All U14 aged players please attend UAA (Universal Athlete Assessment) with your local association. Edmonton Federation Ringette dates for UAA's are Aug. 24/25, 2024.

Please arrive a minimum of 30 minutes before each evaluation skate to check in and receive an evaluation jersey. Please return the jersey after each ice time.

NON-RESIDENT PLAYERS

Non-resident players will be considered for selection, depending on the availability of Edmonton resident players to effectively compete at the AA level.

Non-resident players must evaluate within the top 65% of the team roster size, with some regard for positional needs and position-specific rankings [Team Selection Policy 2024](#)

All players are subject to Ringette Alberta Policies with regards to player movement and releases, and all applicable principles outlined within those policies.

TEAM FORMATION & ATHLETE SELECTION

Team rosters will consist of 13 – 15 skaters, and 1 – 2 goalies, unless there are extenuating circumstances that would justify a larger or smaller team roster.

Players will participate in drills and gameplay, and will be evaluated on their skating skills, ring skills, game sense, competitive drive, and sportsmanship.

Goalies will participate in drills and gameplay and will be evaluated on their mobility, ring distribution, tracking, angles, positioning, competitive drive, and sportsmanship. There *may* be a separate Goalie evaluation ice time scheduled if there are more than 2 goalies trying out for a division.

Independent evaluators with experience and knowledge about competitive ringette will assess players and goalies.

The final team roster will be selected by the Head Coach with oversight from the ERC Board. Rosters will be announced within 24 hours of the final tryout.

EVALUATION FORMAT

There will be 3 or 4 scheduled evaluations, and all registrants are guaranteed participation in the first 2 evaluation skates. After the **first 2 tryouts**, prospective athletes will be selected to move forward to the 3rd and 4th tryout (if necessary). Names of players advancing to the 3rd and 4th tryout will be [posted](#) within 24 hours of the last tryout.

If a player will miss tryouts because of illness, injury, or family emergency, please email the head coach directly and refer to the [Player Injury Policy](#).

If you are not able to attend a tryout for any other reason please text the head coach as soon as possible so adjustments to the line up can be made.

DRESSING ROOM GUIDELINES

All athletes will have access to the common areas of the change rooms

No parents are allowed inside of the dressing rooms, if players require assistance with their skates or other equipment the parents can help them in the hallway/lobby.

We ask the athletes to wear a base layer (shorts, leggings, sports bra etc) while in the common areas of the change rooms at all times.

Cell phone use inside the dressing room is prohibited, if you need to use your phone please step into the hallway.

Thank you for helping us foster a safe and inclusive environment for all of the players.

TIME COMMITMENT

Players can expect to attend team events approximately 4-5 times per week.

This will include, practices, games, approximately 5 tournaments per season plus provincials and westerns/nationals, dryland, mental performance training, sports nutrition sessions, and team building activities.

We encourage players to augment their development with additional power skating from the provider of your choice. ERC will be offering 6 sessions with Mel Thomas Performance, Monday mornings 6:30-7:30 am @ Kinsmen Arenas or Terwillegar Rec Center from September-December 2024. This programming is optional, and is provided at an additional cost to players who choose to participate. Priority registration will be given to ERC players.

The ERC understands athletes should prioritize family and school over ringette and encourages multi-sport athletes, particularly at the U14 level. That said, the ERC is a competitive AA ringette

program and players are required to have a commitment appropriate to this level of competition. Please discuss any potential scheduling conflicts with the head coach prior to evaluations.

TEAM STAFF

[Coach Selection Policy](#)

TEAM VS CLUB FUNDRAISING

The ERC is a small organization and we try to keep our fees as low as possible. It is important that our membership contributes to fundraising efforts at both the team and club level. These activities raise important funds for the teams and the ERC but also are a great way to support team building and allow families to get to know each other.

The amount and type of team fundraising is determined by the team staff.

Examples of team fundraising:

- Bottle drives
- Raffle draws or baskets
- Pub nights
- Sponsorship
- Product selling

The ERC general club fundraising:

- Casino (November 2025)
- Bingos (approximately 2-3 per team per year)
- Wood Tournament & Silent Auction 50/50 Raffle

VOLUNTEERING

ERC is a not-for-profit sport organization and we rely on volunteers to run the organization and ensure quality programming is provided.

Our membership is asked to hold volunteer positions at both the Club level and team level.

Team roles include: Wood Tournament Committee, Treasurer, Fundraising, Travel and Food Coordinators; Video Coordination, Social media rep. Etc.

Club roles include: Wood tournament committee lead, website and social media, newsletter, banquets, etc.

FOOD AT TOURNAMENTS

The ERC teams plan team meals at away tournaments. These meals are a way to provide healthy nutrition and to save on costs. The team manager with consultation with the head coach will support parent volunteers in developing a plan for each tournament weekend. Parent volunteers will buy and prepare food for each tournament weekend. Generally, the ERC Travel Committee arranges accommodations for tournaments where most or all ERC teams are

attending, with kitchenettes or group rooms to allow easy meal preparation by parent volunteers.

TEAM BUDGETS

Additional team fund requirements depend on a number of factors depending on the composition of the team budgets. Factors include number/location of tournaments, dryland activities, supplemental training, team building activities and team fundraising efforts.

The Team Treasurer, in consultation with the Head Coach and Manager, will draft a team budget for presentation to and discussion with families.

PLAYER APPAREL/EQUIPMENT/FAN WEAR

The ERC will be lending 2 practice and 2 game jerseys for each player and goalie.

PRACTICE and GAME pants can be rented or purchased.

U14/U16/U19 players will require a black helmet and black gloves are recommended. WAM players will require a blue helmet.

New U14/U16/U19 ERC players are provided a jacket and equipment bag. New coaches/managers will receive a jacket OR backpack.

Required player apparel (warm up shirt x2, sweatshirt and 2 name bars) will be purchased through the ERC's online store.

The total cost for the required ERC apparel is approximately \$125 - \$150. Name bars are \$20 each plus an additional \$10 to have the name bars professionally installed and removed.

The ERC will operate an online store providing players, coaches, and fans an opportunity to purchase additional ERC apparel items and fanwear.

GOALIE EQUIPMENT AND DEVELOPMENT

All ERC goalies shall be entitled to submit receipts for goalie equipment. The ERC will reimburse the goalie for 50% of equipment costs to a maximum of \$500.

ERC will cover the cost of group goalie training of all ERC goalies in U14-U19 for all programming contracted by the ERC (eg. 5-Count).

ERC will reimburse each team in U14-U19 up to \$1500/season for individual outside training, or to hire a specialized goalie instructor for in-practice training.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The AGM is an event all members are required to attend to ensure members are aware of important ERC initiatives and governance requirements. The AGM is typically early to mid October and the Board will provide members the date at least 21 days in advance, once ice schedules are finalized.

The club is a small association so participation on the board, or in the other volunteer roles, is vital to ongoing operation and success. Our membership contains people with many different skill sets and we'd encourage you to consider volunteering for a Board position. The current Board will help you learn and transition into the role!

ERC POLICIES

The ERC has adopted a comprehensive set of policies that directly align with Ringette Alberta's policy requirements. The ERC is governed by by-laws, and has adopted other operating policies including evaluation, travel, and team formation. See www.edmontonringetteclub.com for additional details.

On behalf of the ERC thank you for attending evaluations and wish the very best of luck to each athlete and the upcoming ringette season.

Sincerely,

The ERC Board