



HOCKEY CALGARY



COMMUNITY

HOUSE HOCKEY LEAGUE

Welcome Packet

What is the 'Flames Community House Hockey League'?

The **Flames Community House Hockey League** is a partnership between the Calgary Flames organization, Hockey Calgary and its member associations. The goal is to provide recreational players the opportunity to play organized hockey that is **affordable, fun and safe**, with **moderate, consistent**, time and location commitments allowing for participation in other social, academic or recreational activities. It also provides players with limited skills and knowledge an introduction to the game in a less intimidating format. The program is regionally based, offering participants a chance to play the great game of hockey with less time and travel commitments.



The Calgary Flames continue to sponsor House League hockey by providing game jerseys and socks. The Flames jerseys will be provided in a variety of colors and will provide the House League with their own identity within the Hockey Calgary program. Jerseys have been provided on a 2-year rotation. There will be a new batch of jersey and socks for the 2019-20 season and therefore players will be returning jerseys at the conclusion of the season.

This is NOT a "learn to skate" program. Players should have the basic fundamentals of skating including; stopping, gliding, turning, moving backwards and the proper technique for falling down and getting up.

South Calgary Hockey House League

The South Calgary Hockey House League (SCHHL) is one of 4 regionally based House Leagues operating under the Flames Community House Hockey League umbrella. Beginning in 2015-2016 and the purpose of the (SCHHL) is to provide players the opportunity to play organized hockey that is affordable, fun, and with moderate, consistent commitments allowing for participation in other social, academic or recreational activities.

The South Calgary Hockey House League is a partnership of the following Hockey Associations and we are **sponsored by the Flames Community House Hockey League**:

- Blackfoot Hockey Association
- Bow Valley Hockey Society
- Knights Hockey Club
- Southwest Hockey Association



South Calgary Hockey House League

Hockey registration in Calgary is determined by your location of residence. While the South Calgary Hockey House League is a cooperative league between multiple associations, we want you to know you are a member of the Knights Hockey Club, and we are proud to have you as a member!



House League vs. Community Tiered Hockey?

	House League	Community Tiered
Player Placement	Balanced teams will be created within each league	Players are tiered based on skill.
Set Schedules	Yes	No
Cash Calls	No	Yes
Volunteer Bond	No. However without volunteers the league will be unable to operate	Yes - Volunteer Bonds are determined by each Association
Full Ice Practices	No	Possibly
Full Ice Games	Novice - No Atom & Peewee – Yes	Novice - No Atom & Peewee – Yes
Fundraising	No	Yes - Fundraising guidelines are set by each Association.
Purchasing of additional ice	Not permitted	Yes
Participate in Exhibition Games	No	Yes
Participate in Tournaments	No	Yes
Participate in Esso Minor Hockey Week	No	Yes
Participate in Playoffs	No	Novice - No Atom & Peewee – Yes
Police Checks	Mandatory	Mandatory
Coaching Requirements – Novice <i>** 2 individuals will need to be certified to be Head Coach **</i>	Same in both leagues	Same in both leagues
Coaching Requirements – Atom & Peewee	All Coaches require: RIS Activity Leader (Coach).	Additional requirements are required for this division in the community league.
	Head Coaches require Coach Level 2 and only Peewee Head Coaches require Checking	
	Safety is strongly recommended for ALL coaches	

Future Initiatives

Hockey Calgary is working with all Leagues operating under the ‘Flames Community House Hockey League’ to help improve our programs. As with any initiative, there are a lot of moving parts, and things take time. However, the following are a couple of the initiatives being worked on:

- Increased consistency of ice times, days of the week, and arena locations
- City-wide ‘Flames Community House Hockey League’ Jamboree/Celebration to conclude the hockey season

Volunteering

While there is no volunteer bond associated with the Flames Community House Hockey League, like all minor hockey programs in Calgary, **volunteers are the back bone of our program.** House League is designed to be an option for families who have other commitments, or busy schedules, however, the leagues require volunteers to make the program operate efficiently. You may be asked to take on specific association, league, and/or game day volunteering roles. Please understand that like all minor hockey programs, without good, passionate volunteers from participants, our programs cannot sustain themselves.

Interested in Coaching?

Coaching is a fantastic way to volunteer and play a positive role in your child’s as well as many other children’s hockey experience. Hockey Calgary and its member associations take coaching very seriously to ensure all hockey players have fun and develop their skills in a safe environment. With that being said, there are some qualifications that must be obtained in order to coach, but don’t worry, Hockey Calgary and its member associations provide support (both administratively, and financially) to be sure obtaining necessary certifications is easy. In addition, there are many opportunities for further coach development throughout the season.

All interested Coaches will need to follow the procedure to register to coach, as set out by your “home” Association.

2019-20 Coaching Requirements – Deadline to complete is November 15, 2019

	<u>RIS Activity Leader</u>	<u>Police Check</u>	<u>Hockey Canada</u>	<u>Hockey Canada</u>	<u>Hockey Canada</u>	<u>Hockey Canada</u>
	<i>Different than the Parent course</i> (online course)	(Completed online. Contact your home association for instructions)	<u>Safety</u> (4-hour online course)	<u>Coach 1</u> (4-hour online course & 5.5-hour in-person ice/classroom)	<u>Coach 2</u> (4-hour online course & 5.5-hour in-person ice/classroom)	<u>Checking Skills</u> (1.5-hour online course & 6.5-hour in-person ice/classroom)
<u>Novice</u>	All Coaches *see note	All Coaches – Takes 3 weeks to complete so don’t delay!	2 Coaches per team. Home Association rules apply. **see note	Head Coach and 1 Assistant Coach	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

Atom	All Coaches *see note	All Coaches Takes 3 weeks to complete so don't delay!	1 Coach per team. Home Association rules apply. **see note	Not Applicable	Head Coach Only	Not Applicable
Peewee	All Coaches *see note	All Coaches Takes 3 weeks to complete so don't delay!	1 Coach per team. Home Association rules apply. **see note	Not Applicable	Head Coach Only	Head Coach Only

* This RIS program **MUST be completed PRIOR** to a coach being able to register on a team (which means needs to be completed **BEFORE going on the ice** with your team to be covered by Hockey Canada Insurance).

There must be a Coach in attendance for **every ice time that has the Safety certification. To relieve the burden on the volunteers we strongly recommend that every Coach complete this certification!!

Hockey Calgary Events

Hockey Calgary in partnership with its member associations host a number of different events throughout the year. Many of these events do not pertain specifically to the Flames Community House Hockey League. However, they are excellent opportunities to experience and view wonderful hockey events through the city. More information can be found at www.hockeycalgary.com

October 11-18, 2019 – Breakfast Television Atom Classic (Community Hockey Stream)

November 4, 2019 – Hockey Calgary Leadership Day (All Streams – Peewee & Bantam)

January 11-18, 2020 – Esso Minor Hockey Week (Community, Rec, and Elite Hockey Streams)

March 3-8, 2020 – Year End Rec Hockey Tournament (Rec Hockey Stream - Peewee)

March 10-15, 2020 – Year End Rec Hockey Tournament (Rec Hockey Stream – Bantam, Midget, Junior)

March 14, 2020 – Timbits Jamboree (Community Hockey Stream)

April 20, 2020 – Hockey Calgary Volunteer Celebration

June 2020 (date tbd) – Hockey Calgary AGM

June 2020 (date tbd) – Hockey Calgary Golf Tournament