



HOCKEY SASKATCHEWAN

Membership Virtual Meeting

December 10, 2024

SHAPING CHARACTER FOR LIFE... MORE THAN A GAME.



Land Acknowledgement

Before we begin, Hockey Saskatchewan wants to start by acknowledging that we have attendees joining us from across the province whose work reaches lands covered by Treaties 2, 4, 5, 6, 8 and 10, the traditional lands of the Cree, Dakota, Dene, Lakota, Nakota and Saulteaux peoples, as well as homeland of the Métis.

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Hockey Saskatchewan

Vision:

- Shaping Character for Life... More Than A Game.

Mission:

- To Lead, Develop and Promote Positive Hockey Experiences for All.

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Values:

- **Fun**
 - We develop, grow, and compete with the joy of play while building lifelong bonds of friendship.
- **Safety**
 - We understand, honor, and promote the rules in a spirit that leads to the well-being of hockey participants.
- **Community**
 - Our game gives us the gift of togetherness and belonging. In this space, we support one another, collectively benefit from our shared pride, and strengthen Saskatchewan.
- **Respect**
 - Our game is honored through goodwill, leadership, and dignity.
- **Inclusivity**
 - Hockey can be for everyone, and this is demonstrated through a welcoming environment.
- **Passion**
 - A love for the game leads to the discovery of identity, pride, belonging, and character building.

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Agenda

- **Hockey Canada**
 - Hockey Canada Per Participant Fees – Increase for the 2025/26 season - Update
- **Hockey Saskatchewan**
 - Where Fun Wins!
 - Partnership with Positive Coaching Alliance
 - Values Webinar Series
 - MHA Matching Grant Program for 2024/25
 - U7/U9 Hockey
 - Video Review Policy
- **Registration**
- **Officiating Programs**
- **Coaching Programs**
- **Development Programs**
- **Hockey Day in Saskatchewan**
- **Other**

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Hockey Canada

Hockey Saskatchewan/Hockey Canada Per Participant Fees

As we have been reporting since September, Hockey Canada has been in discussion/negotiations with the thirteen Branches of Hockey Canada of what the Hockey Canada Per Participant Fees will be for the 2025/26 season.

A decision was made by the Hockey Canada Board of Directors to increase the Per Participant Rate from the Current \$3 per Participant to \$10.00.

Hockey Canada

Insurance	23.79
Assessment	10.00
Sport Safety	4.50
HCR Fee	<u>3.12</u>
	41.41 (previously \$29.73)

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Where Fun Wins

A Grassroots Initiative

- **Fostering Youth Participation**
 - Targeting U7, U9, and U11 divisions
 - Emphasizing the joy of hockey through grassroots development
- **Inclusive and Welcoming Environment**
 - Focus on ensuring every child feels welcomed, valued, and excited to participate
- **Progressive Ice Surfaces for Skill Development**
 - U7: Cross-ice games for more puck touches and engagement
 - U9: Half-ice games for intermediate skill development
 - U11: Full-ice games to apply learned skills
- **Physical and Personal Growth**
 - Hockey promotes lifelong physical fitness, teamwork, and personal development
- **Comprehensive Resources for Players, Parents, and Officials**
 - Website offers guides and resources to enhance enjoyment and participation in hockey

U7: [VIDEO LINK](#)

U9: [VIDEO LINK](#)

U11: [VIDEO LINK](#)



VISIT:

www.HockeySask.ca/Where-Fun-Wins

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Hockey Saskatchewan

Values Webinar Series

Educational Webinar Series based in Hockey Saskatchewan Values will be held each month. Please join us and help encourage your members to join as well.

Up next:

December 18th, 12:00pm - Community

A round table with previous hosts of Hockey Day in Saskatchewan

January 23rd, 7:00pm - Fun

The Fun Integration Theory with Dr. Amanda Visek

Pre-registration for all webinars will be required

Previous webinar recordings can be found on our website in the Events section



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Hockey Saskatchewan

MHA Matching Grant Program – 2024/25

The Board of Directors have approved another MHA Matching Grant Program for the 2024/25 season in support of MHA's across the Province in the support 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.

Power Skating services must be targeted towards the U7 to U13 age groups within an MHA and must have occurred from September 2024 to December 2024.

