



2019 – 2020 Tryout Rules

- All players trying out for a BWGMHA rep team must be registered and a member in good standing with BWGMHA, or on a NRP passport. *(If you were not registered with BWGMHA for the just completed season, you must contact the office to register before the start of tryouts. Proof of residency and date of birth will be required along with a \$100 deposit on registration)*
- Tryout Passports \$65.00.
- No Rep, AE or LL jerseys are to be worn by players during tryouts.
- Three “Tryouts” are scheduled for each A team. AE tryouts will be scheduled as required.
- Players can be released after the 1st tryout
- Any player wishing to go straight to AE tryouts (if applicable) must get a release from the A coach first.
- Players missing a tryout must notify the coach and/or the VP of Operations a minimum of 24hrs prior to the tryout date. Players missing any tryouts must pay the full passport amount.
- Minor and Major Rep team players must be selected by the end of the tryout window, Sunday May 5.
- The Coach reserves the right to release a player by November 15th
- Players selected to a Rep team will be required to sign a commitment letter and player code of conduct form confirming their selection and intent to play for the selected team for the coming season.
- Players who make a Rep team must register online by June 30th with full amount of registration fees received.

Try up Rule

- The youngest rep program offering will be open to players in that age group or younger. Players must make the team based on merit.
 - *Example for 2019-20 season: Minor Novice (2012) will be open to 2012 and younger.*

- All other rep programs will adhere to the “Try Up Rule”.
 - *Example for 2019-20 season: Novice (2011) through Midget (2002-2003) must adhere to the “Try Up Rule”*

The “Try Up Rule” is defined as:

- Under-aged Players wishing to try up must inform the coach and the VP of Operations their intent to do so at least 48hrs in advance of the tryouts.
- Under-aged Players wishing to try up must try out for their own age group first.
- Those under-aged players wishing to try up must purchase a Tryout Passport for each age group the player is trying out for.
- Under-aged Players will be evaluated by a committee selected by the VP of Operations.
- The Under-aged Player must be evaluated as the “Top 2” players at the desired team’s tryout in order to be selected on the team.
- Once an under-aged player has met the “Try Up Rule” criteria and has been selected on a team, they are considered “grandfathered” and may continue to play for that team in following season(s). They must make the team each season based on merit.

AE/MD Tryouts

AE/MD teams are contingent on there being adequate numbers of players at the tryouts for both Minor and Major A teams in each division and will be at the discretion of BWGMHA.

- Players must provide a release notice to the AE team indicating release by the “A” team. These notices must be signed and dated by the Head Coach and given to the player.
- Failure to provide a release from the “A” team will forfeit the player’s right to continue to tryout and the player will be placed in the house league program

Definitions

First Teams “A”

BWGMA First Teams are defined as the most competitive teams in our Association, and as such the best players available must play for the first teams in each category.

Second Teams “AE/MD”

BWGMHA Second Teams are defined as development teams, to enable our Association to develop players for our First Teams. The teams are made up of players who:

- Want to play Representative hockey and strive to get to the “A” level.
- That attend and receives a release from the “A” tryouts

Development of players is the prime function of our second teams and these teams must provide players through affiliation to our First Teams.

OMHA Player Movement Rule

For details on the OMHA player movement rule for Minor Peewee and above please refer to the OMHA website at; www.omha.net or contact the VP of Operations.