

Angel City Derby

Teams, Tryouts and Membership Policy Information

2023-2024 Season

Angel City Derby Teams in 2023-2024

We have created this play structure with the goal of building a system that meets people where they are at. It allows for maximum flexibility in participation, whilst ensuring equal access to competitive play opportunities for all teams and players.

By having a full spectrum (A/B/C/D) of teams in the GUR in addition to the Travel Team in the Championships Track Bracket, both with low commitment requirements, we hope to make Angel City Derby accessible to all whilst maintaining a focus on competitive play and individual development.

Tryouts will happen across two dates: Tuesday April 4, and Saturday April 8.

Tuesday will be a skills portion and Saturday will be a scrimmage. Please try to be at both.

There will be two tryouts:

- 1. For a team placed in the GUR Bracket. All existing Angel City teams will be placed in the GUR for the 2023-2024 season.**

A - Hollywood Scarlets
B - Rocket Queens
C - Shore Shots
D - Road Ragers

- 2. West Regional Bracket - (Championships Track Bracket)**

Angel City Derby (ACD) TravelTeam

- Name suggestion: **Regional AngelCity Derby (RAD Team)**

For descriptions of the Geographically Unrestricted Bracket (GUR) and Regional Bracket, please reference the WFTDA Competitive Play Changes: [Explanation videos and documents](#)

You can also read the first page of [notes from the League Meeting on February 1](#) for a short recap.

The [2023 games calendar in-progress schedule is here](#), and we are continuing to add games to the schedule.

General Information on both teams:

- Skaters can play for both a team in the GUR and RAD, and are eligible to be rostered for teams in both brackets simultaneously.
- All skaters that try out will be placed on a team, but are not guaranteed a spot on both an ACD GUR team and the Regional Travel Team.

- Dual membership is welcomed. To be rostered for games with any ACD team, skaters must meet eligibility requirements and have active member status.
- A competitive season of games will be booked for all teams.
- Once tryouts are completed, we will know how many teams we can fill for placement in the GUR. We will fill from the A team down.
- The number of active GUR teams will fluctuate as membership fluctuates.
- This system will ensure every skater in the league will be on an active team with upcoming scheduled games to allow for development opportunities.
- This system will allow all skaters an opportunity to play competitive games, regardless of the time they have to personally commit to Angel City.
- All practices are open to all league members.
 - The first half of each practice will be focused on skills. The second half of each practice will be focused on team packwork, so all skaters will be able to practice with the members of their own team.
 - Specific teams may have additional scheduled practices in the lead up to a game.
- This structure will be re-evaluated in 2024. At the end of the season, members will be asked for feedback so we can continue to provide a structure that meets people where they are at.

GUR Teams Information

- ACD teams in the GUR will have a roster with a minimum of 17 skaters and a maximum of 20 skaters.
- GUR teams may play games locally or nationally. They are not limited to geographically local play.
- Teams will have no attendance policy, but they will have eligibility requirements for game rosters.
 - Roster Eligibility:
 - Attending a minimum of 25% of the available practices within the 6-week period following roster selection in advance of the game.
 - No attendance policy outside gaming period applies.
 - Skaters must meet membership requirements outlined below including:
 - Hold WFTDA insurance
 - Pay a monthly membership fee
 - Pay for practices they attend that are not covered by their chosen level of membership (or apply for financial aid)
 - Hold a volunteer job at ACD (or pay a monthly job waiver fee)
 - Abide by the Code of Conduct
- **Trying Out / Team Placements:**
 - Skaters can be placed on a GUR team at our twice annual tryouts.
 - Skaters will be placed on a GUR team suited to their ability, filling the teams from the A team downwards.

- When skaters join Angel City (either as a transfer or returning member), they will be assessed for placement on a GUR team (if they desire). Skaters can apply to be considered for a GUR team outside the tryouts period.
- Skaters will be assessed across two training sessions (one skills practice, one scrimmage) by several coaches. Skaters will be placed on the GUR team most suited to their assessed skill level.
- **Selecting Rosters:**
 - Gaming schedule will be shared with all skaters. Skaters will self-nominate if they are interested and available to play the upcoming game for their respective team.
 - Rosters will be selected 6 weeks out from the scheduled game.
 - When creating a game roster, first priority spots will go to the members of the respective GUR team opting-into that game. Any spots not filled by those team members will be available to opt-in by other skaters in other GUR teams for consideration to play.

