

Canadian Player Pathway



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How a player gets that first experience of goaltending in hockey is crucial.

If a beginner has fun while developing the fundamental skills and building confidence in their ability to perform those fundamental skills, there is a strong probability that player will go on to enjoy goaltending and hockey for many years.

INTRODUCTION



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Whoever said those words took the pulse of a nation that has had a long and storied love affair with hockey

Hockey is Canada and Canada is hockey.

Let's face it — hockey is a touchstone of Canadian life. It is Canada's national theatre and it is the chatter of the country. Hockey is more than a sport for Canadians, it is a part of the country's heart and soul.



VISION: WORLD SPORTS LEADERS



Goaltending is a critical aspect of team play and requires direct & consistent unique coaching skills.



As forwards and defenders get specific coaching for their respective positions, goalies require the same attention and guided skill development.

The main goal is to make the beginner's first impression of goaltending a good one! When Players get started on a positive note they automatically enjoy the game and usually go on to have fun playing hockey for many years

The Hockey Canada Goaltending Development program consists of 3 levels:

- **❖** Community: Introducing players and coaches to the position of goaltending
- **❖ Developmental:** Formalizing instruction for players that have committed to the position and coaches that specialize in teaching the position
- **❖ <u>High Performance</u>**: Refining the skills and teaching methods for **High Performance Goaltending**



THE OBJECTIVES OF THE PROGRAM

- To learn the basic skills required to play the position of goaltender.
- To develop an understanding of the basic skills to become a goaltender
- To create and refine basic motor patterns and athleticism to have success as a goaltender
- To develop self-confidence and experience personal achievement within a positive team atmosphere.

Recommendations



Minor Hockey Associations to offer "Try Goaltending "sessions to give players a chance to try the position

***** U12

Minor Hockey Associations to have an association goaltending coach offer goaltending instruction through small group training sessions to coaches and players

U14 – U17

An Association goaltending coach to guide the developmental process of goaltenders. Teams could have their own goaltending coaches through the association or an association goaltending coach would over see the development of all rep level goaltenders



THE OBJECTIVES OF THE GOALTENDING PATHWAY

- Introduce players to the position
- Introduce fundamental goaltending skills to coaches and young goaltenders
- Develop an enhanced goaltending program through the use of trained / qualified goaltending coaches.



WHAT IS THE GOALTENDING PATHWAY? It is recommended that minor hockey associations offer "Try Goaltending" sessions to give players

Minor Hockey Associations should have "Try Goaltending "Sessions

a chance to try the position

FUNDAMENTAL (INITIATION & NOVICE ALL CONSIDERED FUNDAMENTAL)

INITIATION: AGE 5-6

12

10

PLAYOFFS No playoffs End of season March 31

TOURNAMENTS 3 Festivals/ Jamborees 12 modified games

TOTAL PRACTICES: 35 - 45 TOTAL GAMES: 15-25

CONSIDERATIONS:

- Blue 4 Oz pucks
- Cross Ice / Half Ice-Games
- No full time goalies (no goalie equipment)
- Multiple station work
- Jamborees / Festivals 3 on 3 / 4 on 4 / 5 on 5 cross ice or half ice - Everyone plays goal

Ideally 2 Practices per week

- Agility / Balance / Coordination
- skating skills all benefit future

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Small Nets
- · Ball hockey / Floor hockey as additional activities

NOVICE: AGE

DEVELOPMENT PHASE

10 20 PRACTICES GAMES **REGULAR SEASON** PHASE

16 32 16 (modified games first half / full ice second half)

PLAYOFFS No playoffs End of season March 31 TOURNAMENTS 3 tournaments 12 games

TOTAL PRACTICES: 45 - 55 TOTAL GAMES: 30 - 40

CONSIDERATIONS:

- Blue 4 Oz pucks first half / Regulation 6 oz black pucks in second half
- No full time goalies -Everyone takes turn playing
- Multiple station work
- Jamborees / Festivals for Tournaments - 3 on 3 / 4 on 4 / 5 on 5 cross ice or half ice in first half -Everyone plays goal
- Regular game tournaments in second half

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- · Small Nets / Regular Nets
- · Ball Hockey / Floor Hockey / Floor Ball as additional activities
- · Ideally 2 Practices per week play goal the practice before the
- · Rotate all players through all positions no early specialization

Players will begin thinking about becoming a full time goaltender graduating into Atom



It is recommended that minor hockey associations have an association goaltending coach offer goaltending instruction through small group training sessions or a coach assigned on a team to assist and develop the goaltenders.