Power Skating Certification must be obtained by December 31, 2024.

Online Applications can be submitted now and up till February 28, 2025

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

Plus one of the 5 designations below:

a) Hockey Canada Certified Skills Coach (Level 3)

- Delivered by Hockey Canada
- Topics include: Skating, Skills, Defenseman, Shooting & Scoring,
- Hockey Network APP training
- Application process to attend, hosted biannually by Hockey Canada

b) Hockey Saskatchewan Licensee

- Recognized by Hockey Saskatchewan in these categories: power skating, skills, Power Skating, skills, checking, developing defenseman, goaltending.
- Attend a Hockey Sask Professional Development Training Session

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c) CanPower Skate - Delivered by Skate Canada

d) Hockey Saskatchewan Skills Coach Level

e) Hockey Sask Skating Coach – November 2 in Caronport (First Clinic held in August in Saskatoon with 27 people in attendance)

- Course material is from Hockey Canada; Skating 1a, Skating 1 & Skating 2
- Ice sessions to target; edges, striding & transitions.
- Additional Class sessions include: use of technology, skill progressions, skill analysis
- 10 Lesson plans are being developed for attendees.

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Hockey Saskatchewan – Handbook – Governance (Website/App)

All Bylaws Regulations, Policies and Procedures are now housed on the Website/App under the Members tab and Governance

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

Casebooks for Affiliation and Suspensions – Reminder

<https://hockeysask.ca/members/mha-toolbox>

Regulations

All teams across the country can dress twenty players (18 skaters and 2 goalies) per game in any age group.

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Hockey Saskatchewan ‘Carded’ Hockey

“Carded” Hockey

Weekends are as follows:

December 13 – 15

January 10 – 12

February 14 – 16

March 28 – 30

- As of December 1st, Carded Teams can begin to practice once a week

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Hockey Saskatchewan Provincial Playoffs

Provincial Teams

- December 15th – Deadline for Female U13 Provincial Roster submissions
- December 20th – Deadline for Minor Provincial Roster submissions
- December 30th – Deadline for Senior Provincial Roster submissions

Provincial Team Orientation (mandatory for all teams via zoom):

- U13 - Monday January 6th – 6:00 pm
- U18 – Monday January 6th – 7:30 pm
- U15 – Tuesday January 7th – 6:00 pm
- Senior – Tuesday January 7th – 7:30 pm

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Hockey Saskatchewan U7 and U9 Hockey

Reminder of the following! This is the Note following Hockey Saskatchewan Regulation 6.04.14

NOTE: Any coach, team and/or association found to be non-compliant with the U7 Cross-Ice format at any time during the season; or the U9 Half-Ice format; or the seasonal maximum game limits for U7, U9 and U11, will be subject to sanctions from both the Minor Hockey Association and/or Hockey Saskatchewan.

- Sanctions may include but are not limited to:

Head Coach suspension

Minor Hockey Association (and members) not being able to enter Hockey Saskatchewan Provincial Playoffs.

Minor Hockey Association (and members) not being able to host any Hockey Saskatchewan sanctioned event.

Minor Hockey Association (and members) not being able to attend any Hockey Saskatchewan sanctioned event.

Minor Hockey Association's Hockey Saskatchewan membership reviewed.

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Officiating Programs

Officiating

Officials Registration Deadline

- The deadline to complete all required certification is **December 19, 2024 (Date of the last virtual clinic date)**.
- Currently there are close to 3,000 Officials Certified, which also means there are about 1000 that have not completed their certification yet.
- All officials who were certified last season are good up until December 31, but if they don't recertify, they can't work games in January.
- Please remember to track your local officials progress and help them to get across the finish line based on the link to the Master Contact List

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/18pRDfARFM-XZZHmZ67ruPTFaGPMofDR4uBoGNO__IgU/edit?usp=sharing

Thanks Stripes Weekend

- January 24-26, 2025 will be Hockey Saskatchewan's Thanks Stripes Weekend. We want to encourage all associations to acknowledge their officials and official coaches in whatever way they can. Some examples are canteen vouchers, prizes, pre-game announcements, awards, etc.

