



REGISTRATION RESOURCES



Need Help?? Contact us at ASHA@Specialhockey.org



Getting Ready for the 2025/2026 Season

Thanks to the generous support of Hockey Players in Business, ASHA is able to offer free membership for athletes, coaches, and volunteers for the 2025–2026 season.

Please note: A small vendor fee may apply for required background screenings and abuse prevention training.



ASHA Membership

New Season ASHA Team Membership Forms are DUE No Later Than July 15th

- Form is available online at [SpecialHockey.org](https://www.SpecialHockey.org)>Troubleshooting
- Event & Festival Sanctioning Requests are DUE No Later than October 1, 2025



Registration Opens July 1, 2025

- Registration can be found online at www.SpecialHockey.org
- Detailed Step by Step Instructions are located under the "Registration Tab"
- Team Managers & Head Coaches SHOULD NOT Complete Registrations for Athletes or other Staff. (If assistance is required, the athletes caregiver may request an accommodation in writing to asha@specialhockey.org)



Credentials

ASHA will issue a season credential for each athlete, coach & volunteer who is registered (and approved) on September 1, 2026. Please help us make this process go as smoothly as possible by encouraging your team to register over the summer.

For RETURNING participants

Every year the new season registration opens on July 1.

Everyone is asked to complete a new season registration for each season.

If the registrant completed a Background Screening and Abuse Training during the 2024/2025 season, they will not have to repeat this. However, they will need to check their SportsEngine account for proof of compliance.

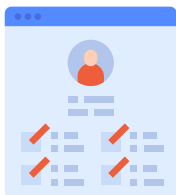
Please note that any assumption that they have completed compliance could delay their registration approval. The national ASHA registration staff are all volunteers, and we process over 10,000 registrations. Their assistance in checking their SportsEngine account to ensure that they have met all compliance requirements is greatly appreciated.

For NEW participants

The First Step in the registration process will prompt them to set up a "Sports Engine Account". This account works like a "File Cabinet" and will hold the athletes information for use in any ASHA registrations including season, summer camps and special events. The Second Step is to register for the new season. This registration should be carefully filled out as it helps coaches and team managers with important information.

If the participant (Athlete or Junior Coach) is Under the age of 18, registration takes only a few simple steps. Once the athlete has a sports engine account established, the registration process is a very simple and quick process. This registration should be carefully filled out as it helps coaches and team managers with important information.

If the (Athlete, Coach or Volunteer) is 18 years or older, registration has an extra step to ensure compliance with the Safe Sport Act Law. ASHA has worked diligently to offer a variety of accommodations to meet the diverse needs of our athletes. We understand that this is new and different, and can be overwhelming for families.



We're excited to share this Family Resource, available on SPECIALHOCKEY.ORG, to help make the family special hockey experience smoother, more fun, and full of support. If you would like an editable version to customize for your team, email your request to asha@specialhockey.org.



REGISTER FOR ASHA

Step
1 Sign In

Step
2 Register

Step
3 Confirm

Game Plan

Check in with your head coach or team manager to confirm expectations for athlete's player level coaching role or your volunteer role.

Save Time! Over 18??

Whether you are a new or returning Athlete, Coach or Volunteer, being prepared for this will help ASHA approve your season registration. We provide flexible options to meet the diverse needs of our members. Please carefully review the options and proceed with the one which best fits your needs!

If you are NEW

Create A New Sports Engine Account

Click on the "Sign In" Button on the top right hand of the SpecialHockey.org Home Page

Parents/guardians should set up their Sports Engine Account BEFORE they register their athlete

Sports Engine works like a file cabinet for our members. The platform holds your registration files & also helps your team communicate with you!

If you are RETURNING

SIGN IN TO YOUR Sports Engine Account

Click on the "Sign In" Button on the top right hand of the SpecialHockey.org Home Page

Click on your initials in the circle, then "My Sports Engine" You will be able to see your previous registrations, including any current Background Screening & Abuse Prevention Training under the REGISTRATIONS on the right side of your screen

PLEASE DO NOT DUPLICATE BY CREATING A NEW ACCOUNT

Go To SpecialHockey.org> Registration

Simple & Easy Taking only a few minutes on your desktop or Mobile Device.

There is no cost for ASHA Registration or ASHA Membership!

Approval may take up to 7-10 days

Confirm Your Registration Status


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Frequently Asked Questions

Additional information is available under the "Options" button on our registration screen



Check to see if your previously completed compliance has not expired.