COMMUNITY

DEVELOPMENTAL

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATIONS HAVE AN ASSOCIATION GOALTENDING COACH OFFER GOALTENDING INSTRUCTION THROUGH SMALL GROUP TRAINING SESSIONS OR A COACH ASSIGNED ON A TEAM TO ASSIST AND DEVELOP THE GOALTENDERS.

PRACTICES EXHIBITION

16

PLAYOFFS Mar 15 – 30 Playoff Tournaments March 31 end of season TOURNAMENTS 3 tournaments 12 games

TOTAL PRACTICES: 25 - 30 TOTAL GAMES: 25 - 35

- CONSIDERATIONS: Tryouts 5 skates then evaluate / 3 practices / 2 Inter-squad games
 - · Small Area Games in Practice
 - Skill based practices
- · Full time goaltenders Goalie not playing in games plays out
- · Rotate all players through all positions - no early specialization
- Goaltenders are beginning to take on the role of goaltender Full Time.
- If 2 Goaltenders on the team, the back up goaltender should consider playing out vs sitting out
 - · Goaltenders should be splitting the games or alternating equally

DEVELOPMENT

PRACTICES EXHIBITION

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TOTAL GAMES: 35 - 45 TOTAL PRACTICES: 45 - 55

CONSIDERATIONS:

- Tryouts 5 skates then evaluate / 3 practices / 2 Inter-squad games
- · Small Area Games in Practice
- Skill based practices
- Full time goaltenders Goalie not playing in games can still play out
- · Rotate all players through all positions - no early specialization
- · Establish equal playing time for all goaltenders at this level.
 - A predictable alternating schedule is recommended
- It is recommended at this stage to choose your position of Goaltender if you are entertaining the



It is recommended at this level an association goaltending coach guide the developmental process of goaltenders. Teams could have their own goaltending coaches through the association or an association goaltending coach would over see the development of the rep level goaltenders through separate practice sessions



DEVELOPMENT PHASE

REGULAR SEASON **PHASE**

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TOTAL PRACTICES: 30 - 35 **TOTAL GAMES: 25 - 35**

CONSIDERATIONS:

Prep Camp: 2 Weeks 8 - 10 sessions 1 60 minute session per day

Tryouts: 5 skates then evaluate 2 practices / 3 Inter-squad games

- · Multiple station work
- Skill Based Practices
- · Small Area Games in practice
- Tournamentstyleplayoffsvsrounds
- · Goaltenders should be splitting time in goal with the option of splitting games or playing Defence or Forward Position
- If there are 2 full time goaltenders they should be splitting the games or alternating with a predictable schedule.

DEVELOPMENTAL

DEVELOPMENT PHASE

REGULAR SEASON PHASE

PLAYOFFS April 1 - 15 Playoff Tournaments April 16 end of season TOURNAMENTS

4 tournaments 16 games

TOTAL PRACTICES: 55 - 60 | TOTAL GAMES: 45 - 50

CONSIDERATIONS:

Prep Camp: 2 Weeks 8 - 10 sessions 1 60 minute session per day

Tryouts: 5 skates then evaluate 2 practices / 3 Inter-squad games

- · Multiple station work
- · Skill Based Practices
- · Small Area Games in practice
- · Tournamentstyleplayoffsvsrounds
- · Established equal playing time for all goaltenders at this level.
- A predictable alternating schedule is recommended and to be communicated



This is the beginning stage of the High Performance Goaltending Development Model

