

# 2023/24 U11 A, B & C EVALUATION & TEAM FORMATION PROCESS



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## **PURPOSE**

To establish guidelines and procedures for player evaluations and placement within the U11 Division.

## **OVERVIEW**

1. For U11, the City will be divided into one zone.
2. The number of players on each team in a given Tier will be determined by registration numbers.
3. For determining the number of U11 A and B teams, the following grid will be used as a guideline:

<b>Total # of skaters registered for U11</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>
<b>250 - 259</b>	5	7
<b>260 - 284</b>	5	8
<b>285 - 299</b>	6	8
<b>300 - 329</b>	6	9
<b>330 - 344</b>	6	10
<b>345 - 359</b>	7	10
<b>360 - 389</b>	7	11
<b>390 - 409</b>	8	11
<b>410 - 424</b>	8	12
<b>425 - 439</b>	8	13
<b>440 - 469</b>	9	13
<b>470 - 499</b>	9	14

4. Evaluators will be short-listed coaches and independents. **Note for A and B, the coaches grades will account for a maximum of 40% of the final grade.**

## **PLAYER ELIGIBILITY**

1. Evaluations for U11 A, B and C are open to all U11 aged hockey players (male and female) that are, as per HRI regulations, registered with HRI and paid the appropriate evaluation/registration fee.
2. Upon registration, a player will have the ability to register to tryout for U11 A, B or C. It is the understanding that registering for U11 A or B does not guarantee a placement on an U11 A or B team.
3. To be eligible for the U11 A or B team selection draft, all players must be registered for **and** attend the evaluations of that particular Tier.
4. Players must communicate their absence to the division director, prior to their assigned session. Failure to communicate their absence may make that player ineligible for the team selection draft.
5. Injured players may be asked to supply a medical report to the Division Director.

6. Once the U11 A or B evaluations have started transfers for U11 A or B will be accepted up to the registration deadline.

## EVALUATION PROCESS

### CRITERIA

During the course of the evaluations, the evaluators will be evaluating and grading the players on criteria that includes the following:

- Skating – Acceleration, speed, mobility, agility, balance, crossovers, pivots
- Puck control/passing – giving/receiving pass, presents a good target, heads up, good hands
- Shooting – Power, accuracy, can shoot in motion
- Compete level – can the player follow instruction, overall attitude towards the game, overall desire to compete
- Hockey sense – Ability to see the play developing both offensively and defensively, anticipation, disciplined
- Goalies will be evaluated on the following skills:
  - Balance – Good ready position
  - Mobility – Skating ability, reacts well to puck movement in zone
  - Quickness – Reacts well to shots, quick recovery
  - Concentration/Consistency – Alert, follows puck, able to make key saves

### OVERVIEW

1. For all sessions, the players will be divided into equal groups based on numbers.
2. All players will be given a jersey that they will use for the evaluations. At the conclusion of the final scrimmage session of that Tier, the players will return the jersey to the registration person.
3. All evaluators will be given a list of players/numbers for the ice session. Each evaluator will give all players one overall grade between 1 and 6. At the conclusion of each ice session, the evaluators will hand in their completed forms to the evaluator coordinator.
4. The coaches will not evaluate their own child.
5. The evaluator coordinator will record all the grades for all the players. Each player will receive one single score between 1 and 6 based on the **AVERAGE** of **ALL** the evaluators' grades for all the sessions of that Tier. **Note for A and B, the coaches grades will account for a maximum of 40% of the final grade.**

**NOTE:** Any parent interfering in the evaluation process may be subject to disciplinary action.

### U11A

1. The evaluation process for U11A will be a two stage process. The first stage will consist of the following:
  - Two (2) skill + goalie session
  - One (1) controlled scrimmages

**Note: returning HRI U11A players will participate in the skill session and scrimmages. After their scrimmage, they will automatically go to the second stage of U11A evaluations.**

2. After the first stage all players will be advised of their next U11 A or B evaluation dates within 48 hours via e-mail.
3. At the conclusion of the first stage, the players will be ranked from 1 to n based on their grade, approximately the top 168 skaters and top 24 goalies plus injured, etc. will participate in the second stage, which will consist of the following:
  - Two (2) controlled scrimmages

Note: the scores from the first stage skill session will carry forward

4. At the conclusion of the U11A evaluation process, the players will be ranked from 1 to n based on their grade in the second stage scrimmages and 1<sup>st</sup> stage skill session.
5. Once the team selection draft has occurred, players not placed on an U11A team will be advised of the U11B evaluation dates.

