



HOCKEY SASKATCHEWAN

Membership Virtual Meeting

November 14, 2023

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Hockey Canada

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New Board of Directors

The Nominating Committee of Hockey Canada reviewed all applications received and have recommended nine people to serve on the Board of Directors. At the Hockey Canada AGM on Saturday, November 18th the Member Branches will vote who of the nine candidates will serve one year, two year or three-year terms.

Three of the candidates are currently on the Board of Directors who were appointed to one-year terms last November.

Playing Rule Amendments for 2024/25

At the Hockey Canada AGM there will be several Playing Rule amendments presented and voted on by the Member Branches. Following the meeting we will be able to provide a summary of the amendments that were approved and will take effect in the 2024/25 season.

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Hockey Saskatchewan

Annual General Meeting

The Hockey Saskatchewan Annual General Meeting is being moved to early August from the traditional June timeframe.

This provides more time to prepare and distribute the Audited Financial Statement of the previous year.

When new Directors are elected to the Board it allows them to immediately get involved within the Board of Directors as opposed to traditionally seeing a four to five week “down time” over the summer.

The change still complies with ISC Compliance and Sask Sport guidelines to carry out a AGM within four months of year end.

The date will be Tuesday, August 6, 2024 at 7:00 pm and will be held virtually.

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Neck Guards

The Hockey Saskatchewan Board of Directors have approved a motion that requires all on-ice Officials to wear a BNQ certified neck guard when working in any league that requires players to wear neck guards.

This will be effective as of Monday, November 20, 2023.

Notification will be sent to all Officials immediately following this Virtual Call.

This will apply to officials working the following:

- All Minor Coed and Female Hockey Games
- All Female Junior Hockey League Games
- All SJHL Hockey League Games

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MHA Matching Grant Program – 2023/24

The Board of Directors have approved a MHA Matching Grant Program for the 2023/24 season in support of MHA's across the Province.

Support will be provided with the expense of hiring Power Skating Instructors or to have a local person trained to be a Power Skating Instructor to assist in Player Development with a matching grant of up to \$1,000.00.

One application per MHA will be accepted and the MHA must match the Grant received. The online application access will be made available October 15, 2023.

<https://hockeysask.ca/news/listing/hockey-saskatchewans-mha-matching-grant-program-returns-to-boost-skater-development>

Power Skating services must be targeted towards the U7 to U13 age groups within an MHA and must have occurred from September 2023 to December 2023.

Power Skating Certification must be obtained by December 31, 2023. Online Applications to be received between December 1, 2023, and February 28, 2024

Power Skating instructors must possess the following certification in order for an MHA to qualify for the Matching Grant.

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Required Training

1. Respect in Sport Activity Leader + one of the 5 designations below
 - a) Hockey Canada Certified Skills Coach (Level 3)
 - b) Hockey Saskatchewan Licensee
 - c) CanPower Skate - Delivered by Skate Canada
 - d) Hockey Saskatchewan Skills Coach Level 2 – Was held June 16 – 17 in Saskatoon
 - e) Hockey Sask Skating Coach – Two Clinics held August 13 in Saskatoon and October 29 in Caronport

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Hockey Day in Saskatchewan

Kinistino will serve as the Host of the 2024 Hockey Day in Saskatchewan event that will be held the weekend of January 19 – 21, 2024.

- The rotation is as follows:
 - 2024/25 Zone 4 Call for Applications will be made with an April 1 deadline. Reminder that the successful community must have a rink project planned.
 - 2025/26 Zone 3
 - 2026/27 Zone 7
 - 2027/28 Zone 1
 - 2028/29 Zone 5
 - 2029/30 Zone 8

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Hockey Saskatchewan has created a new staff position titled the Senior Manager of Culture and Inclusion.

Faye Matt has been hired to fulfill the position and Faye began her tenure on Monday October 30.

Faye will address topic areas such as:

- Social Impact (Equity, Diversity & Inclusion)
- Governance (Policy, Procedures & Best Practices)

Please feel free to contact Faye (fayem@hockeysask.ca) with any questions or to include her with any initiatives/work your Association is considering or currently implementing.