COMMUNITY

DEVELOPMENT PHASE

4 8 2
WEEKS PRACTICES EXHIBITION GAMES

REGULAR SEASON PHASE

24 24 20 GAMES

PLAYOFFS
Mar 15 - 30 Playoff Tournaments
March 31 end of season
TOURNAMENTS
3 tournaments
12 games

TOTAL PRACTICES: 30 - 35 | TOTAL GAMES: 35 - 40

CONSIDERATIONS:

Prep Camp: 2 Weeks 8 – 10 sessions – 1 60 minute session per day

Tryouts: 5 skates then evaluate 2 practices / 3 Inter-squad games

- 1 Dedicated Skill Practice per week
- · 2 Seasonal Breaks (School Breaks)
- · TournamentStylePlayoffsvsrounds
- Established equal playing time for all goaltenders at this level.
- A predictable alternating schedule is recommended and to be communicated

DEVELOPMENTAL

DEVELOPMENT PHASE

12 4
EKS PRACTICES EXHIBITION GAMES

REGULAR SEASON-PHASE

24 60 28 GAMES

PLAYOFFS
April 1-15 Playoff Tournaments
April 16 end of season
TOURNAMENTS
4 tournaments
16 games

TOTAL PRACTICES: 65 - 75 | TOTAL GAMES: 50 - 55

CONSIDERATIONS:

Prep Camp: 2 Weeks 8 – 10 sessions – 1 60 minute session per day

Tryouts: 5+ skates then evaluate 2+ practices / 3+ Inter-squad games

- 1 Dedicated Skill Practice per week
- · 2 Seasonal Breaks (School Breaks)
- · Tournament Style Playoffs vs rounds
- · Established equal playing time for all goaltenders at this level.
- A predictable alternating schedule is recommended and to be communicated
- · Introduction of the Starter and Back Up Roles should be established in preparation for Midget, Junior and Beyond.



This is the Second stage of the High Performance Goaltending Development Model

COMMUNITY

DEVELOPMENT PHASE

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PRACTICES EXHIBITION GAMES

REGULAR SEASON PHASE

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Mar 15 - 30 Playoff Tournaments
March 31 end of season

TOURNAMENTS
3 tournaments
12 games

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CONSIDERATIONS:

 Prep Camp: 2 Weeks
 8 – 10 sessions – 1 60 minute session per day

Tryouts: 5 skates then evaluate 2 practices / 3 Inter-squad games

- · 1 Dedicated Skill Practice per week
- · 2 Seasonal Breaks (School Breaks)
- Tournament Style Playoffs vs rounds
- . Established equal playing time for all goaltenders at this level.
- . A predictable alternating schedule is recommended and to be communicated

DEVELOPMENTAL

DEVELOPMENT PHASE

4 WEEKS

16 PRACTICES

4 EXHIBITION REGULAR SEASON PHASE

24 WEEKS PRA PLAYOFFS
April 1 - 15 Playoff Tournaments
April 16 end of season

TOURNAMENTS
3 tournaments
12 games

TOTAL PRACTICES: 80+ | TOTAL GAMES: 50 - 55

CONSIDERATIONS:

Prep Camp: 2 Weeks 8 – 10 sessions – 1 60 minute session per day

Tryouts: 5+ skates then evaluate 2+ practices / 3+ Inter-squad games

- 1 Dedicated Skill Practice per week
- · 2 Seasonal Breaks (School Breaks)
- TournamentStylePlayoffsvsrounds
- · Established equal playing time for all goaltenders at this level.
- A predictable alternating schedule is recommended and to be communicated.
- Starter and Back Up Roles in full swing in preparation for Junior and Beyond

