

## **MEMBER BENEFITS**

## **ACCESS TO THE BEST HOCKEY EXPERIENCE IN AMERICA**

- USA Hockey's sports experience has been developed to emphasize the best part of physical activity in team sports: from your first strides on the ice, to playing with your friends as an adult, USA Hockey has built a sports system that creates the best opportunity to have fun. Practices at the earliest stages of youth hockey focus on competition and puck touches, resulting in constant activity in an engaging environment. As kids grow up, the USA Hockey experience grows with them, utilizing research-backed age-appropriate learning, development and fun.
- USA Hockey associations and programs
  have access to national resources, meaning
  that the hockey experience is consistent
  throughout the country. Administrators and
  operators learn best-practices and run their
  programs with fun in mind. This helps create
  an unmatched sports experience for everyone
  involved.
- USA Hockey requires certification of its coaches in order to ensure a consistent, organized and beneficial hockey experience at every rink throughout the country. This contributes to making hockey fun in every rink, for every kid.
- USA Hockey requires certification of its officials in order to ensure that during your child's game, or your adult league game, that an official with knowledge of the USA Hockey rule book is presiding over the game.
- Any adult, including coaches, officials, volunteers and rink staff, that interacts with your child has undergone SafeSport training and a background screening process to help ensure the safest possible environment for your child and give you peace of mind.

- On-ice safety is enforced through USA
   Hockey's national rule book and standard
   of play. This means that there is a national
   standardized expectation for discipline,
   enforcement of rules, and standard of hockey
   competition. When your team participates
   in USA Hockey tournaments or against USA
   Hockey competition, you are ensured of having
   the USA Hockey experience. This standard
   is enforced through association, affiliate and
   district governance.
- STAR system reporting ensures that any malfeasance, illegal play or suspension is upheld and enforced nationwide.
- USA Hockey members have access to the yearly calendar of events, including local youth and adult hockey experiences.
- All USA Hockey programs and associations have access to grants for supporting local hockey families through the USA Hockey Foundation
- When you become a member of USA Hockey family, you support an inclusive hockey experience, welcoming to all disciplines of hockey throughout the country.
- USA Hockey provides a secure and safe registration process.
- Every local USA Hockey association has access to national resources through Club Excellence that enhance the hockey experience, from entry-level hockey programs to year-round hockey experiences.
- USA Hockey members are supported by a national call center available during business hours, as well as online support. When you have a question or concern about your USA Hockey membership, you will talk to an employee of USA Hockey.



## **EXCLUSIVE HOCKEY RESOURCES**

- USA Hockey members have access to resources that include informational guides for players, parents and coaches, monthly newsletters, as well as digital content that explores hockey fundamentals and today's top stories.
- USA Hockey newsletter resources are customized for your unique hockey experience, with age-appropriate information, on-ice practice design and off-ice physical activities.
- USA Hockey resources continue to evolve and modernize each season, including interactive and digital courses with supporting videos, guides and articles.

- All members have access to the USA Hockey mobile coaching app, that includes age-specific practice plans, activities and development information.
- All members have access to the USA Hockey mobile rule book app, that includes the current playing rules and video examples explaining each rule.
- All members have access to the USA Hockey website which includes practice plans, education materials, workout plans, nutrition resources and parental support articles.

## **EXCLUSIVE USA HOCKEY BENEFITS**

- Subscription to *USA Hockey Magazine*, delivered to your door five times a year and each month in your email inbox.
- Members qualify for local, state and regional tournaments, as well as USA Hockey National Championships.
- Members have local, state, district and national player development camp opportunities.
- Members receive USA Hockey insurance coverage. For most members, this is secondary insurance coverage for any events that occur on the ice. However, unique to USA Hockey, this insurance covers individual players, and not just one member of a team or associations, ensuring that you are covered in any catastrophic event.

- Members receive exclusive partner deals and pricing, including on branded apparel through ShopUSAHockey.com.
- Adult members are eligible for exclusive Adult Classics, as well as the Pond Hockey National Championships.
- Coaching members are eligible for exclusive coaching courses and symposiums, including virtual and digital experiences to help further their USA Hockey experience. Coaches are also eligible for additional learning credits and opportunities, including the Level 5 coaching symposium; bronze, silver and gold goaltending clinics; and many other in-person educational programs.
- Officiating members are eligible for exclusive officiating courses and symposiums, as well as annual in-person officiating events.