



***STREAMS OF PLAY***

***2024-2025***



## 2024-2025 STREAMS OF PLAY

**Confederation Hockey Club (“CHC”) is excited to announce the continuation of the Confederation Hockey ‘Streams of Play’ model for the 2024-25 season.**

This package provides information on the programming model and the associated fees. There have been minor updates to the program again this year, based on feedback received.

**What:** The “Streams of Play” model is intended to provide two or three distinct program options (Streams) to families within the existing age categories that vary in cost and time commitment.

**Why:** A “Streams of Play” model gives families the opportunity to participate in a hockey program that best suits their needs. We have heard from families who unexpectedly encountered additional costs and time commitments that were not made clear up front. Our Confederation Hockey “Streams of Play” model adds more transparency to the cost and time commitment of playing hockey.

**Programming:** By having two or three program options, families and players can participate in a program that best suits players’ skill/competition needs, as well as time commitment and cost constraints. In U9, U11, and U13, there will be two or three program Streams: Community, Development and Competitive. U7 programming remains similar to previous years.

**Fees:** To ensure families know the full cost of the hockey season up front, registration fees now reflect all costs anticipated to arise during the season. While fees may appear higher than other clubs or past seasons, fees now capture “hidden costs” that players and teams were realistically incurring before (e.g. on extra development ice, extra tournaments, etc.). Total player fees and cash calls are now capped. Details on programming are provided in this package so that families can see exactly what is and is not included in registration fees.

**Fundraising:** Teams who require additional funds (e.g. to participate in additional tournaments, purchase team apparel, etc.) must do so through fundraising, as cash calls will be capped. Recognizing the time commitment of fundraising, the number and type of fundraising activities will be limited. CHC has developed fundraising guidelines which are included in this document.

**Selection of Program (U9, U11, U13):** During the registration process, families will select their preferred program. The Category Directors will have the families preference during team placement and every effort will be made to place players in their chosen program.

**Fee Payment:** During online registration families will be charged the fees for their chosen Stream (Community or Development), with payment options available. Competitive fees for those selected for Competitive teams will be charged after team formation in the fall.

We are happy to continue offering this innovative programming to our families!

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## U7 PROGRAMMING AND REGISTRATION COSTS - 2024-2025



1. Placement in a U7 program is based solely on age.

Birth Year	Program:	
2020	Discovery	No Evaluations/Timed Skate
2019	Junior Timbits	Optional Evaluations/Timed Skate **
2018	Senior Timbits	Evaluation/Timed Skate in September for team placement.

Program	Discovery	Junior Timbits	Senior Timbits
Select program based on age: (see note 1 above)	Once a week program for 4 year olds	Once a week program for 5 year olds	Twice a week program for 6 year olds
<b>Total Registration Fee</b>	<b>\$215</b>	<b>\$250</b>	<b>\$445</b>

\* Fees shown include the Early Bird Discount of \$100 in place until June 23, 2024. All Total Registration Fees increase by \$100 as of June 24, 2024.

\*\* Junior Timbits players may optionally participate in Evaluations/Timed Skates.

If they place within the top 25% of SR Timbits evaluation times they will be given the option to move to SR Timbits.

### U7 - Program Outline

	Discovery	Junior Timbits	Senior Timbits
Small area game sessions	0	0	18
Practices	18	18	18
Team Club Development Ice (Team Club D)	N/A	N/A	N/A
Approx Days Per Week	1	1	2
Timbits Jamborees	2	2	2
Practice Jersey and Socks	Socks Only	Socks Only	Socks Only
Volunteer Credits Required	1	1	1

#### Registration and Fees Notes:

- All U7 programs follow the Hockey Canada/Hockey Edmonton U7 program model.
- Any additional costs once placed on a team (cash calls) are capped at a maximum of \$40/player for all teams in all U7 programs.  
These costs would cover things such as a year end party.
- Team Club Development Ice sessions are additional skill development sessions led by third party providers.
- Timbits Jamborees take place in December and March.  
Each team will have 1-2 small area game sessions per jamboree, scheduled by Hockey Edmonton.
- Socks are for players to keep.
- For details of volunteer requirements, refer to the Confed Hockey Website, or volunteer requirement pages in the player registration package.

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## U9 PROGRAMMING AND REGISTRATION COSTS - 2024-2025



1. During registration, Players choose their preference between Development or Community Stream.

The total fee for the chosen Stream is charged at time of registration, with payment options available.

2. Appropriate tiering level for players is determined during player evaluations in August or September.

3. If players are not able to be placed on a team in their chosen stream, Stream fee will be refunded upon team formation in the Fall.