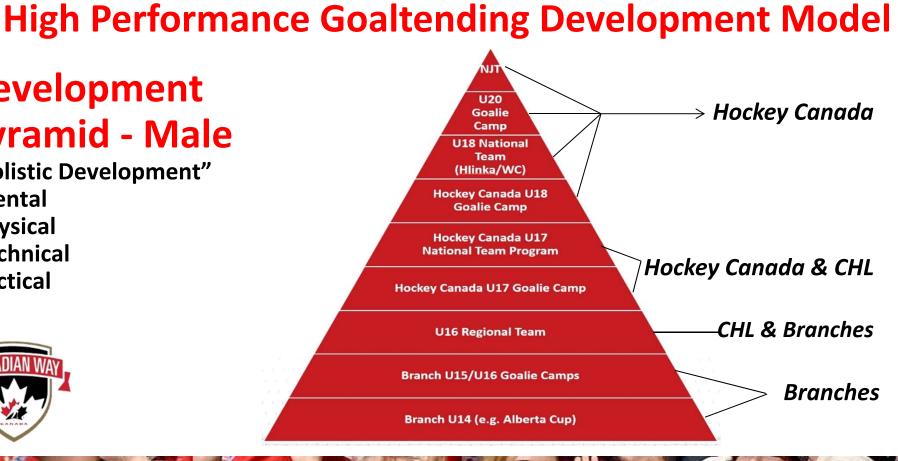


Development Pyramid - Male

"Holistic Development"

- -Mental
- -Physical
- -Technical
- -Tactical



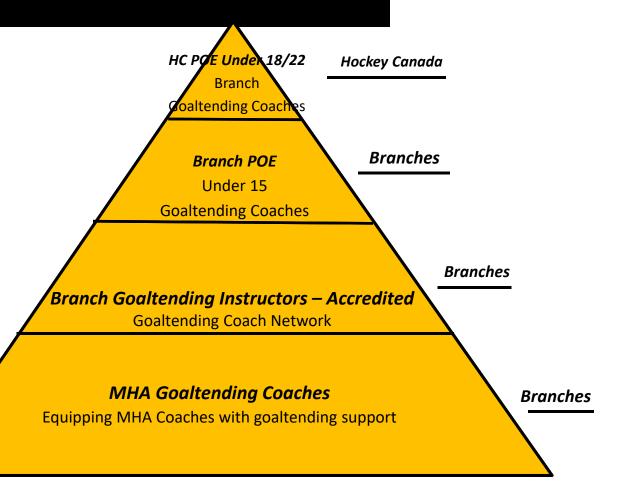




Development
Pyramid- Female

"Holistic Development"

- Mental
- Physical
- Technical
- Tactical





Role of the Member Branches

- Appointment of a Branch
 High Performance
 Goaltending Advisor
- Training of Branch
 Goaltending leads in each area of their province
- Operate U16/U15/U14
 regional goaltending camps in
 their branch / province
- Operate a provincial goaltending development camp for U16 each season.



Hockey Canada Member Branch National Coverage



SEASONAL STRUCTURE

SEPTEMBER

-Technical Skills - Introduce

Skating

Stance (Athletic position, balance)

Moving Skills (T-Push, Shuffle, C Cut & Pivot)

Positioning (Angles, Square, Depth)

Save Selection (Basic Saves)

OCTOBER

-Technical Skills - Develop

Skating

Stance (Athletic position, balance)

Moving Skills (T-Push, Shuffle, C Cut & Pivot)

Positioning (Angles, Square, Depth)

Save Selection (Basic Saves)

NOVEMBER

-Technical Skills - Develop

Skating

Stance (Athletic position, balance)

Moving Skills (T-Push, Shuffle, C Cut & Pivot)

Positioning (Angles, Square, Depth)

Save Selection (Basic Saves)

Introduce

Basic Puck Control (Rebound Control)

Stickhandling

DECEMBER

Technical Skills - Refine

Skating

Stance (Athletic position, balance)

Moving Skills (T-Push, Shuffle, C Cut & Pivot)

Positioning (Angles, Square, Depth)

Save Selection (Basic Saves)

Develop

Basic Puck Control (Rebound Control)

Stickhandling

JANUARY

Technical Skills – Develop / Refine

Skating

Stance (Athletic position, balance)

Moving Skills (T-Push, Shuffle, C Cut & Pivot)

Positioning (Angles, Square, Depth)

Save Selection (Basic Saves)

Basic Puck Control (Rebound Control)