FAYE MATT
SENIOR MANAGER
CULTURE & INCLUSION

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Hockey Saskatchewan Suspension Casebook

<https://hockeysask.ca/members/suspensions>

Hockey Saskatchewan Affiliations Casebook

<https://hockeysask.ca/members/affiliations>

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Hockey Saskatchewan Maltreatment Investigators

<https://hockeysask.ca/news/listing/position-posting-hockey-saskatchewan-maltreatment-investigators>

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Community Rink Affordability Grant Program

Skating and curling rinks are integral to the creation of vibrant, active, and connected communities in Saskatchewan. These facilities play a critical role in health and wellness, at a time when that has never been more important. Recognizing the escalating operating costs communities and organizations face, SPRA has partnered with the Government of Saskatchewan to offer the Community Rink Affordability Grant.

A maximum of \$2,500 will be available per ice surface to help offset the expenses in eligible indoor skating and curling rinks for the 2023-2024 operating season

HOW TO APPLY

- Apply Here: [Online Portal](#)
- Inquiries and Support: crag@spra.sk.ca
- Eligibility Information: [Download](#)



**Saskatchewan Parks
and Recreation
Association**

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Hockey Saskatchewan

Provincial Registration Timeline:

- Applications opened on November 1st (\$75) on the Hockey Sask website (Presidents of Minor Hockey Associations only have access)
- Applications close at 5:00 pm on December 1st without penalty fee assessed
- Applications close at 5:00 pm on December 8th with the penalty fee assessed (\$150)
- After the Application is reviewed by Hockey Saskatchewan, a Provincial Roster Link will be emailed back to the Provincial Team contact. That Provincial Roster must be completed and submitted back to Hockey Saskatchewan by the following dates:
 - Female U13 – December 15th
 - Minor – December 20th
 - Senior – December 30th
- All Provincial rosters will then be reviewed and approved after those deadlines (if there are any issues with a provincial roster, the team contact will be contacted directly from HS)
- All Provincial Draws will then be made and approved by the Hockey Saskatchewan Board of Directors in early January
- All Provincial packages will be emailed to each Team Contact shortly thereafter

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Provincial Team Orientation Meetings:

Hockey Saskatchewan will host Orientation Meetings via Zoom with all Provincial Teams on the following dates:

- Wednesday January 3rd @ 6:00 pm – U13
- Wednesday January 3rd @ 7:00 pm – U18
- Thursday January 4th @ 6:00 pm – U15
- Thursday January 4th @ 7:00 pm – Senior

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Carded Team Registration Timeline:

- Applications open on November 1st (\$75) on the Hockey Sask website (Presidents of Minor Hockey Associations only have access)
- Applications close at 5:00 pm on November 15th
- After the Application is reviewed by Hockey Saskatchewan, a Carded Team Roster will be emailed back to the Carded Team Contact.
- The Carded Team Roster must be completed and submitted back to Hockey Saskatchewan by 5:00 pm on December 1st.
- As of December 1st, Carded Teams may begin to participate as explained in Regulation 6.04.16
- Carded Weekends are:

○ 2 nd Weekend of December	December 8 - 10
○ 2 nd Weekend of January	January 12 - 14
○ 3 rd Weekend of February	February 16 - 18
○ 4 th Weekend of March	March 22 - 24

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Officiating Programs

Officiating Registration and certification is open for all officials

- Level 1 Officials Must Register and Pay before just showing up for a clinic and on-ice session.
- All other officials have online modules, and virtual clinics to complete.
- Also please ensure to put up your clinic and recruitment posters that have been sent out to promote officiating and your clinics.
- Full instructions and links can be found here: <https://hockeysask.ca/officials/registration>

Sask First Officials Registration will open Tuesday, October 10

- This is for all Male Officials 15 and older interested in attending a U15 Sask First Camp December 2 & 3 as an official.

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Officiating Programs

Master Contact list and Certification Confirmation Sheet

This Sheet will be shared with all MHA's again this year.

Please share this with all assignors to ensure the officials being assigned are actually certified.

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1NPjP5yhpO2wYr9wgzEQ_hF6Ilk4k1ldz7qAYrH_SnbQ/edit?usp=sharing

Western Branches Officiating Development Video Series has started

Great informational and development videos produced by the WHL that should be shared with all officials, and non-officials throughout the season.

