

2022-2023 SQUIRT SEASON

Birth Years 2012 & 2013

Moving up to Squirts next year? With this exciting event here is some important information that we want to share with the parents of all first year Squirts (Birth Year 2013) in order to help you select the right option for your player for next season.

We anticipate releasing 22-23 Season Fees and Details in early May. But meanwhile, please read through the information here carefully, as it is important to understand the commitment necessary for a positive experience at the U10/Squirt level for both you and your child.

League Choice	CCYHL	CRHL
	"Colorado Competitive Youth Hockey League"	"Colorado Recreational Hockey League"
League Alias	"Travel" or "Competitive"	"House" or "Rec"
COST		
Season Fees*	\$2100	\$1050
Registration Fee**	\$375	\$100
Uniforms	Jerseys on loan / Socks must be purchased	Jerseys and socks must be purchased
Warm Up Gear	Required for away games	Optional
Team Assessment Fees ¹	Varies (\$100-300)	Varies (\$25-100)
TRAVEL REQUIREMENTS		
In League Travel	Fort Collins to Colorado Springs	Fort Collins, Greeley, metro Denver, occasional mountain teams
In State Tournaments	2 to 3	1 (at NoCo in Jan)
Out of State Tournaments	1-2	NONE
TIME COMMITMENT		
Season Starts	Evaluations in late Sep	Evaluations in late Sep
Tryouts / Evaluation	3 ice sessions	Sat / 1 ice session
Season Ends	Late Feb/Early Mar	Late Feb/Early Mar
Coaches	Head Coach Kevin Ulanski, assisted by Parent Volunteers	Head & Assistant Coaches Parent Volunteers
Weekday Practices/Games	3 Early Afternoon/Evening and Morning practices	2 Early Afternoon/Evening Practices- NO MORNING PRACTICES
Weekend Practices/Games	1-2	1 (occasionally 2)
Number of League Games	16 + Playoffs	14 + Playoffs
OTHER		
Team Information	Assigned by Skill Level	Equally Skill Balanced Teams
Playoffs	All teams qualify	All teams participate

* Listed registration rate is estimate, 22-23 season fees have not been set

** Registration is a deposit deducted from the tuition fees and will increase as get closer to the Fall, so register early to take advantage of discounted price

¹ Tournament fees, coaches travel expenses, team functions, gifts, etc.

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TRYOUT/EVALUATION PROCESS

CCYHL/Travel:

Following the USA Hockey mandated Skills and Drills sessions, prospective travel players will participate in a multi-day, multi-session tryout process to place players on teams based on ability level. Players must be registered with NCYH before arriving on the first day of tryouts. Upon arrival your player will be loaned a tryout jersey which must be worn to each tryout session. Tryouts may include both skills sessions and multiple scrimmages. After the final scrimmage is held and tryout jerseys are returned, team selection will take place and the coach will contact each family via email of their team placement. Teams are selected by the NCYH Hockey Directors. Players not selected for a travel team will be placed in the CRHL evaluations and assigned to a CRHL team.

CRHL/Rec:

One group evaluation is scheduled and teams are formed with the goal of having teams of equal competitive balance. Coaches will have a "draft" that allows them to choose a few players due to car pools and other requests made by families. The rest will be selected to ensure equality of skill level.

TOURNAMENTS

Coaches typically choose tournaments throughout the season to attend. This is at the discretion of the coach. Tournaments are generally held on holiday weekends (i.e., Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's, Martin Luther King, and Presidents Day weekends.) Travel will mostly be within the state, but some CCYHL teams may elect to travel out of state, maybe even out of the country (i.e., If they are successful in the Silver Stick Regional Tournament.)

CCYHL/Travel:

Tournament participation is expected from every player. If you are unable to attend a designated tournament, you are still responsible for your portion of all fees associated with that tournament regardless of attendance. NCYH requires families of travel players to pay coaches' travel expenses that may include hotel room, transportation, and a daily stipend. Coaches are asked to operate within the team's budget and save costs where available.

CRHL/Rec:

Tournaments are not mandatory to attend. However, NCYH has offered the Slapshot Tournament held in January for almost 20 years and each year our CRHL teams participate at a discounted fee. If you do not wish to participate in a tournament there is nothing to pay as cost is based per player. Teams will collect fees from participating players and submit to NCYH.

PARENT VOLUNTEER DUTIES

As a parent, you will be relied on by your team to volunteer services for a variety of team needs. Each CCYHL & CRHL team is required to have a Team Manager and each CCYHL team should also have a Team Treasurer. Additional tasks parents are expected to help with include game day duties: running the game clock, scorekeeping, and working the penalty box door. Every family must volunteer to help during your team's home games and tournaments when necessary.

MORE INFORMATION

If you need additional information, help with registering, or have any questions that this document does not answer, please contact Rhett Gordon at directorgordon@ncyh.org.