



### Adult Hockey League Information:

#### **I. General League Information**

- a. League Description
  - i. The Gardens Ice House Adult Hockey League is a team enrollment league. Captains are responsible for recruitment and maintenance of their rosters. The team as a whole is responsible for the collection or reimbursement of all League fees.
- b. Rules & Procedures
  - i. Please be sure to read the League Rules and Procedures. They can be found [here](#).
- c. Important Links
  - i. [Manage Account](#): this link can be used to manage your individual or team account (check team financials, make payments and view registrations and invoices).
  - ii. [Captain Registration](#): this link can be used by captains to register their team.
  - iii. [Player Registration](#): this link can be used by players to register on their team.
    - 1. Please note that once a team reaches 30 players the team will no longer show up as an option to register.
- d. Individual Players
  - i. Individual players are welcome to join the League via the Player Wait List, from which our Captains can recruit. Individuals interested in joining the League should email Nikki Goldschmitt ([nikkig@thegardensicehouse.com](mailto:nikkig@thegardensicehouse.com)) for more information.

#### **II. Critical Dates**

- a. Pre-Season Captain's Meeting: **July 26<sup>th</sup> at 8:30pm**
- b. Start Date: **September 7<sup>th</sup>** and runs for 26 regular season games

#### **III. League Cost**

- a. Team Cost:
  - i. \$8,618 if team registers before August 15<sup>th</sup> and the Captain pays the full fee
  - ii. \$8,818 if team registers before August 15<sup>th</sup> and the Captain allocates the team fee to players
  - iii. \$8,795 if team registers after August 15<sup>th</sup> and the Captain pays the full fee
  - iv. \$8,995 if team registers after August 15<sup>th</sup> and the Captain allocates the team fee to players
  - v. Installment Plan: \$500 deposit, half balance on September 29, and full balance October 29

- b. Payment Information
  - i. If Captain only pays deposit:
    - 1. Captain will need to know how much they are charging their full-time players, half-time players, goalies and subs
    - 2. Additional fees may have to be assigned to and paid by players at a later date if the captain assigns his players additional fees
    - 3. Captains will have the ability to see who has paid and adjust the fees assigned to players if needed. Once the players have registered, their names and amount paid will appear in the “Manage Account- Distribute Payments” section on Pointstreak.
  - ii. For players:
    - 1. Installment plan is available: one third due at time of registration, one third due September 29, balance due October 29
  - iii. Full team & player payments are due at registration unless utilizing the payment plan
  - iv. Please note: Failure to meet the payment date will result in forfeited games until the balance is paid
- c. Credits
  - i. Captains: For Captains who have credits remaining from the canceled Summer 2020 Season or the Mini-Season, credits get deducted from the total team fee. Credits cannot take the place of the deposit. Captains are still required to pay the deposit to register the team.
  - ii. Players: For players who have credits remaining from the canceled Summer 2020 Season or the Mini-Season, credits are deducted from your total owed. If your Captain assigned you more than the amount of your credit, you will have to pay the balance due upon registration.
- d. Season Includes
  - i. 27 game season
    - 1. This season includes 26 regular season games and single elimination playoff
    - 2. This season is an extended season. Six games have been added to the season to make up for the games missed due to the global pandemic.
  - ii. **Please note:** The Gardens Ice House reserves the right to re-schedule, cancel and/or amend the season due to unforeseen circumstances affecting the facility including, but not limited to, reasons due to a riot, war, invasion, acts of terrorism, civil war, earthquake, flood, fire or other physical natural disaster, order of any federal, state, or local government, or any other cause outside the control of The Gardens Ice House. The decision whether to re-schedule, cancel and/or amend a season as well as whether participants shall be provided refunds in the event that a season cannot be completed shall be in The Gardens Ice House’s sole discretion.

#### IV. Registration

##### a. Registration Information

###### i. Deadlines:

1. Teams must be registered by **August 31, 2021**
2. All players (including subs) must be registered by **November 6, 2021**

###### ii. USA Hockey:

1. All players must register as a Player/Coach with USA Hockey for the 2021-2022 season
2. Registering as an Official does not cover you as a player. Officials must also register with USA Hockey as a Player/Coach

##### b. Divisions

- i. The League will place the team according to their competitiveness during the seeding round. Team placements will be mandatory.
- ii. The League strives to maintain division parity. If a player is registered in a division and is found to be a player of higher abilities, the League reserves the right to remove the player from the roster and provide any and all assistance with finding that player a team at a more appropriate level.
- iii. Gold: Gold Division teams are comprised primarily of Elite level players. Team members are former professional (any level and Europe), NCAA, Major Junior, or Junior A. Slap slots allowed, no checking
- iv. Silver: Silver Division teams are comprised primarily of intermediate to advanced level players. Team members may have played no higher than the following levels: Junior B, Non-Varsity College, Midget AAA, Prep Schools or Varsity High School. Slap shots allowed, no checking.
- v. Bronze: Bronze Division teams are comprised primarily of less experienced recreational level players. Team members may have played some organized youth hockey up to the Bantam level. Slap shots allowed, no checking.
  1. Any rostered player who plays on a Silver Middle team or above may not play on a Bronze 1-3 team without prior approval from the league. The Captain of the Bronze team must submit a letter in writing as to why the player should be allowed to play Bronze.
  2. Bronze 4:
    - a. Bronze 4 players will be bound by certain rules, which all captains and players must abide by to be eligible to play for Bronze 4.
    - b. Bronze 4 rostered players should only consist of players with no youth/high school or college level experience. Under no circumstances should players with this experience be playing Bronze 4. Players with any experience will be removed from Bronze 4. No exceptions.
    - c. Any rostered player who plays on a Bronze 3 team may play on a Bronze 4 team without approval from the league.
    - d. Any rostered player who plays on a Bronze 1 or 2 team who wishes to play on a Bronze 4 team must submit a request for