Fill out all forms as instructed

Answer all questions carefully

RENEWING YOUR REGISTRATION


- To avoid any delays, please check your Sports Engine account for any previous abuse prevention training & background screenings.
 - If you completed during the 2023/2024 season, you will need to renew this season.
 - If you do not see previously completed compliance, check to see if you have multiple Sports Engine Accounts and merge them.
- If you submitted a "Request For Accomodation" You will need to re-submit for this season.
- Inaccurate answers to compliance questions WILL RESULT IN DELAYS OR INELIGIBILITY FOR PARTICIPATION.
- Please DO NOT forward certificates directly to ASHA. You MUST forward them to your team manager, who will submit them on your behalf.

NEW REGISTRATIONS

- Please read all instructions carefully!
- If you are a parent or guardian, please register YOURSELF prior to registering your Athlete.
- All registrations must have their OWN Sports Engine Account when completing the background screening or abuse prevention training.
- If you are a registered coach with USA Hockey, please follow the instructions carefully.
- If you are submitting a "Request For Accommodation" for an athlete. Please be aware that the form MUST BE Printed, filled out completely (with a full sentence for description & reason) and hand signed. We WILL NOT accept abbreviated forms or electronic copies.
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The American Special Hockey Association has worked closely with the US Center for Safesport and our partners to provide safe and appropriate methods to comply with the Safe Sport Act requirements. If you have any questions regarding this Federal Law, please go to SafeSport.org

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QUICK GUIDE TO CHECK YOUR ASHA REGISTRATIONS

To check the status of the registrations, screenings and abuse prevention trainings, please follow these steps:

Step 1: Go To www.SpecialHockey.org

Step 2: Click On "Sign In" (Top Right Corner)

Step 3: Click On "Blue Circle With Your Initials"

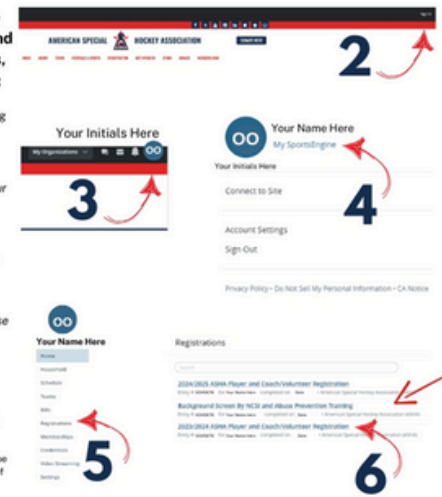
Step 4: Click On "My Sports Engine"

Step 5: Click On "Registrations" (Left Side)

Step 6: Click On "2023/2024 Background Screen By NCSI and Abuse Prevention Training"

Step 7: Scroll Down to View Background Screening Status

If your screening is listed as pending, and its been longer than 5 days since your submitted, please contact NCSI directly at support@ncsihsa.com for a status update. Depending on the status, the NCSI team may be able to expedite the completion and delivery of the report.



If you have completed the Background Screening but NOT the Abuse Prevention Training

Step 1: Go To www.SpecialHockey.org

Step 2: Click On "Sign In" (Top Right Corner)

Step 3: Click On "My Sports Engine"

Step 4: Click On "Registrations" (Left Side)

Step 5: Click On "2024/2025 Background Screen By NCSI and Abuse Prevention Training"

Step 6: Click Abuse Training URL

Step 7: Complete the training

Step 8: PRINT THE CERTIFICATE and forward a copy to your Team Manager

Registration Session: Background Screen By NCSI and Abuse Prevention Training

Site: American Special Hockey Association (ASHA)

SportsEngine Account: _____

Entry Filled Out For: _____

Registration Date: _____

Abuse Training URL: https://www.specialhockey.org/survey_result/abuse_training/134474846

IF YOU NEED ANY ASSISTANCE - PLEASE CONTACT YOUR TEAM MANAGER - ASHA REGISTRARS WILL WORK WITH YOUR TEAM TO SUPPORT - THANK YOU

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Registration Date: _____

Abuse Training URL: https://www.specialhockey.org/survey_result/abuse_training/134474846

Click on URL to go to the registration's SPECIFIC Abuse prevention Training. They will not have to pay any additional fees when using this link.

In many cases this folks did not complete the entire quiz at the end and it needs to be retaken.

If they have completed the videos, there is a box they can check to go directly to the quiz.

MANAGING MY TEAM'S REGISTRATIONS

SAFE SPORT ACT COMPLIANCE

A common question is: Why is the ASHA system not automatic?

The answer is... because we have advocated to accept a variety of methods to ensure compliance which meets the diverse needs of those we serve. This ensures that athletes can access the information in a manner that is appropriate for their learning needs.

