

# TRAC AA Wolverines

## U15 & U18 Tryout Format

TRAC Wolverines Tryout and evaluation process will follow the evaluation procedure posted on the Whitecourt Minor Hockey Website under the TRAC information tab. This process has been reviewed and accepted by the TRAC Committee and will be used to ensure a fair assessment of each player is conducted.

All Players attending the TRAC AA Tryout for TRAC U15 / U18 AA will be evaluated over all ice sessions. No Cuts will be made until Sunday.

Please Note: The Athletes composure and compassion will be considered throughout the weekend. All Aspects of the player are being watched throughout the tryout, and therefore must be communicated to these young athletes.

- Respect On & Off the Ice
- Bullying will not be tolerated. Any issues that arise from an incident such as this will be reviewed and handled by the AA Director for TRAC.
- Coachability

### **Skill Evaluation Sessions:**

1. There will be 1 Skill Session used to assess the players at this level.
    - a. Players separated into groups to reduce the number of players on the ice.
      - i. U15 will have 2 Groups
      - ii. A Third Group will be decided if Registration Numbers dictate otherwise.
      - iii. U18 will have 1 – 2 groups depending on Registration numbers.
    - b. Players will be assigned Jersey Numbers at the beginning of each skate.
      - i. Players must wear the assigned jersey number and must not trade or switch with any other players
    - c. Groups for the Skills sessions are posted on the website Prior to each Day.
    - d. They will also be available with any TRAC Member at the Scott Safety Center
- Skating: (1 – 5 Scale)
  - Puck handling: (1 – 5 Scale)
  - Shot (Shooting & Scoring): (1 – 5 Scale)
  - Passing & receiving: (1 – 5 Scale)
  - General: (Comments)
    - o Does the player rank Top, Middle or Bottom?
  - Coachability: (Comments)

**2. Game Evaluations will include the above and the following:**

- Positional Play: (1 – 10 Scale)
- Defensive Play: (1 – 10 Scale)
- Hockey IQ / Sense: (1 – 10 Scale)
- Work Ethic / Compete: (1 – 10 Scale)

**3. GOALIES:**

- Goalies will be evaluated along with the other players during the skills sessions and Games.
- Goalies will have a separate on ice Goaltender Skills Session with drills that are appropriate for their division.
- Goaltenders will have their own independent Evaluators who will rank them.
- Evaluated Skills Include:
  - o Skating/Balance: (1 – 5 Scale)
  - o Positional Play: (1 – 5 Scale)
  - o Puck Control: (1 – 5 Scale)
  - o Quickness/Reaction: (1 – 5 Scale)
  - o Focus/Concentration: (1 – 5 Scale)
  - o Compete Level: (1 – 5 Scale)

Tryout Drills will be posted on the website by September 07, 2020 for Review. Players and Parents should take the time to Review the skills drills in order to be prepared for the upcoming on ice skills sessions.

**Game Evaluation Sessions:**

1. Game 1 & 2 will take place on Saturday. The Goaltender On-Ice Session will take place following game 1. The schedule will be posted on the Website.
  - a. All players will play this game in the original groups that were assigned on the website.
  - b. Following the first game all players will hand in their Jerseys. These will be re-assigned based on what the coaches and evaluators decide.
  - c. Game 2 will take place in the afternoon following the goaltender on-ice session.
2. Game 3 will take place on Sunday Morning, and will be the last ice session of the tryout.
  - a. All Players will be assigned new Jerseys as we place the kids in different “Teams” for the final Inter-squad game.
  - b. Following this game, all players will hand in their Jerseys.
3. Exit Interviews may be conducted following the game on Sunday with the coaching staff. The Interview time and location will be communicated during the weekend.
  - a. We will attempt to make this process as quick as possible. We ask that all players and parents be patient in this process.
  - b. Players will discuss the results of the tryouts with the Coaching Staff
4. Results of the Tryouts and the preliminary Roster will be posted on the WMHA website.
  - a. Practice Times for the week will be posted.

TRAC AA U13 can take up to 25 players to the Exhibition and Tournaments (If Applicable). Please Note, Coaches may reduce this number should they decide. All Players will not dress for each game throughout due to Hockey Alberta Bench Roster Regulations.

Following Tryouts written and recorded evaluation results will not be available to parents or players. Should you require information regarding the tryout, please follow the Player Evaluation Process guidelines from section 5 to arrange a meeting with the director and committee. Players may also ask additional questions during the interview if they are looking to improve and develop further. Should results be required, the TRAC Committee will require up to 72 hours to collaborate and provide a comprehensive assessment that would be given to the parent and WMHA once approved by the Committee.

TRAC WOLVERINES & WMHA will be following the Hockey Alberta AA Hockey Model. A copy of this can be found on the Hockey Alberta Website.

TRAC WOLVERINES will be following the TRAC AA Player Evaluation Process / Coach Picks as outlined on the WMHA Website. A copy of this can be found under the TRAC Tab.

A Parent Information Meeting will be held on Saturday, September 12, 2020 from 11:45am-1:15pm in the Scott Safety Center Restaurant. It is highly recommended that all parents attend this meeting. If you are unable to attend, please inform the AA Director.

All Questions & Inquiries can be directed to: [AAdirector@whitecourtminorhockey.com](mailto:AAdirector@whitecourtminorhockey.com)

TRAC COMMITTEE

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