



Teton Valley Foundation Cutthroats

Youth Hockey Program 2022 - 2023

Welcome! Over the last three years, our program has seen significant growth and success. With this progress comes necessary adaptations to the program, to accommodate the growing number of skaters in each age classification and their abilities. Some improvements we've made this year is **extending our season 1 - 2 weeks** and adding **3 more** Youth Hockey tournaments! Another adaptation is the addition of our Travel A teams at U10 Squirt and U12 Pee wee levels. Please review the following information closely with the understanding that our program is in a transitional period where operational details will vary from age class to age class based on number of participants.

Schedule

Girls: Monday 4:45 - 5:45 pm

Mini-mites: Tuesday & Thursday 4:00 - 5:00 pm

Mites: Tuesday & Thursday 4:00 - 5:00 pm

Squirts: Monday 6:00pm - 7:00pm, Wednesday & Thursday 5:00 - 6:00 pm

Pee wees: Monday 7:15 - 8:15 pm, Wednesday & Thursday 6:15 - 7:15 pm

Bantams: Monday 8:30 - 9:30 pm, Tuesday 5:00 - 6:00 pm, & Thursday 6:00 - 7:00 am

High School: Monday 6:00 - 7:00 am, Tuesday 6:15 - 7:45 pm, & Wednesday 6:00 - 7:00 am

Squirt and Pee wee Travel teams: Above age classification schedule will be followed, with an additional 3 practices per month being scheduled around travel tournament schedules.

Registration Dues

Registration fees include one home team registration for the age group's home tournament, and weekly practices only. Each player registered will also have an opportunity to try out* for travel tournaments at multiple skill levels. Friendly competition games will be scheduled throughout the season to ensure all who wish to, can compete.

*Due to the varying number of Cutthroats enrolled in the different age classifications, each age classification will have different travel team selection policies. These policies are detailed below.

Early-bird pricing: 12:00am MST on September 1st - 11:59pm MST on September 30th

Full price: 12:00am MST on October 1st - Opening day, November 5th

Girls (4-14): 4 hours per month, No early bird pricing due to sessions and supplemented rates.
Full Season: 17 weeks November 7 - March 6 \$210 or \$125 as add-on to Co-ed Youth Hockey Program

Session I: Dates: November 7 - January 2 (8 weeks) *xmas week not included

Price: \$125

Session II: Dates: January 9 - March 6 (9 weeks)

Price: \$125

U6 Mini Mite: 2 hours per week, 17 weeks - No early bird pricing due to sessions and supplemented rates.
Full Season: 17 weeks November 8 - March 9 \$210

Session I: Dates: November 8 - January 5 (8 weeks)

Price: \$125

Session II: Dates: January 10 - March 9 (9 weeks)

Price: \$125

U8 Mite: 2 hours per week, 17 weeks, Beginning November 8, 2022

Early bird: \$325

Full price: \$365

U10 Squirt House: 3 hours per week, 17 week season, Beginning November 7, 2022

Early bird: \$450

Full price: \$490

U10 Squirt Travel: 3 hours per week + 3 additional hours per month, 18 week season, Beginning November 8, 2022

In addition to house registration dues above: \$350*

*Travel dues will be collected after try-outs, once teams have been announced.

U12 Peewee House: 3 hours per week, 17 week season, Beginning November 7, 2022

Early bird: \$500

Full price: \$540

U12 Peewee Travel: 3 hours per week + 3 additional hours per month, 18 week season, Beginning November 8, 2022

In addition to house registration dues above: \$350*

*Travel dues will be collected after try-outs, once teams have been announced.

U14 Bantams: 3 hours per week, 18 week season, Beginning November 7, 2022

Early bird: \$600

Full price: \$640

High School team add-on for second year Bantams: \$250*

*Bantam practice and travel tournaments always take priority over high school practices. This only allows the skaters to skate up for practice. All competition opportunities for second year bantams will be of the sole discretion of the Youth Hockey Director and Vice President by recommendation of the head coach.