Safe Sport Act Compliance – Required for All Participants Age 18 and Older

There are no exceptions. Anyone age 18 or older—including athletes, coaches, volunteers, and locker room support—must comply with the Safe Sport Act. This can be completed using one of the five approved options listed below.

Important Notes:

- **All coaches and volunteers must complete compliance using Option 1 or Option 2.**
- As of October 31, 2023, ASHA cannot accept compliance documentation from other organizations.

OPTION 1: PREVIOUS ASHA COMPLIANCE

If you completed your background screening and abuse prevention training through ASHA 2024/2025 season, and it remains valid, no further action is needed. Your compliance will appear in your SportsEngine account. Please verify it is marked as complete.

OPTION 2: COMPLETE COMPLIANCE THROUGH ASHA REGISTRATION

If your screening or training has expired—or if you're registering for the first time—you will complete both steps during the 2025–2026 ASHA season registration. Athletes may complete this process with the support of a parent or guardian.

OPTIONS FOR ATHLETES WHO REQUIRE ACCOMMODATIONS

OPTION 3: PARENT OR GUARDIAN COMPLETES REQUIREMENTS ON ATHLETE'S BEHALF

- A parent or guardian registers as a volunteer and completes the background screening and abuse prevention training.
- They register the athlete as part of their household and complete the Request for Accommodation Form to certify that the training content has been appropriately shared with the athlete.
- This form must be printed, filled out clearly by hand, and signed by the parent/guardian.
- The team manager or head coach must review and sign the form before it is submitted to ASHA.

OPTION 4: COMPLETE THE "SAFESPORT FOR YOUTH" COURSE

The SafeSport for Youth course is available at no cost and is designed to present information in a way that is more accessible for individuals with intellectual and/or cognitive disabilities.

- Athletes may complete this course with the help of a parent or guardian.
- Whenever possible, athletes should also complete the background screening.
- If an athlete is unable to complete the background screening, a Request for Accommodation Form may be submitted.

This option provides a developmentally appropriate path for athletes to meet Safe Sport Act compliance while recognizing their individual support needs.

OPTION 5: FULL ACCOMMODATION REQUEST

- A parent or guardian registers the athlete and completes a Request for Accommodation Form, explaining why the athlete is unable to complete the abuse prevention training.
- This form must be reviewed and signed by the team manager or head coach prior to submission.

Note: This option is intended only for cases where participation in the training is not possible. It should not be used for convenience. Misuse of this option may result in serious consequences in the case of an audit or incident.

Questions or Special Circumstances?
If you need support or are unsure which option applies to your situation, please contact asha@specialhockey.org.





Because your team welcomes athletes of all ages, your organization is mandated by Federal Law to comply with the Safe Sport Act of 2017. We hope that this guide helps ASHA Team Managers & Head Coaches navigate their athletes and families through the registration process, so everybody can focus on what they love to do best - Play Hockey!

WHAT IS THE SAFE SPORT ACT

At a time when child abuse has become all too common in the sports world, all youth sports organizations must take action to protect vulnerable youth athletes. In reaction to recent abuse scandals in youth sports, the United States government has established the Safe Sport Act of 2017 that mandates new safety requirements that aim to protect youth athletes through abuse prevention training and mandated reporting.

WHAT ORGANIZATIONS ARE AFFECTED?

All youth sports organizations are affected by the Act in one way or another. Organizations that participate in international (or interstate) amateur athletic contests – and which involve one or more adults being in close contact with one or more amateur athletes who are minors – are required to comply.

WHAT HAPPENS TO ORGANIZATIONS THAT DON'T FOLLOW THE NEW REQUIREMENTS?

Individuals and organizations found not to be in compliance with the act could receive civil or criminal charges. Failure or refusal to comply with a federal statute meant to protect the public safety is negligence per se. Under the Act, the claimant may bring a civil lawsuit in U.S. District Court. They can recover actual damages or liquidated damages and the costs of the action including reasonable attorney's fees. The court may also allow punitive damages, and criminal charges are possible. Insurance companies also demand compliance, so any coverages for errors or omissions would not be in place.

WHAT DOES THE SAFE SPORT ACT REQUIRE OF ORGANIZATIONS?

The Act requires that all adults who interact with youth athletes must complete abuse awareness training and are required to report suspicions of abuse to the appropriate law enforcement agencies within 24 hours. There is no exclusion or waiver to this requirement for Adults with disabilities. Organizations must also provide a “mechanism for communication” for all participants and volunteers where they can confidentially report incidents of abuse, or suspicion of abuse.