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Officiating Programs

Discipline/Video Review

- If there is any request made to alter a call that was made during a game or to video review a situation that occurred, nothing can be amended/changed without the approval of the Hockey Saskatchewan Coordinator Discipline.
- The following is a link to the Hockey Saskatchewan Video Review Policy
<https://hockeysask.ca/members/governance/video-review-policy>
- A memo has been sent out to Leagues and MHA's to help clarify the process. The MHA President must sign off on the video submission – we strongly recommend the President reviewing the video before submitting it to ensure it is a legitimate request.
- **The expense is \$100 to submit the video and if a call is altered, \$50 is returned.**

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Officiating Program

Game Sheets

- It is becoming more difficult to read and decipher game sheets that come into the office. We need to ensure that off-ice officials review the Off-ice officials Manual.
- <https://hockeysask.ca/officials/resources>

11.4 Maltreatment Awareness

- Everyone needs to do a better job of understanding what is not appropriate in the arena. Times are changing and players, coaches, officials and fans need to understand guidelines, consequences and expectations. Information was shared and posted here:

<https://hockeysask.ca/safe-sport/maltreatment-investigation-process/maltreatment-investigator/rule-11---maltreatment/maltreatment-awareness-day>

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Coaching Program

Respect in Sport:

- **We are seeing too many COACHES/TEAM STAFF without the Respect in Sport on their qualifications.**
 - Cannot substitute Respect Officials
 - Cannot substitute Respect Parent
 - MUST COMPLETE, RESPECT IN SPORT ACTIVITY LEADER
 - Use this link: <https://hockeysask.respectgroupinc.com/>
- ****This must be completed and on the qualifications of a coach/team staff member to be able to register for another course**
- ****Respect in Sport from another sport can be used, however it must be on the coach/team staff member qualifications.**
- the coach/team staff member must Import the RESPECT IN SPORT into the system, see the instructions below.
- Use this link: <https://hockeysask.respectgroupinc.com/>
- - select IMPORT YOUR CERTIFICATE
- - fill out all the required information.

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Coaching Program

Clinics:

- Coach 1, Coach 2 & Goaltending 1 do not have an ice sessions, these courses are delivered online
- chart shows the order of completion for each course

	STEP 1	STEP 2	STEP 3
COACH 1 INTRO	Respect in Sport	Skating 1	Hockey Canada Coach 1
Coach 2 Level	Respect in Sport	COURSE	Hockey Canada Coach 2
Checking 1	Respect in Sport	Hockey Canada Checking skills 1	Attend ice session
Goaltending	Respect in Sport	Goaltending 1 online	No ice session



Coaching Program

AA/AAA certifications

- A reminder these are provincial leagues and as such coaches must have the correct certifications to be rostered **after December 20**.
- The Hockey Sask Coaching Requirement page has all the information <https://hockeysask.ca/coaches/certification-requirements>

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Coaching Program

MENTORSHIP:

- We are looking to support associations who operate their own Mentorship program with training, resources & finances. We have expanded our mentorship to include U7, U9 & U11
- Hockey Saskatchewan will support your Mentor program in the following ways:
- Financial support: Hockey Sask formula for payment example, (# of U7 teams) x (2 visits per team) x \$75
- Hockey Sask will provide one (1) Hockey Network App code to each of your U7 team's Head Coach
- Mentor Training:
 - In these areas: Hockey Canada Skating 1, Skills 1, Hockey APP, planning, Facilitator, CanPowerSkate, communication skills, coach evaluation, NCCP Mentorship

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Coaching Program

Western Branch U11 Newsletter

The Western Branches of Hockey Canada – BC Hockey, Hockey Alberta, Hockey Saskatchewan, Hockey Manitoba, and Hockey North – are excited to bring you the third newsletter of our 2024-2025 U11 Development Support Program! We hope you'll find the resources we share with you with this season useful as you deliver U11 hockey in your region and help your first-year U11 players successfully transition from half-ice to full-ice.