PROGRAM (Stream)	COMMUNITY	DEVELOPMENT	
Program Description	Standard Program. Lowest cost, least time commitment	Standard Program + Added Practices, Development and Tournament(s)	
Fees	Base U9 Fee	Base U9 Fee	+ Stream Fee
Tier 1	N/A	\$660	\$250
Tier 2	\$660 **	\$660	\$250
Tier 3	\$660	\$660	\$250
Tier 4	\$660	\$660 **	\$250 **
Tier 5	\$660	N/A	
Tier 6	\$660	N/A	
Rec League	Rec League registrations are no longer taken by Confed, please contact Hockey Edmonton		
Important Note about Fees:	Fees may seem high compared to other clubs. This is because Confed's fees are "all-in", and do not allow for significant extra costs to be added by teams throughout the year. Cash calls are capped, and fees already include money to be used for extra practices, development ice, tournament fees, etc.		
Total Registration Fee	\$660	\$910	

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\*\* Program availability at noted tiers is dependant on preference and registration numbers

### U9 - PROGRAM OUTLINE

	COMMUNITY	DEVELOPMENT
Games	18	18
Team Practices Included	24	32
Team Practice Maximum (See note 4)	28	36
Team-Building / Off-Ice Sessions	2	2
Team Development Ice (Team Club D)	N/A	4
Goalie Development Ice (Goalie Club D)	"Beginner Goalie" sessions available after Team Formation	
Tournaments Included	1	2
Tournament Maximum (See note 4)	2	3
Minor Hockey Week (2 games)	Yes	Yes
Playoffs	No - EFHL Jamboree in lieu of Playoffs (2 games)	
Practice Jersey and Socks	Included	Included
Team Gear and Apparel	Not Included	Not Included
Max Cash Call	\$100	\$200
Volunteer Credits Required	2	2

#### REGISTRATION AND FEES NOTES:

- During team formation, players will be placed onto teams based on Evaluation results and Streams choice. Every effort is made to try and honour Streams choice.
- In cases where players need to move UP a stream due to evaluation results, they will be contacted during team formation.
- Any additional costs once placed on a team (cash calls) are capped at a maximum of the amounts listed above, per player (if required).  
Beyond this, costs must be covered by fundraising or sponsorships. Team Fundraising will follow the fundraising guidelines table.
- Teams may book additional practices and tournaments up to the maximum's listed, with costs covered by team funds (cash calls and fundraising).
- Games are half ice, following the Hockey Canada/Hockey Alberta U9 model. Full ice opportunities may exist later in the season, per Hockey Alberta regulations.

#### PROGRAMMING NOTES AND FAQ:

See the attached FAQ document for additional notes and information regarding Streams of Play program options and details.

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## U11 PROGRAMMING AND REGISTRATION COSTS - 2024-2025



1. During registration, Players choose their preference between Development or Community Stream.  
 The total fee for the chosen Stream is charged at time of registration, with payment options available.
2. Appropriate tiering level for players is determined during player evaluations in August or September.
3. If players are not able to be placed on a team in their chosen stream, Stream fee will be refunded upon team formation in the Fall.

Program (Stream)	Community	Development		Competitive	
Program Description	Standard Program. Lowest cost, least time commitment	Standard Program + Added Practices, Development and Tournament(s)		Must be selected for team. Highest cost and time commitment	
Fees	U11 Base Fee	U11 Base Fee	+ Stream Fee	U11 Base Fee	+ Stream Fee
HADP	N/A	N/A		\$890	\$800
Tier 1	N/A	\$890 **	\$300 **	\$890	\$800
Tier 2	\$890 **	\$890	\$300	Competitive Stream is HADP and Tier 1 only. See Streams FAQ page for more information.	
Tier 3	\$890	\$890	\$300		
Tier 4	\$890	\$890	\$300		
Tier 5	\$890	\$890 **	\$300 **		
Rec League	Rec League registrations are no longer taken by Confed, please contact Hockey Edmonton				
Important note about fees:	<i>Fees may seem high compared to other clubs. This is because Confed's fees are "all-in", and do not allow for significant extra costs to be added by teams throughout the year. Cash calls are capped, and fees already include money to be used for extra practices, development ice, tournament fees, etc.</i>				
Total Registration Fee	\$890	\$1,190		\$1,690	

\* Fees shown include the Early Bird Discount of \$100 in place until June 23, 2024. All Total Registration Fees increase by \$100 as of June 24, 2024.  
 \*\* Program availability at noted tiers is dependant on preference and registration numbers

### U11 - Program Outline

Program (Stream)	Community	Development	Competitive
Games (Reg Season)	18	18	24
Team Practices Included	24	32	45
<i>Team Practice Maximum (See note 5)</i>	28	38	50
Team-Building / Off-Ice Sessions	2	2	2
Team Development Ice (Team Club D)	N/A	3	5
Goalie Development Ice (Goalie Club D)	4	8	12
Tournaments Included	1	2	3
<i>Tournament Maximum (See note 5)</i>	2	3	4
Minor Hockey Week (2 or more games)	Yes	Yes	Yes
Playoffs (2 to 6 games)	Yes	Yes	Yes
Practice Jersey and Socks	Included	Included	Included
Team Gear and Apparel	Not Included	Not Included	Not Included
Max Cash Call	\$100	\$150	\$200
Volunteer Credits Required	2	2	2

