HALLOCK YOUTH HOCKEY



2023-2024 HANDBOOK

Purpose of Handbook

The purpose of this handbook is to communicate the goals, expectations, and responsibilities of everyone associated with Hallock Youth Hockey. Most problems can be headed off or diminished by good communication, and we hope this handbook is a step in that direction. Please note that the Hallock Youth Hockey Board will make future changes as needed.

Hallock Youth Hockey Association, Inc

Hallock Youth Hockey Association, Inc. is a nonprofit organization, governed by the rules of District 16, Minnesota Hockey, and USA hockey.

Important Websites/Pages

Hallock Youth Hockey Webpage: http://www.hallockyouthhockey.com Hallock Youth Hockey Email: hallockyouthhockey.com

Hallock Youth Hockey Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/hallockyouthhockey

Hallock Ice Arena Facebook:

https://www.facebook.com/pages/Hallock-Ice-Aren/156017544477032

USA Hockey Website: http://usahockey.com

Minnesota Hockey Website: http://www.minnesotahockey.org

District 16 Website: http://www.d16hockey.org

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1. Registration

- **a.** HYH has open registration beginning July 1st each year. All registration is done online via our website: www.hallockyouthhockey.com. Once you have completed the online registration, you will bring the necessary paperwork to the sign-up night.
 - i. You must register with USA Hockey prior to registering with Hallock Youth Hockey.
- **b.** All fees are paid online via debit or credit card.
- **c.** NOTE: any player who has not previously registered with USA Hockey must provide a copy of his/her birth certificate.
- **d.** If you have questions regarding registration, please contact the Registrar, Lindsey Gullickson, at 218-368-3554 or lgullickson@kittson.k12.mn.us.
- **e.** During the registration process, you will be asked to provide an email address. Please use one that you check regularly. This will be our main communication point with you.
- **f.** Please make an effort to register on time, as a "late fee" of \$25.00 will be assessed to all returning players who do not sign up by September 6th, 2019.
- g. Minnesota Hockey Age Ranges
 - i. 6U Tiny Mite (Born June 1, 2017 and later)
 - ii. 8U Termite (June 1, 2015 to May 31, 2017)
 - iii. 8U Mite (June 1, 2013 to May 31, 2015)
 - iv. 10U Squirt (June 1, 2011 to May 31, 2013)
 - v. 12U Peewee (June 1, 2009 to May 31, 2011)
 - vi. 14U Bantam (June 1, 2007 to May 31, 2009)

h. Fees:

i.	6U Tiny Mite	\$125
ii.	8U(Termites)	\$200
iii.	8U(Mites)	\$225
iv.	Squirts	\$275
V.	Peewee	\$275
vi.	Bantam	\$275
vii.	Family Cap	\$550

2. Move Up Policy

- **a.** The term "moving up" refers to a player playing up from his/her Minnesota Hockey age group.
- **b.** Any parent/guardian wishing to move their player out of his/her age group must bring their request before the Hallock Youth Hockey Association Board of Directors for approval by the board to change the set age category and division of said player.
- **c.** Factors to be considered:
 - i. Grade Level of Player HYH will honor the "peering up" option to any players who have a summer birthday and started Kindergarten at the age of 5. These players will have the choice to "peer up" with their classmates if they choose to do so.
 - ii. The best interests of the program.

- 1. How does it affect numbers in each age group?
- **2.** Due to a shortage of numbers, this factor could allow a player to move up and play to form a competitive team.
- 3. Is the player not being challenged at the current level?
- **d.** Depending on the number of players who want to "move up," tryouts will take place. Evaluators and current coach will observe players over three practices. Coaches, along with evaluators commentary, will have the final decision on who will "move up."
- **e.** Players are required to participate in their own official division practices, scrimmages, and games. No "move up" or "move down" for practices, scrimmages, or games throughout the hockey season is allowed unless approved by all coaches.
- **f.** Player's parent/guardian will have final discretion to keep players at current age level or to accept the "move up" if they are chosen to move up.
- g. Hallock Youth Hockey does not allow players to "play down" a level unless approval is obtained from District 16 and Minnesota Hockey prior to approval by the Board of Directors.

3. Equipment Handout

4. Paperwork

- a. These forms need to be filled out completely and turned in prior to practicing.
 - i. USA Hockey SafeSport & HYH Locker Room Policy
 - ii. Contact Information
 - iii. HYH Photo Release Form
 - iv. USA Hockey & HYH Participant Code of Conduct

5. Fundraising

- **a.** HYH depends on a variety of fundraising methods/events throughout the year to help keep the arena and our program running. As part of the Hallock Youth Hockey Association, all skaters/parents are expected to participate in ALL fundraising.
 - i. Heggies Pizza At the beginning of the season, we will be selling Heggies pizza. We will sell pizzas from mid November to the end of November with pizzas being delivered mid December.
 - **ii. Steak Fry -** During the year, the HYH holds two Steak Frys, both held at the Eagles in Hallock. Parents are required to participate. The Steak Frys are held on or before Christmas Break and the Senior Hockey Tournament in March. Each steak fry will have designated teams scheduled to work them.
 - **iii. Hallock Ice Arena Food Stand -** As a user of the Hallock Ice Arena, you will be expected to work in the Hallock Arena Food Stand at the Kittson County Fair in the summer. Working is based on the previous hockey season. Parents are expected to work one shift each and players 4th grade and over are expected to also work every other year. This could change in the future. We do get a percentage of the funds raised at the Arena Food Stand to go to our association.

iv. Canteen - Working in the canteen is also required by parents of all hockey players at each level. You will be put into a group to work a 5-week time period for all hockey games/jamborees scheduled at the Hallock Ice Arena.

Canteen Parent Representatives:

Termites: Anna Woinarowicz
Mite 1: Tiffany Hemmes
Mite 2: Anna Woinarowicz
Squirts: Nicole Johnson

Peewees: Melissa Woinarowicz

Bantams: Courtney Olsonawski, Tiffany Younggren, Lindsey Gullickson

Varsity: Miranda Gustafson, Jessie Muir

Scheduling:

Jessie Muir (218) 988-0068

Arena schedules will be emailed out every two weeks and are available on our website. If you would like to get on the mailing list for arena schedules, please send an email to hallockyouthhockey@gmail.com

Equipment Manager	<u>Fundraising</u>
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<u>Arena Employees</u> <u>Learn to Skate</u>

David Bergh (218) 843-3374 Tori Younggren

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