November topics:

- U11 player pathway

- Skill spotlight on Passing

- Game Habits

- Teaching: Icing / Offsides / Faceoffs

- Communication: Coaches with Officials

- Assistant Coach Responsibilities

- Hockey Canada Gold Medal Pathway GMP

<https://hockeysask.ca/where-fun-wins/under-11/under-11-resources>

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Coaching Program

QUALIFICATIONS DEFICIENCY REPORTS:

- Instructions on how to create a “Rostered Participant Deficiency Report”, was shared in October with the MHA Presidents
- Contact Blaine Stork if you have questions
- Ph: 306.789.5101
- Email: blaines@hockeysask.ca

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Grassroots Programming

Developing Defense PD Sessions

Below are the sessions currently booked. There could be more dates and locations added.

- January 2nd Saskatoon – MBP
- January 28th Regina

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

Goalie PD Sessions

Below are the sessions currently booked. There could be more dates and locations added.

- January 6th Southey
- March 10th Indian Head

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

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Grassroots Programming

Cross Ice Jamborees:

- There are still some weekends open in the New Year to host.
- 2024-25 Schedule: <https://hockeysask.ca/programs/development-programs/u7-cross-ice-jamborees/cross-ice-jamboree-schedule>

U9 Half Ice Celebrations:

- There are still some weekends open in the New Year to host.
- 2024/25 Schedule: <https://hockeysask.ca/programs/development-programs/half-ice-events/u9-half-ice-event-schedule>

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Grassroots Programming

U13 Female Futures

- This is a U13 Spring Program.

There are two weekends involved in this Program.

Camp Weekend: April 25-27th, 2025 Regina (Co-Operators Centre)

Tournament Weekend: May 9-11th, 2025 Regina (Co-Operators Centre)

- ****REGISTRATION WILL OPEN JANUARY 2025. LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE!****

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Cross-Ice Jamborees – SaskMilk Program

Through Hockey Saskatchewan's partnership with SaskMilk, all Under-7 Cross-Ice Jamboree hosts can purchase dairy products such as chocolate milk for their event participants and receive reimbursement up to a maximum amount of \$100.00 (after tax).

To qualify for reimbursement, please submit proof of purchase (photo of receipt) to Matt Miller using the post-event form that is emailed to each event host. We also encourage posting on social media or sending in photos post-event so we can further promote this initiative! 😊

***Please note that the cheque will be sent to and made payable to the MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION directly and will be sent from SaskMilk.*



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Sask First

December 2024

- December 15, 2024 – Sask First Para Camp Outlook, Sk.
- December 28-30, 2024 – Male U15 (2010) Sask First Top 160 Tournament – Regina, Sk.

January 2025

- **Registration Deadline Male U18 Female U16/ U18 January 17th \$135.00.**
- **Registration Deadline Male U18 Female U16/ U18 January 24th with late fee \$185.00**

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Sask First

February 2025

- January 31- February 2, 2025 – Male U18 (2009, 2008, 2007) Sask First Regional Camps Male Lumsden & Aberdeen, Sk.
- January 31- February 2, 2025 – Female U18 (2008/2009) Sask First Provincial Camp Female Southey, Sk.
- January 31- February 2, 2025 –Female U16 (2010/2011) Sask First Regional Camps Female Pense & Dalmeny, Sk.
- February 14-16, 2025 – Male U15 (2010) Sask First Top 80 Tournament Balgonie, Sk.

April 2025

- April 4-6, 2025 – Sask First **Female** U16 (2010/2011) Top 136 Tournament – Regina, Sk.
- April 11-13, 2025, - Sask First **Female** U18 (2008/2009) Top 80 Tournament – Balgonie, Sk.
- April 11-13, 2025 – Sask First **Male** U18 (2009, 2008, 2007) Top 160 Tournament – Regina, Sk.