HOW DO I KEEP MY ORGANIZATION IN COMPLIANCE?

Team Managers and Head Coaches are required to monitor their team's registrations to ensure that all participants over the age of 18 have completed the compliance requirements including the Abuse Prevention Training, Background Screening and/or Obtained approval for a "Request for Accommodation Form". Each ASHA Registration reviews the Locker Room Policy and provides a mechanism for communication. Copies are available to all members.





MANAGING MY TEAM'S REGISTRATIONS

ASHA relies on team managers & head coaches to monitor all registrations to ensure that all participants are appropriately registered before anyone steps out on to the ice. The Team Manager/Head Coach will be able to see the registration in their administrative team reports. They will review for accuracy, and alert the National Registrar to review and approve.

It is the responsibility of every team have a clearly communicated Locker Room Policy and to maintain the compliance records for all participants age 18 or older. This includes anyone who steps out on to the ice or enters a locker room to assist (This includes parents).

The Administrative Reports have been designed to assist the team managers and head coach in tracking their registrations and compliance accurately and efficiently.



HOW TO VIEW YOUR ADMIN REPORTS

Go to SpecialHockey.org

Sign In (Top RIGHT Corner)

Click on "Find A Team"
(Located in the Quick Links on the home page of SpecialHockey.org)

Scroll down on left and find your Team Name

Click on Your Team Name

Admin Reports are located in the GRAY BAR ABOVE the ASHA Logo.

For the 2025/2026 Season, Team Admins are able to download their team report to Excel to create a Verified Roster to submit to events.



ROSTER VS ADMIN REPORT



Sports Engine has a "Roster" that can be viewed by any member of your team. This is a team communication tool that an athlete can opt out of in their registration. The Admin Reports are viewable to team admins only and provides the team manager access to view all registration information. This information is NOT public for privacy purposes.



MANAGING MY TEAM'S REGISTRATIONS

REVIEWING & APPROVALS



Team Managers and Head Coaches should review all registrations.

If there are "Missing" registrations, ask the registering person to check their Sports Engine Account to ensure that the correct registration has been completed.

If they have, submit an inquiry to asharegistrar@gmail.com. It is not uncommon that the participant needs to be "rostered" to your team

In the Admin Reports, there will be a Blank in the "ASHA Verified" Column for any registrations requiring a "Review & Approval"

Team Managers, should review the information paying special to the any documents uploaded. If there are changes needed, the team manager should work with the registrant to make any needed edits.

When a registration needs approval, the team manager or Head coach should check the registration to make sure that all information is complete. Then notify the ASHA Registrar that an approval is requested.

COMMON ERRORS YOU CAN CATCH



- Jr Coaches do not list a parent or guardians information.
- Coaches, Volunteers & Athletes indicate that they are completing or have completed the background screening & abuse prevention training and do not complete the compliance requirements
- Athletes do not have a correctly filled out Request for Accommodation form, missing a Hand Written signature or Coaches/Team Managers Signature.

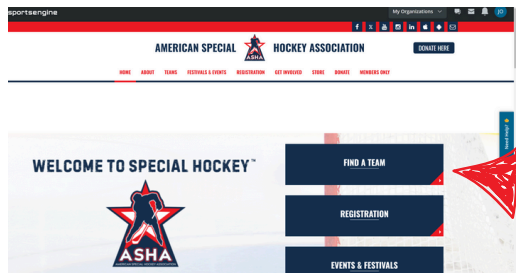
Reviewing and correcting these commons errors prior to requesting approval makes this process much quicker!

RESOURCES FOR YOUR TEAM MANAGER/REGISTRAR

HOW TO FIND YOUR REGISTRATION REPORT

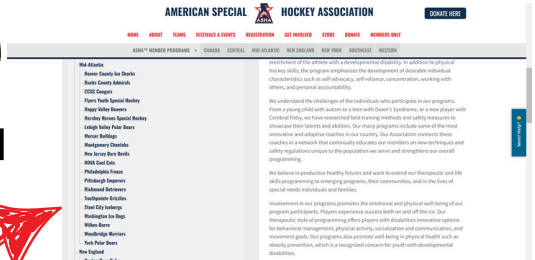
NEED HELP? EMAIL ASHAREGSTRAR@GMAIL.COM

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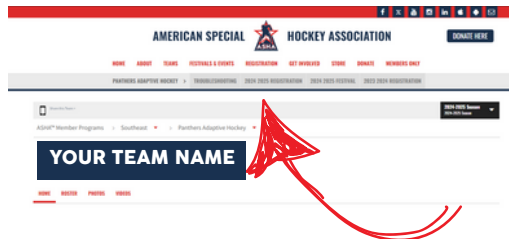
Step 1: Log in to Specialhockey.org. Once logged in (You will see your initials in top right corner), return to the main page and click on "Find a Team"

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Step 2: Scroll down to find your team's name, then click on it.

