



## 2023-2024 Volunteer Policy

Wayzata Youth Hockey depends on its volunteers to support a quality hockey program for all our youth athletes. The time, talent and energy that each family contributes help WYHA offset the cost of playing hockey.

**ALL FAMILIES (SINGLE PLAYER AND MULTI-PLAYER) ARE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE):**

### 10 VOLUNTEER HOURS (Per Family)

- The season runs May 1, 2023 through April 30, 2024
- A family may fulfill the volunteer requirement by fulfilling a season long, exempt from dibs claiming position called an exempt role i.e. Coach, Team Manager, Treasurer, WYHA Board position, Dibs Coordinator, Blueline President, Webmaster or by claiming dibs opportunities that will be posted throughout the season i.e. try out support, timekeeper, scorekeeper etc.
- It is your responsibility to seek volunteer opportunities or select the buyout option described below which is only available at the time of registration
- Mini-Mite families are not required to complete hours if they only have mini-mite players

**There are two types of volunteering we ask of families throughout the season.**

#### 1. Association Volunteering

*These hours support the Wayzata Youth Hockey Association benefiting all players throughout our program. These can be applied to your family requirement of 10 hours.*

There are numerous opportunities posted throughout the season on the "DIBS" page of our WYHA website which can be found under the "more" tab of the WYHA website. Those opportunities include, but are not limited to tryout support, tournament support, team picture support, mite madness support etc. This year approximately 4,200 hours of volunteer time will be posted to DIBS.

In addition, there are exempt positions available that will allow an individual to support WYHA throughout the year. Exempt roles include but are not limited to, coaches, team managers, travel team treasurers, committee and board members for various events, etc.

#### 2. Team Volunteering

*Every family is **expected** to participate in team specific volunteering that supports their player's team, as an active, supportive part of the team community – therefore, these do not apply to your family requirement of 10 hours.*

Examples of supporting the team are: Running the clock, scorekeeping or working the penalty box during your child's team games, locker room monitor duties etc... Where do I Claim Association Volunteer Opportunities?

Volunteer opportunities can be found under the “more” tab at [www.wayzatahockey.org](http://www.wayzatahockey.org) under the DIBS tab. You may complete your family volunteer obligation by claiming any opportunity posted at any time throughout the season. *It is each family responsibility to seek these opportunities out and claim hours to fulfill.*

If you have additional questions about claiming, fulfilling or viewing completed volunteer hours use the following link to our website at <http://www.wayzatahockey.org/page/show/315609-blueline-volunteer-hours-info> Once you have completed the opportunity you claimed you will need to go back in to DIBS and request the completion of your DIB items to have your fulfilled posted.

### **Who can claim a Volunteer Opportunity?**

Any family member age 21 and older may volunteer for any opportunity. Family members age 12-19 who are players in the WYHA may fulfill hours through the following roles: score keeper, time keeper, and penalty box for any Mite through Pee Wee and Girls 10U and 12U, if the individual has sought training on the equipment.

### **Volunteer Hours Buy Out Information**

You have the option to buy out your volunteer hours if you so choose. You **must** submit your buy out payment with your registration form/payment. The buyout fees are \$600.00.

*Please keep in mind that the goal of the Volunteer Policy is to distribute the huge workload among all of the WYHA families and the billing for unfulfilled hours is not intended as a fundraiser.*

### **Volunteer Hours “No Show” Information**

If a family has signed up for a volunteer opportunity and does not complete that opportunity, for whatever reason, they will either be billed \$100 per hour that was missed or will need to complete double the hours they missed in addition to their requirement. The volunteer coordinator will work with the family to determine how they would like to handle the no show.

### **End of Season Insufficient Volunteer Hours Information:**

The association will also bill, at the end of the season, for any incomplete volunteer hours. They will be billed at \$100 per hour.

*If you do not complete your volunteer hours or pay for the hours you did not do, you will **NOT** be allowed to register your player(s) for the upcoming season.*

If you complete a portion of the required hours you will be billed \$100.00 for each unfulfilled hour up to the maximum (\$800 per family). All unfilled hours must be cleared up prior to the start of the next season.

### **Hardship Policy**

On occasion, there are families that are experiencing a hardship and are unable to fulfill their volunteer hour commitment. **Volunteer hours are NOT to be shared or transferred from one family to another without BlueLine approval.** To get approval, please send a note explaining the circumstance to: **WYHA BlueLine - P.O. Box 46381, Plymouth, MN 55446**

### **Health Coordinator**

We do not anticipate the need for Health Coordinator roles this season.