- exception to the League. It must be a letter in writing as to why the player should be allowed to play Bronze 4.
- e. No players that play on a Bronze 4 team may play on a team that is higher than Bronze 1.
  - f. Bronze 4 Captains will begin to police their own division, by use of a Bronze 4 Captains Committee lead by Hector Rosario. As issues arise, they will be taken to the Captains Committee before being brought to the League.
- vi. Women's League: This part of our League is designed for women who are currently active in hockey or interested in getting into the game. Full range of talent levels welcome. Slap shots allowed, no checking.
    - 1. Individual registrations only.
    - 2. Interested players should contact John Scavilla ([hockeyjohn1@verizon.net](mailto:hockeyjohn1@verizon.net))
  - vii. Old Salt (50+): All players must be over 50 or turn 50 in 2021 or 2022.
    - 1. Goalies: to play as a goalie in the 50+ Division, goalies must be at least 40 years old.
    - 2. Sub Goalies: teams should be looking for goalies that are 40 and over. However, if they can not find one they may ask the other Captains in their division for approval to use a specific goalie who is younger than 40.
- c. Refund Policy
    - i. Individual player refunds are not provided by the League. Since each player is paying a portion of a team fee assigned by their Captain, refunds are an internal matter to be handled within each team.
    - ii. Team Overpayment Refund: If a team overpays their League fee, a refund will be issued back to the Captain after the roster freeze date. The Captain will then be responsible for distributing the fees back to his/her players as s/he sees fit.
    - iii. **Please note:** The Gardens Ice House reserves the right to re-schedule, cancel and/or amend the season due to unforeseen circumstances affecting the facility including, but not limited to, reasons due to a riot, war, invasion, acts of terrorism, civil war, earthquake, flood, fire or other physical natural disaster, order of any federal, state, or local government, or any other cause outside the control of The Gardens Ice House. The decision whether to re-schedule, cancel and/or amend a season as well as whether participants shall be provided refunds in the event that a season cannot be completed shall be in The Gardens Ice House's sole discretion.

## V. Roster

- a. Roster
  - i. Rosters will cap at 30 players (Captain + 29 players). After the roster cap is reached, we will still allow subs to be added, but they will be required to pay a \$50 administrative fee.

1. This administrative fee is not applied to the team fee and is non-refundable.
  - ii. Once a player registers, the only way to remove a player is complete a player trade. Players will not be removed from the roster to free up a roster spot for another player.
  - iii. Please note: USA Hockey limits the number of players on the bench to 18 skaters and 2 goalies per game.
- b. Roster Freeze
- i. All players must be registered on their teams by the roster freeze date of **November 6, 2021**.
  - ii. Once rosters are frozen, the only way a team can add a player to their roster is if they are doing a player trade, regardless of whether the team has 30 players on their roster or not.
  - iii. Roster Freeze Date (November 6, 2021) is 60 days from the start of the season (not from the start of each teams first game)
  - iv. In the event a team needs to permanently replace a player due to injury or relocation after the Roster Freeze date, teams can do a player trade to replace the player. The player being added will be required to pay a \$50 player add-on fee. It will be a one-for-one trade. Minimum game requirements for playoff eligibility still apply.

## **VI. GameAttendance**

- a. Player Check In
- i. All players must check in and present a photo ID. Player ID checks will be done from the start of the season until the roster freeze date of November 6, 2021, as well as during playoffs.
  - ii. Failure to provide a photo ID could result in not being permitted to play in the game.
- b. Game Attendance
- i. All players are required to have a unique number on their jersey. Duplicate jersey numbers or jerseys without a number are not permitted.
  - ii. If a player does not have a permanent jersey yet or forgets their jersey, they can use either another jersey or a pinnie. It should not have a duplicate jersey number on it regardless of whether the other player is present.
  - iii. The Captain has 48 hours after the game to review the scoresheet on Pointstreak and submit any corrections.
- c. Playoff Eligibility
- i. Players must play in a minimum of 7 games to be eligible for the playoffs
  - ii. Please remember: Players will be required to present a photo ID to check in for playoff games. If the player is unable to check in at the front desk, the player must present their photo ID to the scorekeeper. If a player does not present a photo ID, s/he will not be allowed to play in the playoff game.

**VII. Team Practices**

- a. Team practices can be arranged in the form of a private pick-up session.
- b. Cost is a rate of \$175 + 10% entertainment tax. This cost covers up to 40 players.
- c. Fee is due at the time of the reservation.
- d. Please note: practices are offered on extra available ice time, so practice lengths will vary

Thank you for being a member of The Gardens Ice House Adult Hockey League, one of USA Hockey's largest adult hockey programs!

-League Management