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Step 3: On your team's page, locate the Administrative Reports in the gray bar and click on "2025/2026 Registration"

We have provided a trouble shooting tab for quick links and other FAQ's and Registrar Information

YOUR TEAM NAME

Download CSV for complete registration information

HOME ROSTER PHOTOS VIDEOS

2024/2025 ASHA PLAYER AND COACH/VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION

PAGE 1 OF 2
Displaying Results 1 - 15 of 29

Export CSV

ENTRY NUMBER	REGISTRATION STATUS	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	WHAT ARE YOU REGISTERING AS? CP1	MEMBER TYPE	MISSING COMPLIANCE	COMPLIANCE SOURCE	COMPLI
	Approved			Self	Athlete		ASHA (2/24 NCIS Background Screening & AFS Training not expired)	
	Pending			Parent/Guardian for Athlete	Off for Volunteer (Admin or Special Event)	ASHA Abuse Prevention Training: APA (Abuse Prevention Systems) is missing or expired	ASHA (2/24 NCIS Background Screening & AFS Training not expired)	
	Approved			Parent/Guardian for Athlete	Athlete			
	Approved			Self	Coach (over 18) (Head, Assistant or Locker Room Support)		ASHA (2024/2025 NCIS Background Screening & AFS Training on file)	

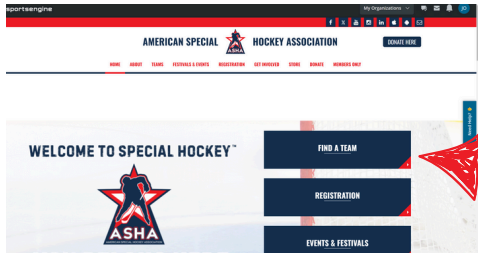
If someone is not listed, ask them to check their SportsEngine account. In most cases, it means they created an account but did not complete their ASHA registration for the new season.

Registration Status
(If this is blank - please contact the ASHA registrar to review)

If Pending or Not Eligible
This column tells you why

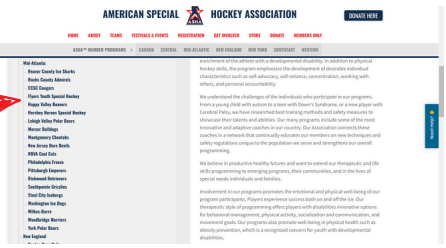
HOW TO HELP YOUR TEAM WITH LINKS

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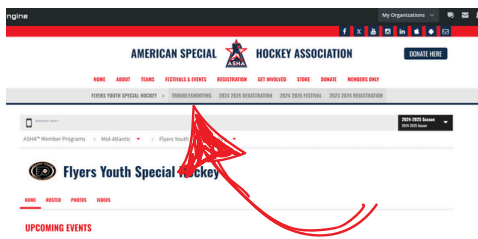
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Step 3: On your team's page, locate the Administrative Reports in the gray bar and click on "Troubleshooting."

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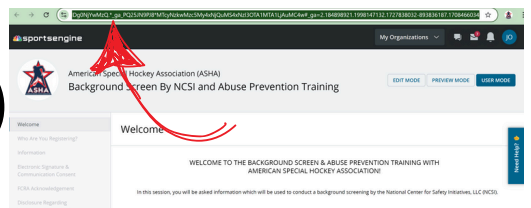
Step 4: Click on the blue box to be directed to the troubleshooting page.

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Step 5: The troubleshooting page contains various resources, including the Registrar's guide, text for common issues, and links for registration items like background screenings and abuse prevention training. This page is restricted to authorized users only. Do not share it with anyone without proper permission.

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Step 6: After selecting the link you need, you will be taken to the appropriate registration page. Copy the full URL from the address bar.

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Step 7: Paste the URL into a new email and send it to the person requesting the link.



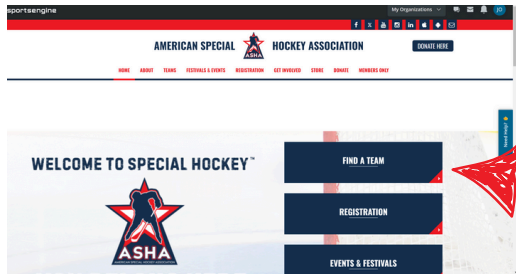
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 Click On "My Sports Engine"
 >Click On "Registrations" (Left Side)
 >Click On "2024/2025 ASHA Athlete, Coach Volunteer Registration"
 Scroll Down to View Background Screening Status

if folks have already paid for the abuse prevention training, but did not get the link, they can find their link here.

