



## CRYHA Team Format

### Traveling Hockey:

For the current season, CRYHA may have traveling hockey teams entering Minnesota Hockey District 10 League as follows:

Squirt (A, B1, B2, C)

Peewee (AA/A, B1, B2, C)

Bantam (AA/A, B1, B2, C)

Junior Gold (A, B, 16U)

Girls U10 (A, B)

Girls U12 (A, B)

Girls U15 (A,B)

The final number and declaration of teams will be the decision of the Executive Board.

### Traveling Teams Assemblage and Structure

1. All traveling coaches are selected by the Hockey Operations Committee and approved by the CRYHA Board of Directors. Assistant coaches may be recommended by the head coach but need to be approved in the same fashion as head coaching selection.
2. All coaching staff will be certified according to USA Hockey requirements, complete a background check and sign the Coach's Code of Conduct.
3. Coaches will not schedule any late night team events during the school week. Conclusion times are as follows for any time scheduled by the coach and/or team manager per District 10 recommendations.

Squirts, Girls U10 – 9:00pm

Peewees, Girls 12U – 9:30pm

Bantams, U15 – 10:00pm

Junior Gold – 10:30pm

***This rule does not apply to any ice assigned by the CRYHA Ice Director***

4. Tryouts for traveling teams will occur mid-September through mid-October as scheduled by the Youth and Girls Directors.

5. The cost of participating in the traveling tryout process is determined by the number of participants and is determined by CRYHA each year. This amount is not refunded once the tryout process begins and the players have participated in at least one tryout session.
6. Traveling team players will be ranked by current tryout policies and procedures (see tryout document). CRYHA wants all players to participate at their individual skill level for their own development in order to keep our traveling program competitive. Therefore, if a player has tried out for and been placed on a team and is asked to move up or down prior to December 31 of the playing year, he/she is required to play as requested.

**Travelling Team Player Placement Policies:**

1. If a skater/goalie wishes to attempt to move up a level of play, they may do so under the following parameters (this applies to anyone entering their final year of eligibility at the mite/U8, squirt/U10, or peewee/U12 level):
  - a. Player must have been on the top team offered at their level the previous season.
  - b. Skater must score in the top six (6) during scored/evaluated tryouts in order to make the A (or top) level coaches skate. Like any player in the coaches skate, it is still up to the coach to decide who will be included on the final team roster (making the "A" skate does NOT guarantee a spot on the "A" team).
  - c. Goalie must score as the TOP scored/evaluated Goalie during tryouts in order to make the A (or top) level coaches skate. Like any player in the coaches skate, it is still up to the coach to decide who will be included on the final team roster (making the "A" skate does NOT guarantee a spot on the "A" team).
  - d. Tryout staff reserves the right to remove a player prior to the final day of scored tryouts if it becomes apparent (based solely on evaluator total scores of the full squad to that point) that the player is not going to meet the requirements in item #2.
  - e. If at any point it is determined that a player will not meet the requirements in item #2, player will immediately rejoin the top group/team at the lower level to complete the tryout process, or start the season, whichever situation applies. If a player is asked to move up a level by the association for a "numbers" reason, the designation is for that season only, and may only play at the lowest team designation at the level they are being asked to move to. Should that player want to play up a level in any subsequent years, that player will have to qualify based on the parameters listed above.
  - f. Any scenario that does not fall into the criteria listed above will be handled on a case-by-case basis exclusively by the executive board.
  - g. Jersey number policy for players moving up: Should a player be successful in their attempt to move up a level, the player must adhere to the odd/even scenario for what would normally be their regular place. Should a number duplication scenario happen, the senior player at the given level will not be asked to relinquish their number, and

the player moving up will have to choose a new number and purchase a new set of jerseys at their expense whether the move up is initiated by them or they are asked by the association.

- h. Players who wish to "play up" according to their grade level must contact the appropriate Program Director. Once you have made this switch you may not switch back to the lower level, unless approved by the board.

**Travelling Team Policies:**

- 1. No Coon Rapids "A" team will be allowed to play a Coon Rapids "B" team except in a controlled scrimmage. No Traveling team will be allowed to play a House team
- 2. The maximum number of games and scrimmages recommended for each level:

Squirts & Girls U10	35 Games
Peewees & Girls U12	40 Games
Bantams & Girls U14	45 Games
Junior Gold	45 Games

- 3. These numbers do not include tournaments, except for Squirts/U10. No team may participate in more than four (4) invitational tournaments and no more than one (1) can be an "out-of-town tournament," unless approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the team parents. Out-of-town tournament is defined as a tournament that is more than 60 miles from Coon Rapids or there is a need to stay overnight.
- 4. Each Traveling team must have a team manager. The manager must be someone other than a coach or a coach's significant other.
- 5. All players participating on a traveling team who have not purchased their own jerseys must return both assigned game jerseys to the head coach/manager at the end of the season. Players may be assessed a \$50 fee for each lost or destroyed jersey.

**In House Teams:**

- 1. For the current season, CRYHA may have the following house teams:

Mites (ages 4-8) (A, B, C, D)      Girls U8 (ages 4-8)

- 2. The final number and declaration of teams will be the decision of the Executive Board
- 3. The Mite/Girls Directors will be in charge of house team selections, and are responsible for

maintaining the best possible parity between teams.

4. All Mite/U8 coaches will be selected by the Mite/Girls Directors.
5. All Mite/U8 teams will have a manager who must be someone other than a coach or the head coach's significant other.