Stickhandling



SEASONAL STRUCTURE

FEBRUARY

Technical Skills – Develop / Refine

Skating

Stance (Athletic position, balance)

Moving Skills (T-Push, Shuffle, C Cut & Pivot)

Positioning (Angles, Square, Depth)

Save Selection (Basic Saves)

Basic Puck Control (Rebound Control)

Stickhandling

MARCH / APRIL

Technical Skills - Develop / Refine

Skating

Stance (Athletic position, balance)

Moving Skills (T-Push, Shuffle, C Cut & Pivot)

Positioning (Angles, Square, Depth)

Save Selection (Basic Saves)

Basic Puck Control (Rebound Control)

Stickhandling

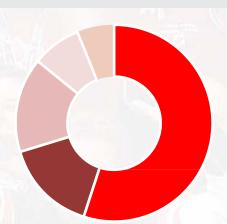
MAY / JUNE / JULY / AUGUST

Off season

Multisport Activities

Goaltending Specific Skill Instruction

SEASONAL STRUCTURE BREAKDOWN CHART



40% - Introducing Technical Skills

25% - Developing Technical Skills

20% - Refining Technical Skills

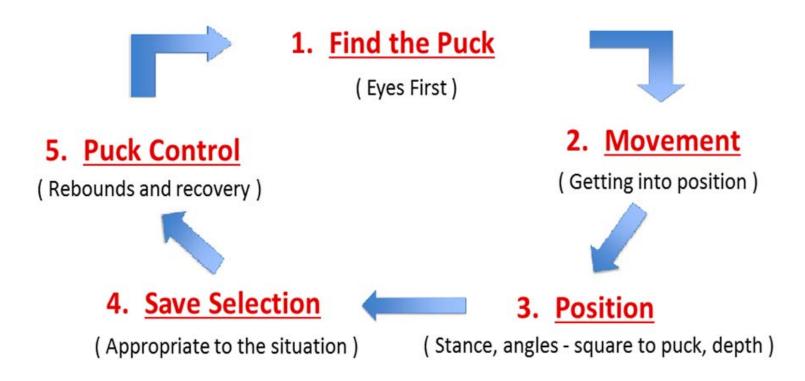
10% - Introducing Individual Tactics

5% - Developing Individual Tactics



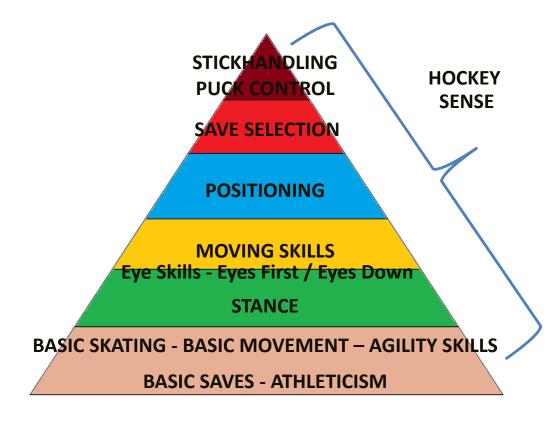
GOALTENDING SKILL DEVELOPMENT?

The Save Cycle is comprised of 5 key areas of focus for solid goaltending:



The Save Cycle is the foundation for Goaltending in Canada!

GOALTENDING SKILL DEVELOPMENT



- 1. The Beginner Program recommends development be built on 75% movement and positional skills 20% on save movement and related issues and 5% on tactics.
- 2. The Intermediate Program recommends 50% movement and positional skills, 20% on save movement and related issues and 30% on tactics and transition.
- 3. The Advanced Program recommends 35% movement and positional skills, 10% on post-save consequences, 40% on tactics and transition and 15% on advanced positioning.



GOALTENDING SKILL DEVELOPMENT?