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Coaching Program

Coaching Clinics are available until December 20th, please visit the following link for clinic locations and details

<https://hockeysask.ca/coaches/clinics>

Para Coach 2 Level Clinic is being held [December 17, 2023, in Outlook](#). The details are within the Coaching Clinic link above under Coach 2 Level

The last two **Development 1 Clinics of the season**, which both include 2 virtual sessions and 1 in-person session will be held:

Saskatoon
Battleford

November 15, 18 & 20
November 22, 25 & 27

U7 Mentorship visits are beginning! Contact Blaine Stork if you have someone interested in becoming a mentor in your MHA or Region.

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Grassroots Programming

Developing Defensemen PD Camp Location/Dates and Registration

<https://hockeysask.ca/players/development-programs/developing-defencemen>

Wilkie	-	November 23 rd
Luseland	-	November 27 th
Radville	-	December 1 st

Goaltender PD Location/Dates and Registration

<https://hockeysask.ca/players/development-programs/goaltending>

Davidson	-	November 24 th
Radville	-	December 1 st
Kenaston	-	December 8 th

All Of The Sessions Will Be Run During The Day

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Sask First

Registration is now open for all players and coaches for Sask First Programming for this year.

Sask First Program Dates

November 30 – December 4, 2023	Male U15 (2009) Regional Camps	Lumsden, Aberdeen
Deadline is November 17		
December 28 – 30, 2023	Male U15 (2009) Top 160 Tournament	Regina
February 1 – 5, 2024	Male U18 (2006, 07, 08) Regional Camps	Lumsden, Aberdeen
	Female U18 (2007, 2008) Provincial Camp	Southey
	Female U16 (2009, 2010) Regional Camps	Pense, Dalmeny
February 16 – 18, 2024	Male U15 (2009) Top 80	Balgonie
April 5 – 7, 2024	Female U16 (2009, 2010) Top 136	Regina
April 12 – 14, 2024	Female U18 (2007, 2008) Top 80	Balgonie
April 12 – 14, 2024	Male U18 (2006, 07, 08) Top 160	Regina

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Hockey Sask Mobile App

The **Hockey Saskatchewan App** is available for free on both Apple and Android devices.

- Latest News
- Membership Presentation Videos
- Handbook
- Suspension Guide
- Affiliation Guide
- Provincial Brackets

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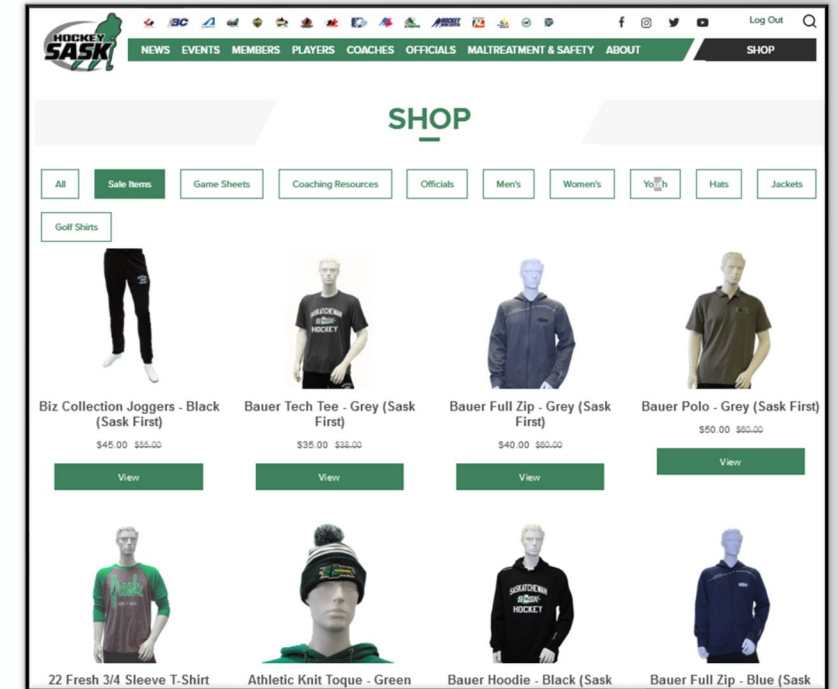


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