#### Registration and Fees Notes:

1. In August, there will be a separate, paid tryout to select the HADP team. After the HADP tryout, players not selected will move on to the standard Evaluations.  
 After the standard Evaluations, the Competitive Tier 1 team(s) will be selected based on Evaluation results of *all players (excluding HADP players)*.  
 Players offered a place on a Competitive team may opt-out if they wish, provided there is a suitable tier team to place them on based on evaluation results.
2. After Competitive teams are formed, all other players will be placed onto teams based on Evaluation results, and Streams choice.  
 While every effort will be made to place players in their preferred Stream, **placing players in an appropriate tier is the higher priority**.
3. In cases where players need to move UP a stream due to evaluation results, they will be contacted during team formation.
4. Any additional costs once placed on a team (cash calls) are capped at a maximum of the amounts listed above, per player (if required).  
 Beyond this, costs must be covered by fundraising or sponsorships. Team Fundraising will follow the fundraising guidelines table.
5. Teams may book additional practices and tournaments up to the maximum's listed, with costs covered by team funds (cash calls and fundraising).

#### Programming Notes and FAQ:

See the attached FAQ document for additional notes and information regarding Streams of Play program options and details.

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## U13 PROGRAMMING AND REGISTRATION COSTS - 2024-2025



1. During registration, Players choose their preference between Development or Community Stream.  
The total fee for the chosen Stream is charged at time of registration, with payment options available.
2. Appropriate tiering level for players is determined during player evaluations in August or September.
3. If players are not able to be placed on a team in their chosen stream, Stream fee will be refunded upon team formation in the Fall.

Program (Stream)	Community	Development		Competitive	
Program Description	Standard Program. Lowest cost, least time commitment	Standard Program + Added Practices, Development and Tournament(s)		Must be selected for team. Highest cost and time commitment	
Fees	U13 Base Fee	U13 Base Fee	+ Stream Fee	U13 Base Fee	+ Stream Fee
Tier 1	N/A	N/A		\$1,020	\$730
Tier 2	N/A	\$1,020 **	\$300 **	\$1,020	\$630
Tier 3	\$1,020 **	\$1,020	\$300	Competitive Stream is Tiers 1 and 2 only. See Streams FAQ page for more information.	
Tier 4	\$1,020	\$1,020	\$300		
Tier 5	\$1,020	\$1,020	\$300		
Tier 6	\$1,020	\$1,020 **	\$300 **		
Rec League	Rec League registrations are no longer taken by Confed, please contact Hockey Edmonton				
Important note about fees:	Fees may seem high compared to other clubs. This is because Confed's fees are "all-in", and do not allow for significant extra costs to be added by teams throughout the year. Cash calls are capped, and fees already include money to be used for extra practices, development ice, tournament fees, etc.				
Total Registration Fee	\$1,020	\$1,320		\$1,750 (Tier 1) / \$1,650 (Tier 2)	

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 \*\* Program availability at noted tiers is dependant on preference and registration numbers

### U13 - Program Outline

	Community	Development	Competitive
Games (Reg Season)	20	20	24 (Tier 1) / 20 (Tier 2)
Team Practices Included	24	32	45
Team Practice Maximum (See note 5)	28	38	50
Team-Building / Off-Ice Sessions	2	2	2
Team Development Ice (Team Club D)	N/A	3	5
Goalie Development Ice (Goalie Club D)	4	8	12
Tournaments Included	1	2	3
Tournament Maximum (See note 5)	2	3	4
Minor Hockey Week (2 or more games)	Yes	Yes	Yes
Playoffs (2 to 6 games)	Yes	Yes	Yes
Practice Jersey and Socks	Included	Included	Included
Team Gear and Apparel	Not Included	Not Included	Not Included
Max Cash Call	\$100	\$150	\$200
Volunteer Credits Required	2	2	2

#### Registration and Fees Notes:

1. After Evaluations, Competitive teams will be selected based on Evaluation results of all players.  
Players offered a place on a Competitive team may opt-out if they wish, provided there is a suitable tier team to place them on based on evaluation results.
2. After Competitive teams are formed, all other players will be placed onto teams based on Evaluation results, and Streams choice.  
While every effort will be made to place players in their preferred Stream, **placing players in an appropriate tier is the higher priority.**
3. In cases where players need to move UP a stream due to evaluation results, they will be contacted during team formation.
4. Any additional costs once placed on a team (cash calls) are capped at a maximum of the amounts listed above, per player (if required).  
Beyond this, costs must be covered by fundraising or sponsorships. Team Fundraising will follow the fundraising guidelines table.
5. Teams may book additional practices and tournaments up to the maximum's listed, with costs covered by team funds (cash calls and fundraising).