Registration Session: Background Screen By NCSI and Abuse Prevention Training
 Site: American Special Hockey Association (ASHA)
 SportsEngine Account: _____
 Entry Filled Out For: _____
 Registration Date: _____
 Abuse Training URL: https://www.specialhockey.org/survey_removal

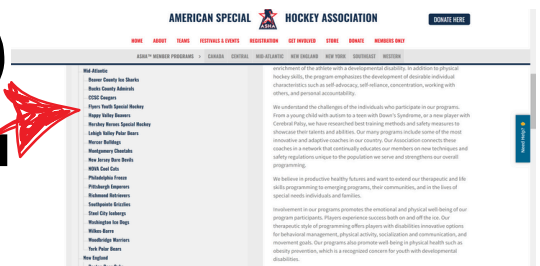
TEAM COMMUNICATIONS

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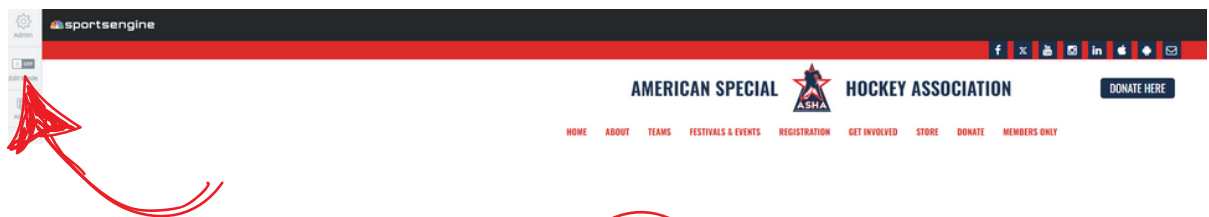
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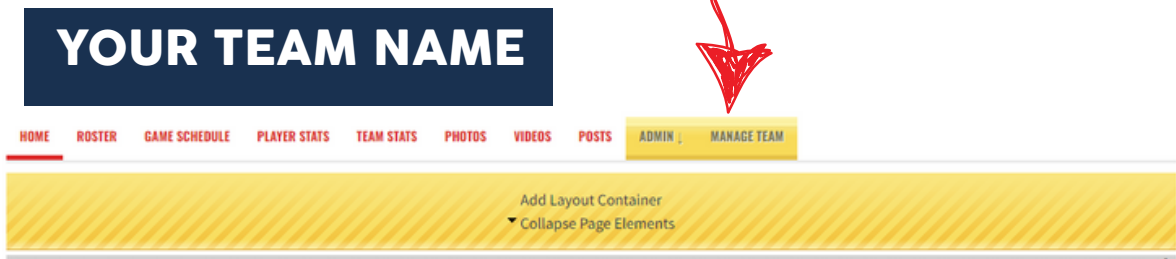
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Click > Edit Mode



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Click > Manage Team



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You can add events - this will have an automatic RSVP option to any registered member that has OPTED IN for communications
Use the Chat feature to communicate with parents
Send Emails to parents etc.

Please NOTE - The ROSTER TOOL ONLY GIVES YOU INFORMATION ON PEOPLE WHO HAVE OPTED IN> Use your Registration Reports to monitor registration status.

Handiest Help Button EVER



American Special Hockey Association SINGLE USE RELEASE

Registration Type Special Hockey Athlete Community Athlete Jr. Coach Coach Volunteer

Registrant Information

First Name	Middle	Last	Date of Birth	Phone #1
Street			<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	Phone #2
City	State	Zip	Country	
ASHA Team		Player Level	Jersey Size	

Parent Guardian Information

Parent 1: First Name	Middle	Last	Relationship		
City	State	Zip	Country	Home #	Cell #

Release of Information

Waiver of Liability, Assumption of Risk, Release, and Indemnity Agreement

This Agreement is intended to exempt and release the American Special Hockey Association (ASHA), its affiliates, member teams, event hosts, volunteers, and associated parties ("Releasees") from liability for personal injury, property damage, or wrongful death—even if arising from their negligence.

