

MYHA FAQ'S

What level would my kid be?

Skating level is determined by age according to Minnesota Hockey Regulations. Depending on birthdates, Rookies are 4-7 years old, Mites are 7-8 years old, Squirts are 9-10 years old, PeeWees are 11-12 years old, Bantams are 13-15 years old. Junior Gold is 16-18 years. There are separate girl's teams from Mites up to Bantam. Specific age info is here: [\(MN Hockey Age Chart Link\)](#)

When would practices be?

Rookies typically practice on Wednesdays and play games on Sundays.

Mites/8U practice on Mondays and Thursdays, with games on Saturdays and/or Sundays

Squirts practice on Tuesdays and Thursdays, with In House games on Saturdays and/or Sundays. Squirt Travel Teams would have games or tournaments on the weekends.

PeeWee/12U and Bantam/15U practices are scheduled by the coaches and ice availability.

What Equipment do I need?

Required equipment varies by level. That information is available in our [Rules and Regulations](#)

What is the Tobolt Lease?

Named after Scott Tobolt, it is a program that is intended to allow Rookies and Mite/8U to try hockey at a minimal expense by helping defray the cost of equipment. A deposit check is collected, and gear is issued. Once the year is over, the gear is turned back in and the check returned to you. For more information : <https://www.toboltfoundation.org/equipment-lease/> If you are in need of gear for your child, there will be specific dates where Tobolt will be handling equipment lease. (usually on our On-Site Registration nights) You will be emailed through the MYHA Sports NGIN, so watch for this information!

What are the total costs?

Every family pays a family membership of \$50. Current registration fees are: Rookies - \$175, Mite/8U \$225, Squirt/10U In House \$300. (If a Squirt/10U wants to be on the travel team, the total fee would be \$550) PeeWee/12U, Bantam/15U and Junior Gold are \$550 respectively. These fees can go up the later you register. [HERE is the Chart.](#)

To keep our registration costs down, each family is required to purchase raffle tickets. You have the option of re-selling them to recoup your costs. Tickets cost \$20 each. If you have one player, you purchase 30 raffle tickets. 2 players = 35 tickets, 3 or more players = 40 tickets. Again, you can re-sell them and get your money back, so it does not HAVE to cost you anything!

A Volunteer guarantee check of \$400 (per family) is collected and held (NOT cashed). Once you work your assignment, we shred the check.

Do I have to volunteer? What do I have to do?

The parents of the team your child is on will be assigned to work a home tournament held at MYHA. The jobs vary from rink clean-up to announcing and scorekeeping. On ice jobs have training videos on the Volunteer Hours tab on the website.

Money is tight, are there payment options?

Signing up as early as June allows for automatic on-line payments for registration. There is a Family max if player registration fees total over \$1100. Contact the office [before registering online](#) if you think you meet the Family Max criteria. If you choose to pay "offline" then full payment is due by November 15th, to include raffle and volunteer payments.

Scholarships for part of the registration fee is also available for low income families. Contact Elli at the office for more information. (218-233-5021) or admin@moorheadyouthhockey.com

Okay, I signed up, NOW what do I do?

[You should plan on attending the on-site Registration Night \(September 28\)](#) More info will come later in an email to you. That night, you will pay for and pick up your raffle tickets, write a volunteer check, and drop off any necessary forms. You will be given important dates and information on those nights, there are lots of people around to answer all your questions.

[An informational meeting is scheduled for October 10th by the hockey director.](#) That is a great chance to ask questions and understand our program. All members are encouraged to attend.

When can my child start skating?

Once they have hockey gear, On-Ice time begins in October. Open Hockey is scheduled by level, and that information can be found on the news feed on our website www.moorheadyouthhockey.com. Click on TEAMS, go to the LEVEL of play (i.e. Rookie, Mite, etc) and choose the Level of Play again. That is where you will find the skating schedule until teams are formed in November.

What exactly IS Open Hockey?

Open Hockey is skating time for registered players only and is scheduled by the skater's level. Anytime the kids are on the ice, they should be in full hockey gear to include sticks. This is NOT an organized practice.

Can I go out on the ice with my child?

Sorry, not typically. Anyone (child or adult) that goes on the ice should be USA Hockey Registered and comply with all USA Hockey Regulations regarding equipment. (that means full hockey gear).

My little one has never skated!

Kids are very resilient and learn quickly! At the Rookie level, the coaches start them out slowly and they go from pushing a chair around the rink to skating on their own in no time!

When does organized practices start?

[Organized Practices will begin the week of October 12th.](#)

Rookies will be divided by age, Rookie 1 being the youngest, typically the newer skater, and Rookie 3 being the oldest of the age range. DOB Range for Rookie 1 would be June 1, 2016-June 30, 2017; Rookie 2 would be July 1 2015-June 30, 2016; and Rookie 3 would be July 1, 2014-June 30, 2015. Practices (called Clinics) will be listed on the "Facility Schedule" on the home page. Your child should come to the Clinic according to age level. Any switching should be approved by the In-House Hockey Director.

How Can I Get Involved?

It takes a lot of great parents to make all this happen! Consider helping the coach on the ice for your child's team or being a parent coordinator. Contact the office if interested or for more information.