High School: 3.5 hours per week, 18 week season, Beginning November 7, 2022

Early bird: \$700

Full price: \$740

Discounts:

3rd child discount: %50 off youngest skater

Girls program discount: Full season is \$125 if girl is enrolled in Co-ed Cutthroats YH program

Travel team selection process by age classification

For the upcoming 2022 - 2023 season, both U10 Squirts and U12 Peewees will have an opportunity to try out for a Travel A team. We will be hosting tryouts to select these teams prior to this season's start date of November 7th, 2022. The tryout process will consist of the following components:

- Three on ice sessions each, spread out over two days. Time/Date/Location is TBD and will be announced via email to parents who have players registered for the associated age classifications for the 2022-23 season.
- The on ice coaching will be run by a skilled third party coach who is unaffiliated with the Cutthroats Youth Hockey program.
- The Cutthroats Youth Hockey Director and Vice President will be creating the age specific practice plans for each on ice session
- Over the course of the 3 practices, the YHD and VP along with 3 other coaches from outside the Cutthroats association will evaluate the kids on a variety of hockey skills (e.g., skating, edge control, and stick handling.)
- The Travel head coach and his chosen assistant coaches of each age classification will also do their own assessments during these practices. Once the last on ice session has finished, the unaffiliated evaluators, the YHD and the VP will meet to select the team after gathering input from the head and assistant coaches
- Travel teams will be announced via email one week after on ice tryouts occur.

All players interested in joining the travel team will be required to register and play on a house team when there are no scheduling conflicts with the travel program.

Additional Information

1. **Refunds:**
 - a. **Illness refund:** Should our season be canceled due to the Covid-19 pandemic, a prorated refund will be issued commensurate with point of season.
 - b. **Injury refund policy:** Once your child has attended two practices or more, the only refunds available are for medical conditions.
 - i. Prior to January 1 medical refunds will be given at the amount of 75% straight refund or 100% to be used towards other rink programming.
 - ii. After January 1 medical refunds will be given at a rate of 50% straight refund or 75% to be used towards other rink programming.
 - iii. NO medical refunds will be made after January 31.
 - c. **One practice policy:** We understand that sometimes a program doesn't end up matching the needs of a child. Your child can attend ONE practice and still receive a full if the program does not meet his or her needs.
2. **Practice Jerseys:** For the past two seasons, the Teton Valley Foundation Cutthroats Youth Hockey program has provided practice jerseys for all skaters. While we see the value of providing jerseys every year, this season, we're designating that money instead to player development and supporting coaches with improved practice equipment. Practice jerseys will be offered for sale at the pro-shop and will be provided to players new to the organization.
3. **Rental Equipment:** We will be offering rental equipment for \$65 to participants enrolled in Girls, Mini-Mites, Mites, or Squirts. Equipment included in season package rental is as follows: Helmet, Shoulder pads, Elbow pads, Gloves, Breezers, and Shin guards. Not included, but required: Stick, Skates, Hockey

socks, and mouthguard. We sell Mouthguards for \$5, Hockey socks for \$7 - \$16 and offer rental skates at \$3 per session.

4. **Communication:** Email is our preferred method of communication. Please be sure the email you include on your child's online registration is one that is checked frequently. We have also created a Facebook page to help distribute information - Please like and follow at "Teton Valley Cutthroats Youth Hockey". If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your age group's Parent Manager first.

Volunteer Hour Requirements

VOLUNTEER DEPOSIT: In order to continue developing our nonprofit Youth Hockey program, parents are required to volunteer at least 5 hours of time per season per child. This can include coaching, supporting tournaments, fundraising, being a team manager, and more. For families with multiple children registered for hockey, the deposit and the hours commitment will be capped at 2 children. A \$175 deposit per child (maximum deposit \$350) in the form of CHECK will be held to insure this commitment by all families. When the volunteer hours are completed, the check will be shredded. **If volunteer hours are not completed and reported by Friday, March 31st, 2021, the deposit will be donated to Cutthroat Youth Hockey the following Monday.**

Please note:

- Volunteer deposit must be in hand **before** the first practice in order for your child to participate.
- Please make check out to: Teton Valley Foundation. Check Date: March 31st, 2022
- Checks can be dropped off at Gear Pick Up (TBD) or mailed to TVF at PO Box 50, Victor ID 83455
- EXEMPTIONS:
 - 1. Coaches who have coached two seasons or more for the Cutthroats Organization and are currently coaching for the 2022-2023 season are exempt from this deposit.
 - 2. If you have more than two kids participating in the program the third child is exempt. We have capped this deposit at 2 players or \$350.

Recommendations

1. Black protective gear: To present a unified look during travel events, we're asking parents to try to purchase all black protective gear. We understand that it is an expensive process to replace equipment, so this is not required, but would appreciate consideration in this regard when purchasing new equipment.
2. Overspeed Hockey Camp: The second annual Teton Thanksgiving Skills camp is happening this year on November 18 - 20, 2022. This is a great opportunity for our kids aged 7 & older to experience a hockey camp, with high level professional coaches, without having to pay to travel. Registration is competitively priced and open now! Visit Overspeedhockey.com to register now! Tournament travel will not be allowed during this weekend to encourage participation in this extremely beneficial event.