In consideration for the undersigned participant's registration with ASHA and its affiliated organizations, and participation in any ASHA-sanctioned event or activity, the participant (and their parent(s) or legal guardian(s), if applicable) agrees as follows:

1. **Waiver and Release:** The undersigned hereby waives, releases, and relinquishes any and all claims, causes of action, or liabilities—known or unknown, anticipated or unanticipated—arising out of or related to participation in ASHA activities, including but not limited to practices, games, travel, or related events. This waiver applies to claims resulting from the negligence of any Releasee.
2. **Assumption of Risk:** The participant (and parent(s)/guardian(s)) understands and assumes all inherent and potential risks associated with participation in the sport of ice hockey, including but not limited to: bodily injury, partial or total disability, paralysis, death, or property damage. Risks may arise from the participant's own actions or the actions/inactions of others, including other players, coaches, or the Releasees. Participation in age groups outside the participant's typical range may also increase risk.
3. **Facilities and Premises:** The undersigned acknowledges risks related to the condition, maintenance, inspection, and supervision of any premises, rink, or facility used in connection with ASHA activities. This release includes any claims based on alleged negligence in facility management, dangerous conditions, or lack of warnings.
4. **Media Release:** The undersigned consents to ASHA and its designees photographing, filming, or recording the participant during events. The participant grants ASHA a perpetual, worldwide, royalty-free, irrevocable license to use, reproduce, distribute, and display the participant's image, likeness, and voice in any format now known or developed in the future, for promotional or educational purposes.
5. **Compliance with ASHA Policies:** The participant agrees to comply with all current ASHA rules, regulations, and by-laws, which are available upon request and at www.specialhockey.org This includes acceptance of all terms, waivers, and consents contained within the online registration process, which must be completed by the team's designated representative.
6. **Indemnification:** The undersigned agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the Releasees against any and all claims, suits, liabilities, or damages arising from or related to participant's involvement in ASHA activities—including any claim brought by or on behalf of the participant or their estate.
7. **Severability:** If any provision of this agreement is found unenforceable by law, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect.
8. **Insurance Limitations:** The undersigned acknowledges that ASHA's insurance policies may contain significant exclusions, including the exclusion of liability for claims brought by one player against another.

By signing below, the participant (and parent(s)/guardian(s), if applicable) acknowledges they have read, understood, and voluntarily accept the terms of this agreement. They have not relied on any oral representations by ASHA or any Releasee and understand the legal consequences of signing this release.

Signature	Printed Name
Relationship to Athlete	Contact Phone Number

2025/2026 ASHA REQUEST FOR ACCOMODATION

PART ONE
ATHLETE INFORMATION

I, _____, am the parent or legal guardian of _____,
a registered participant with ASHA, born on _____. I acknowledge and understand that, in accordance with
Federal law, The Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies (MAAPP), and the U.S. Center for SafeSport Code, any player who is eighteen (18) years of age or older on or before December 31, 2025, and who participates on an ASHA affiliate member team that includes minor-aged players, must complete an approved sexual abuse prevention training and undergo a national background screening. I further understand that no participation in _____ activities may occur for the 2025/2026 season until either (1) both requirements are completed and documented, or (2) a formally approved request for accommodation is on file with ASHA

PART TWO
BACKGROUND CHECK

REQUEST FOR BACKGROUND SCREENING ACCOMODATION

I certify that _____ has no pending criminal charges, open investigations, or prior convictions, and is not currently the subject of any legal, disciplinary, or child protection proceedings. To the best of my knowledge, there are no circumstances that would raise concern about this individual's suitability to participate in programs that may include minor-aged athletes. Accordingly, I am submitting this formal request for accommodation from the standard background screening requirement for participation in ASHA-affiliated hockey programs, due to:

A complete sentence is required to clearly explain the reason this accommodation is being requested. Incomplete or vague responses will result in the form being returned without approval.

PART THREE
ABUSE PREVENTION TRAINING CHOOSE ONE OPTION

REQUEST FOR ABUSE PREVENTION TRAINING ACCOMODATION

OPTION 1 – Volunteer-Led Training Participation

I certify that I, _____, am a registered 2025–2026 ASHA volunteer and have completed the required background screening and abuse prevention training. I further certify that _____


Participated in the training alongside me to the best of their ability. With my guidance and support, received explanations and reinforcement of the key safety concepts, including personal boundaries, respect, and how to ask for help.

OPTION 2 – Completed Safe Sport For Youth Course

I certify that _____ has successfully completed the SafeSport for Youth course as part of the 2025–2026 ASHA season registration, and that the completion certificate has been submitted to the Team Manager.