### **U11B**

1. The U11B evaluations will be for all players not placed on an U11A team and the players that chose to go directly to U11B.
2. The evaluation process will consist of the following:
  - Two (2) skill + goalie session
  - One (1) controlled scrimmages
3. At the conclusion of the U11B evaluation process, the players will be ranked from 1 to n based on their grade.
4. Once the U11B team selection draft has occurred, players not placed on an U11B team will be advised.

### **U11C**

1. The U11C evaluations will be the players that chose to go directly to U11C. For all players not placed on an U11B team, they will not take part in the U11C evaluations.
2. The evaluation process will consist of the following:
  - Two (2) skill + goalie session
  - One (1) controlled scrimmages
3. At the conclusion of the scrimmages, the players will be ranked from 1 to n based on their grade.

## **TEAM SELECTION PROCESS**

### **OVERVIEW**

1. The U11 teams will be determined via a draft process.
2. Prior to the draft, the coaches will be given a list of eligible players, with a ranking of the players to be provided during the draft.
3. The final appointed Head Coach shall be allowed to attend on the draft.
4. The drafting order will be decided at the beginning of the draft. A reverse order format will be used.  
Example (assumes 4 teams):  
Goalenders: Round One: 1, 2, 3, 4. Round Two: 4, 3, 2, 1.  
Skaters: Round Three: 4, 3, 2, 1. Round Four: 3, 2, 1, 4.  
Round Five: 2, 1, 4, 3. Round Six: 1, 4, 3, 2.
5. The coaches' child shall be selected in the round that they evaluate out at.
6. A Head Coach will not draft the child of another Head Coach at the same drafting table.
7. Any discussion that takes place at the drafting table is done so in the strictest of confidence. Anyone that partakes in the drafting process shall not under any circumstances and in any manner communicate to any player including goalies or the parent of any player, any information related to the draft, final ranking, score and grouping of any player and/or goalie.

### **U11A**

1. Each player will be assigned a final ranking of 1 to 6 to the nearest decimal point that allows for a list of approximately the top 136 skaters and top 24 goalies (assumes 8 teams).
2. A coach will have the ability to draft any player in the top 136 skaters or 24 goalies. Note that any registered injured/absent player will be eligible to be selected at any time in the draft.
3. Skaters ranked 1-88 and goalies ranked 1-8 must be selected in the draft. This assumes 112 skaters and 16 goalies will be selected.

### **U11B**

1. Each player will be assigned a final ranking of 1 to 6 to the nearest decimal point that allows for a list of approximately the top 136 skaters and top 24 goalies (assumes 8 teams).
2. A coach will have the ability to draft any player in the top 136 skaters or 24 goalies. Note that any registered injured/absent player will be eligible to be selected at any time in the draft.
3. Skaters ranked 1-88 and goalies ranked 1-8 must be selected in the draft. This assumes 112 skaters and 16 goalies will be selected.

### **U11C**

1. Each player will be assigned a final ranking of 1 to 6, to the nearest decimal point.

2. Based on the final rankings, players will be grouped in flights of 'N', whereby 'N' is the number of U11 C teams in a zone times three. A coach will be able to select a player from the current flight only. When there are n players remaining in a group, then the next group of players will be introduced.

Example (Assume 4 teams):

Group A = 1 to 12

Group B = 13 to 16

Group C = 17 to 20

Group D = 21 to 24

Group E = etc

3. The draft will start with Group A. When 8 skaters remain in a group the next group of skaters will be introduced. This will occur from group to group every time 8 skaters are remaining. Note that any registered injured/absent players will be selected after all the other players have been selected.