

# **LONDON RINGETTE ASSOCIATION**

## **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS-REGISTRATION**

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### **Why have registration fees increased since last season?**

The player registration fee is based on the costs to operate a team for the season, and as with all things, costs go up. For the 2024-25 season, ice costs are expected to increase 3-5% in the City of London. The Ringette Ontario fees have also increased.

### **What are Ringette Ontario fees?**

Our governing body, Ringette Ontario, assesses a player membership fee which includes insurance coverage.

### **What does my registration fee include?**

The majority of the registration fee is for ice costs. Each team (Fun 3 and older) is provided one practice ice time per week and generally 10 home games throughout the season. It also includes RO team fees, league fees, officials costs, gamesheet costs. The season runs from October to end of March, however warm up skates will take place in September.

London Ringette Association is unique in that your registration fee includes your entry in the London tournament in November and the year end event (Regionals or Provincials) rather than downloading this cost to teams.

### **What is the cash calendar?**

As part of LRA's fundraising efforts, we have a cash calendar draw that is mandatory for all players. Each player pays the \$125 cash calendar fee upon registration and in the fall will receive tickets to sell for the various cash draws. As you have already paid the fee, you keep the ticket sales.....so essentially you can earn your \$125 back! If you don't sell your tickets, put your name on any unsold tickets and you can have a chance to win in the weekly raffle draws.

Families with more than two children registered in London Ringette, are only required to pay the \$125 for first two children. Tickets for third and subsequent children are not required.

### **Why are the fees higher for provincial players than regional players?**

There are a variety of additional costs for provincial (A/AA) teams. All provincial teams (AA/A) are given full ice practices while regional teams share ice. The entry fees for the London tournament and year end event (Provincials) are significantly higher than for a regional team. Provincial teams are also assessed higher league fees/official fees and U16/U19AA teams require additional ice time for games.

### **If my daughter wants to play U12A for the upcoming season, how do I register now to avoid the late fee?**

At this time, LRA is planning to host a U12A team and tryouts/assessments will be in the fall. Please register as U12 and if your player is successfully placed on the U12A team, the registrar will amend your registration and the additional fees will be payable to LRA at that time.

For further information regarding the U12 program, please refer to:  
[U12 Information Sheet](#)

### **Why is the U12 regional registration fee higher than other regional divisions?**

As part of the U12 Pathway, Ringette Ontario now hosts a year-end event for all U12 teams, similar to provincial events. The entry fee for this event is significantly more than the regional championship entry fee, so LRA has had to increase U12 registration fees accordingly.

### **What is the refund policy?**

If a player withdraws from LRA prior to November 1, 2024, the registration fees will be refunded, however a \$100 withdrawal fee will apply. After November 1, 2024, no registration fees will be refunded. All Ringette Ontario fees are non-refundable.

### **How do I get the \$200 discount for new player registration?**

New players, Fun3/U10 and above should register in the LRA Ramp system. There will be a package for their age group indicating new player. The registration fee reflects the \$200 discount.

### **Can I pay by credit card?**

Unfortunately at this time, LRA is not set up to accept credit card payments. All payments must be sent by e-transfer to [londonringette@gmail.com](mailto:londonringette@gmail.com)

### **Can I set up a payment plan?**

To arrange a payment plan, please contact our registrar at [registrar@londonringette.com](mailto:registrar@londonringette.com). **All fees must be paid in fully by December 1, 2024.**

### **What financial assistance opportunities are available?**

There are programs available that can provide assistance.  
[Financial Assistance Opportunities](#)

### **What is Respect in Sport Program?**

Ringette Ontario has mandated that a parent/guardian from each household must complete the Respect In Sport: Parent Program. If you are new to Ringette this coming season please complete the online course:

- The online course costs \$12.00 and takes approximately hour to complete.
- If you have already completed this online course through a different sport such as soccer, hockey, volleyball, you are not required to retake the course.
- Please include your certificate # on RAMP site when you register your athlete.

For more details refer to link: [Respect In Sport Parent Program](#)