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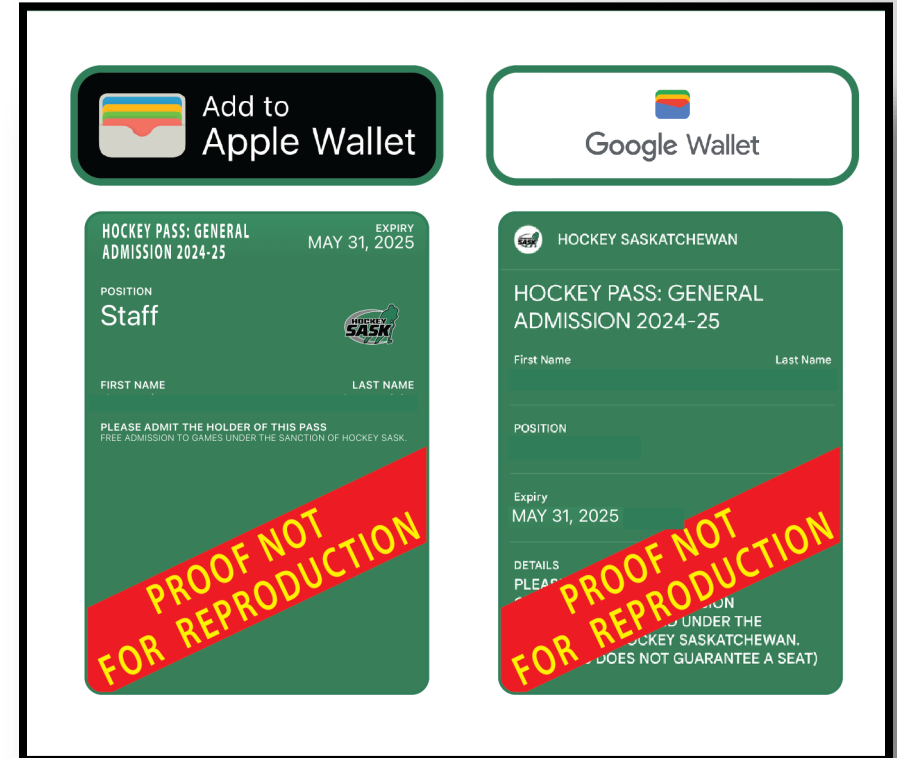


New Digital Hockey Pass

- **NEW digital hockey pass for 2024-25 season**
 - Staff of Hockey Saskatchewan
 - Board of Directors of Hockey Saskatchewan
 - Officiating Coaches / Supervisors

*This is in place of the laminated card that was used in past seasons.

- Please admit the holder of the digital pass, free admission to all games under sanction of Hockey Saskatchewan.
- Pass does not guarantee a seat.



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Hockey Day in Saskatchewan

- **Hockey Day in Saskatchewan**

Canora will serve as the Host of the 2025 Hockey Day in Saskatchewan event that was held the weekend of January 17 – 19, 2025.

- The rotation is as follows:

- 2025/26 Zone 3 Call for Applications will be made in February 2025 with an April 1 deadline.
- 2026/27 Zone 7
- 2027/28 Zone 1
- 2028/29 Zone 5
- 2029/30 Zone 8
- 2030/31 Zone 4





Esso Medals

Program Highlights:

- Program runs until March 31st, 2025.
- The program aims to provide tools for coaches, administrators, managers, and league/association directors to enhance the experience of youth hockey players of all ages through the recognition of values-based, character enhancing achievements that help youth realize their potential on and off the ice.
- The program is free and available to minor hockey teams across Canada while quantities last.
- Players, parents, and organizations can share their medals moments on social media with hashtag **#essomedals** to share players' achievements.

Each Esso Medals kit includes:

- 3 Medals (Most Dedicated, Most Improved, and Most Team Spirit)
- 18 Autographed Certificates of Achievement signed by Marie-Philip Poulin and Fraser Minten.

To register, visit www.essomedals.com/register



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World Junior 50/50

Launch Details:

- Hockey Saskatchewan & Hockey Canada introduce an online 50/50 raffle.
- Supports grassroots hockey in Saskatchewan.

Fund Allocation:

- 50% to winners, 50% to support grassroots hockey in Sask.

Raffle Draw Dates:

- **Draw #1:** Dec. 26, 2024 (Opens Dec. 4, 2024).
- **Draw #2:** Dec. 31, 2024 (Opens Dec. 26, 2024).
- **Draw #3:** Jan. 5, 2025 (Opens Dec. 31, 2024).

Ticket Prices:

- 1 for \$10, 25 for \$25, 50 for \$50, 250 for \$100, 999 for \$200.

Purchase Details:

- Tickets available starting Dec. 4, 2024.
- Visit hockey-saskatchewan.myshopify.com.



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