



WFMHA Tryout Process

1) Evaluation Team

Head Coach, 1 Assistant Coach, 3 Independent Evaluators, 1 Goalie Evaluator

- Players will be evaluated objectively, based solely on the criteria in the evaluation forms provided by the WFMHA.
- Convener has ability to veto team selection if independent evaluators' results differ significantly from coach evaluations
- Evaluators must attend a minimum of 2 out of 3 tryouts

2) Pre- Tryout Package/meeting/ process

- All parents of children trying out for a team will receive a package at the conclusion of the pre-tryout meeting, prior to the onset of the first tryout. Contents will include (coaching philosophy, budget, program for the year, evaluation process, etc)

3) Tryout ice schedule

- Every team will run three, 1 hour tryout sessions
- After 2nd tryout ice time, head coach may choose to exclude top 3 forwards and top 2 defense as long as they coincide with the findings of the independent evaluators
- Players must also attend 2 out of 3 tryouts to be eligible for selection unless they have sustained a significant injury, in which case the coaching staff, evaluators, and convener will meet to determine eligibility

4) Jerseys

- Jerseys will be provided for tryouts by the WFMHA. Coaches must contact the WFMHA office at least 7 days prior to their scheduled first tryout, and arrange for pick up at the WFMHA office.
- **Jerseys will NOT be delivered to the rink. Also Jerseys must be cleaned prior to them being returned**

5) Releasing of players

- All players who are not chosen for a team will be told in person by the coaching staff. Coaches must book a private meeting room prior to tryouts where each player can be called in with their parent (if they choose). Coaching staff is to ask each player the same questions, and give both positive and constructive feedback. Affiliate positions may be offered in the spirit of development. All players exit through back door to avoid the lineup of others who have not yet received their news.