ACD Travel Team Structure and Eligibility:

- This is the regionally competitive team (currently placed in the West Region) vying for a playoffs spot and eventually a championships bid.
- The team will have a minimum roster of 20 skaters, but can fluctuate up to 25 players outside the tryouts periods.
- **Trying Out / Team Placements:**
 - To join the ACD Travel Team skaters must either try out, transfer in, or apply to be considered.
 - Skaters can try out at the thrice yearly tryouts in Spring, Fall, and Winter. The entire team's roster will be reassessed at these three points during the 2023-2024 season.
 - Skaters can transfer into the ACD Travel Team from other leagues. Skaters will be considered on a case-by-case basis and assessed across two training sessions (one skills practice, one scrimmage) by several coaches.
 - Skaters can apply to be considered outside the tryouts period. Skaters will be considered on a case-by-case basis and assessed across two training sessions (one skills practice, one scrimmage) by several coaches. Skaters can only be added to the ACD Travel Team via application if the number of eligible skaters currently on the team is 25 or fewer.
- **Roster Eligibility:**
 - ACD Travel Team members are required to make 50% of the available practices in the 8 weeks leading up to a game to be considered for rostering.
 - No attendance policy outside gaming period applies.
 - Skaters must meet membership requirements outlined below including
 - Hold WFTDA insurance
 - Pay a monthly membership fee to ACD
 - Pay for practices they attend that are not covered by their chosen level of membership (or apply for financial aid)
 - Hold a volunteer job at ACD (or pay a monthly job waiver fee)

- Abide by the Code of Conduct
- **Selecting Rosters:**
 - Coaches have 4 weeks to observe available skaters to select a roster for the upcoming game / tournament.
 - A roster will then be selected 4 weeks out from a game (for a total 8/wk cycle)

Membership

Members of ACD must maintain the following requirements:

- Members of ACD must meet one of the following definitions:
 - Active Skating Member
 - Includes Injured Skaters + Medical Exemptions
 - Active Staff Member
 - Active Coach
 - Active Official
 - Active Volunteer
- Members of ACD must follow the Code of Conduct
- Any skating member must keep current WFTDA insurance
- Members must contribute actively to the continued success of ACD and "buy-in" to the league in the following ways in order to be considered an "active" member and maintain eligibility for team rosters:
 - Hold a league job or volunteer for the league in some capacity.
 - If members do not wish to hold a league job, they may pay an additional monthly job waiver fee as detailed below.
 - Meet eligibility requirements for your team
 - Pay a monthly membership fee (see dues structure below)
 - Skaters who need financial assistance meeting membership buy-in requirements can apply by emailing leadership@angelcityderby.com and finance@angelcityderby.com to determine how you can best participate with the community

Dues Structure

Dues are to cover the operating costs of the league and are essential to its existence. Skaters are expected to pay their dues for as long as they are an active member, regardless of attendance.**

- Drop in fee for visiting skaters - \$20
- Rookie League Membership - \$50 a month
- Standard League Membership* - \$65 a month
- Affiliate League Membership* - \$25 a month, plus \$15 drop in fee per session skated.
- Guardian Angel Membership - \$90 a month

*Standard League Membership and Affiliate League Membership are subject to an additional \$20 per month fee if skaters do not wish to hold a league job.

****Financial hardship will be considered for all members of any level on a case-by-case basis. Please contact leadership@angelcityderby.com and finance@angelcityderby.com**

Additionally, members must pay a once-annual \$20 registration fee to offset operating expenses. 2023 Season Registration will offset costs including WFTDA membership, annual league insurance policy, administrative costs including business licenses, taxes, etc.

Definition of Various Membership Levels

Rookie League Membership

New skaters enrolled in our rookies program. Skaters have individualized training at one eligible practice per week.

Standard League Membership

Skaters placed on any Angel City team. Skaters have two eligible practices per week and are expected to hold a league job unless they opt out with the additional \$20 monthly job waiver fee.

Affiliate League Membership

membership for ACD teams. Skaters may be members of multiple leagues, but wish to be considered for ACD rosters of any team. Skaters have two eligible practices per week (drop-in fees apply; see dues structure above) and are expected to hold a league job unless they opt out with the additional \$20 monthly job waiver fee.

Guardian Angel Membership

This is a standard league membership with an additional tax deductible donation of \$25. The donation will be pooled to support members experiencing financial hardship.

Now that you have read this, please fill out the following [Google Form for Tryouts](#)

If you have questions after reading this entire doc, please email leadership@angelcityderby.com