



EAST HANTS MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION (EHMHA)

Tryout Process (Applicable to ALL Rep Teams - Effective September 1, 2025)

1. EHMHA is committed to a transparent tryout process.
2. All players registered for tryouts prior to the deadline will be placed on a Tryout Team. The number of Tryout Teams will depend on the number of registered players. The initial Tryout Team(s) are determined both alphabetically and positionally.
3. EHMHA will ensure that there are an appropriate number of skills/drills and game sessions for evaluations. This will be assessed prior to tryouts based on registration numbers. Please note that the bench coach/on ice helper will have no child trying out for a Rep team in the same division in which they are the bench coach/on ice helper.
4. An addition to the games and player evaluation sessions, there will be one goalie evaluation session where a goalie evaluator will grade the goalies. The ranking will range from 1-5, with 5 being the highest. There are varying skill sets for forwards, defense and goalies which will be referenced with the players' overall ranking.
5. Each evaluation session will be evaluated by a minimum of three independent evaluators with every effort made to have more than three. This does not apply to the goalie evaluation session.
6. To be able to participate as an evaluator, the evaluator will not operate any privately owned hockey schools or have a child in the same division being evaluated. EHMHA will try to ensure the evaluator(s) have not previously coached the group being evaluated in EHMHA.
6. The evaluators will each assign an overall ranking to each player following every evaluation game and skills session.

7. The evaluators will use Gray Jay for the ranking of all players in all divisions. In the situation in which two or more players have an identical ranking placement will be as follows;
 - 7.1: If one player played on the team the year prior will get the spot
 - 7.2: If one player is in their last year of the division they will get the spot
 - 7.3: If still undetermined after 7.2, VP Operations will review the evaluators' notes to make the decision on proper placement.
8. The selection process will be solely based on the evaluators' ranking. The EHMHA executive and coaches will have no influence on these rankings unless in the event of a tie as explained above in 7.3
9. All Rep teams will be composed of 15 players and 2 goalies (when 2 goalies are possible).
10. At no time will the EHMHA executive release the results of the players ranking from tryouts. The VP of Operations can provide feedback on areas where the evaluators feel there is a need for improvement if requested between 24 hours and 14 days.