OPTION 3 – Request for Accommodation Due to Disability

I certify that I am the parent/legal guardian of _____, and that the individual has one or more cognitive or intellectual disabilities that prevent meaningful understanding of the SafeSport for Youth Course/Abuse Prevention Training in its current format. I request an accommodation from the standard training and background screening requirements, on the basis that 1) the athlete is not in a supervisory role, and 2) Participation in standard training would not be developmentally appropriate or effective. I commit to reinforcing safe behaviors, boundaries, and expectations appropriate to the athlete's understanding and needs

 Please describe the athlete's disability and explain why they cannot participate in the abuse prevention training:

A complete sentence is required to clearly explain the reason this accommodation is being requested. Incomplete or vague responses cannot be accepted.

PART FOUR
This Form MUST BE HAND SIGNED BY
Parent/Guardian AND Head Coach or Team Manager

Parent/Guardian Acknowledgment and Signature

As the parent or legal guardian, I accept responsibility to inform both ASHA and the team of any changes to the information provided, including any behavioral, legal, or supervision-related concerns. I understand this request is subject to ASHA review and approval and may be denied or revoked at ASHA's discretion. We agree to comply with all ASHA Locker Room Policies, supervision requirements, and related safety guidelines established by ASHA and its affiliated members. By signing below, I certify that the information provided in this form is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that this request for accommodation is subject to review and approval by the American Special Hockey Association (ASHA), and that it does not exempt the participant from adhering to all other safety policies, conduct requirements, and supervision expectations. I understand that any false statement, material omission, or failure to report changes may result in suspension or removal from ASHA participation and may carry additional consequences under ASHA's Code of Conduct.

Parent/Guardian Name (Printed): _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

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This Request for Accommodation must be reviewed & accepted by the Head Coach/Team Manager to be rostered for the 2025/2026 season.

Accepted by _____ Role: _____ Date: _____

Team Name: _____

ASHA recommends that ALL Athletes age 18 or older make an attempt to comply with the Safe Sport Act of 2017 regulations. We believe that the abuse prevention training is in the best interest and safety of all athletes. We understand that the abuse prevention training may be difficult or considered inappropriate for some athletes. The "Request for Accommodation" is NOT advised for all athletes, and request that parents/guardians submit a request ONLY under appropriate circumstances. Please DO NOT submit a Request for Accommodation for Abuse Prevention Training without careful consideration. Additional Resources:

<https://uscenterforsafesport.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/Parent-Toolkit-Complete-1.pdf>

2025/2026 ASHA REQUEST FOR ACCOMODATION

PART ONE
ATHLETE INFORMATION

I, Jane Doe, am the parent or legal guardian of John Doe, a registered participant with ASHA, born on 1/1/2004. I acknowledge and understand that, in accordance with Federal law, The Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies (MAAPP), and the U.S. Center for SafeSport Code, any player who is eighteen (18) years of age or older on or before December 31, 2025, and who participates on an ASHA affiliate member team that includes minor-aged players, must complete an approved sexual abuse prevention training and undergo a national background screening. I further understand that no participation in Home Team Name activities may occur for the 2025/2026 season until either (1) both requirements are completed and documented, or (2) a formally approved request for accommodation is on file with ASHA

PART TWO
BACKGROUND CHECK

REQUEST FOR BACKGROUND SCREENING ACCOMODATION

I certify that John Doe has no pending criminal charges, open investigations, or prior convictions, and is not currently the subject of any legal, disciplinary, or child protection proceedings. To the best of my knowledge, there are no circumstances that would raise concern about this individual's suitability to participate in programs that may include minor-aged athletes. Accordingly, I am submitting this formal request for accommodation from the standard background screening requirement for participation in ASHA-affiliated hockey programs, due to: John's (diagnosis) impacts his ability to comprehend the information as presented.

A complete sentence is required to clearly explain the reason this accommodation is being requested. Incomplete or vague responses will result in the form being returned without approval.

PART THREE
ABUSE PREVENTION TRAINING CHOOSE ONE OPTION

REQUEST FOR ABUSE PREVENTION TRAINING ACCOMODATION

OPTION 1 – Volunteer-Led Training Participation

I certify that I, Jane Doe, am a registered 2025–2026 ASHA volunteer and have completed the required background screening and abuse prevention training. I further certify that John Doe participated in the training alongside me to the best of their ability. With my guidance and support, received explanations and reinforcement of the key safety concepts, including personal boundaries, respect, and how to ask for help.

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Please describe the athlete's disability and explain why they cannot participate in the abuse prevention training:
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Parent/Guardian Acknowledgment and Signature

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Parent/Guardian Name (Printed): Jane Doe Signature: Jane Doe Date: 7/1/2025

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Accepted by: A. Smith Role: Head Coach Date: 7/1/2025
Team Name: Home Team Name