Level 1 Curriculum – Introduction to Basic Skills

- 1. Skating
- 2. Stance (Athletic position, balance)
- 3. Moving Skills (T-Push, Shuffle, C Cut & Pivot)
- 4. Positioning (Angles, Square, Depth)
- 5. Save Selection (Basic Saves)
- 6. Basic Puck Control (Rebound Control)
- 7. Stickhandling

Level 2 Curriculum – Advanced Skills and 10 Scoring Situations

- 1. Advanced Skating
- 2. Eye Skills
- 3. Advanced Hands
- 4. Advanced Puckhandling
- 5. 10 Scoring Situations



GOALTENDING SKILL DEVELOPMENT?

Level 2 Curriculum -**Advanced Skills / 10 Scoring Situations**

- ❖ The scoring situations are broken down to 10 categories to help the goaltender recognize the situation and select the best way to defend it
- Goaltenders have to be able to read both attacking players options and their own team mates defending position while processing the situation

The 10 scoring situations are:

- Clear Shots
 - Entries
- **❖** Net Drives
- Breakaways
 - Rebounds
- **❖Low / High**
- East / West
- Below the Goal Line
 - Deflections
 - Screens



GOALTENDING SKILLS

Basic Stance Butterfly Stance	Moving SkillsShufflesC-cutsT-pushPivotSlides	• Angles • Squareness • Depth • Tracking the puck	Save SelectionStick SavesGlove SavesBlocker SavesBody SavesBreakaways	Basic Puck Control Basic Rebound Control Freezing Pucks Stickhandling		
LEVEL 2 Advanced Skating Eye Skills Advanced Hands Advanced Puck Handling 10 Scoring Situations						
 Advanced C-cuts Advanced Pivots into t-push / shuffles / butterfly powerslides / recovery 	Tracking the Puck	 Moving fwd / bwd Moving east / west 	Setting PucksOutlet PassesRims	 Clear shots / Entries / Net drives / Breakaways/ Rebounds / Low to high / East – west / Below goal line / Deflections / Screens 		

LEVEL 3

Defensive Team Play	Offensive Team Play	Hockey Sense			
D ZonePKOdd Man Situations	BreakoutsRims	CommunicationDeveloping Individual Plan		•	



INSTRUCTORS / COACHES



Continuing Education Opportunities

-NCCP Instructional Stream

- -Goaltending Level 1
- -Goaltending Level 2
- -Goaltending Level 3
- -Small Area Games Clinic

RESOURCES



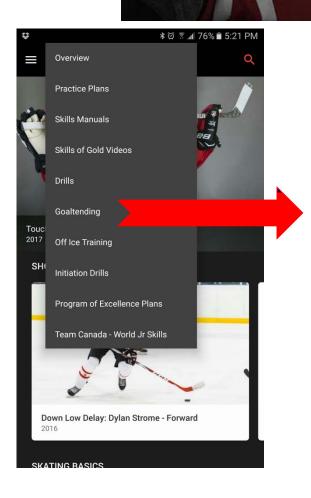






Skill Development - Goaltending









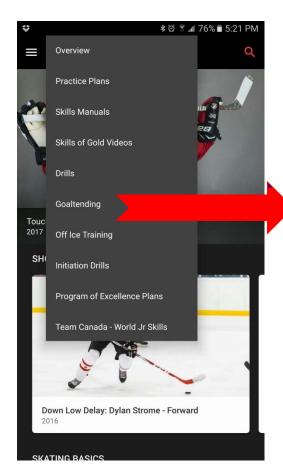




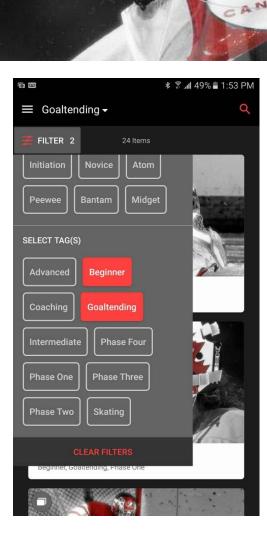


RESOURCES

Skills Manuals - Goaltending



The Hockey **Canada Skills Development** Goaltending Manual is broken up into 24 separate practice plans. Each individual drill can also be accessed. Favorite, download and share an entire practice plan or individual drill











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