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## STREAMS OF PLAY NOTES AND FAQ - 2024-2025



This page is intended to answer the most frequently asked questions about Streams of Play.

If you have additional questions not answered here related to Streams, please contact Hockey Operations at [HockeyOps@confedhockey.org](mailto:HockeyOps@confedhockey.org)

### Additional Programming Notes:

1. Regular season games includes pre-season tiering round and regular season.
2. Practices are a mix of full and half ice practices. Teams may use team funds to purchase extra practices beyond what is included, up to the maximum limit listed.
3. Off-ice events are intended to include; 1 Kids in the Crowd package at a U of A Golden Bears game, and \$300 for a team event (ex. Year end party)
4. Team Development ice sessions are additional skill development sessions run by outside third-party providers, focusing on fundamental, individual skills.
5. Goalie Development ice sessions are additional goalie specific sessions led by third party providers. (Non-goalies do not attend)
6. Number of tournaments listed includes the Confed Christmas Tournament. Teams will be reimbursed for additional included tournaments up to \$1500 / tournament.
7. Minor Hockey Week takes place during mid-January and includes a minimum of 2 games, but could be up to 6 depending on results.
8. Playoffs includes a minimum of 3 games, but could be more depending on results.
9. Practice Jerseys and Socks are for players to keep.
10. For details of volunteer requirements, refer to the Confed Hockey Website, or volunteer requirement pages in the player registration package.
11. U13 Tiers 1 to 4 have the potential to qualify for and attend provincials. This would likely be out of town and come at an additional cost.

## FAQ

### Why does Confed have Streams of Play?

The purpose of Streams of Play is to provide transparency to the cost and time commitment of playing hockey, and allow families to choose a hockey program that best suits their needs. Hockey is an expensive sport, and by offering multiple program options of varying cost and time commitment, we hope to help more kids playing hockey for longer.

### Why isn't Competitive Stream a choice at registration like last year for U11 and U13?

To simplify the registration and team formation process, we felt this would be beneficial. This season, all players will participate in the same evaluations (except HADP), and the top ranked players will be offered spots on the Competitive teams. Playing on a top tier Competitive team is a big time and money commitment, so players will have the opportunity to opt-out, provided there is a suitable team available to place them on in a different stream that suits their skill level.

### Why are the full fees including the Stream fee paid up front now?

Collecting Stream fees after team formation has been complicated, and adds significant workload for the Club and our volunteers. Collecting the full fees up front and refunding if required, will be a simpler process. It is also expected that only a very small number of players will require a refund as most players will be placed in their preferred Stream, making for a lot fewer necessary transactions after registration.

### What happens if a team doesn't receive the full amount of included practices?

If Teams don't receive the specified number of practices, they will be credited for the missing practices, and refunds to each player processed after the season.

### Why has the amount of Team Club D been reduced?

Recent seasons feedback from Parents and Coaches has been mixed regarding Team Club D. It is also much more expensive to run than regular practices. Many coaches have indicated that they would prefer to reduce Club D and use the savings to get more team practices, so the decision was made to follow this feedback.

### Why isn't unlimited fundraising allowed?

Streams of Play is about cost transparency, but also transparency of time commitment. Fundraising can take significant time and effort, and so to protect families from unexpected time commitment outside of hockey, constraints are placed around all Club activities that require either cost or time commitment.

### Why is there a maximum number of practices?

Streams of Play is about cost transparency, but also transparency of time commitment. More practices is both more cost and more time, and we want our parents to know what is expected when they sign up to play hockey with Confed.

### Why is there a maximum number of Tournaments?

Streams of Play is about cost transparency, but also transparency of time commitment. More Tournaments are both more cost and more time, and we want our parents to know what is expected when they sign up to play hockey with Confed.

### What if everyone on our team wants to pay more and go over the maximums?

We believe the maximums listed provide an appropriate amount of programming, and there should be no need to exceed them. Experience shows that while some families may say they want, or agree to more practice, tournaments, etc. when in a team setting (like a team meeting), in reality some don't want more - but also don't want to be seen as an obstacle to the team so agree to things anyway. Clear boundaries and expectations up front eliminate this problem.

### Confed is the only Club doing Streams of play, why?

Confed is the only Club (that we know of) that calls their program "Streams of Play", but there are many other Clubs who use elements of what we do, and in some cases have copied what Confed has done since we implemented it. Our yearly survey results show that overall, our Parents like Streams of Play.

### Streams is hurting our competitiveness, why are we still doing it?

Streams isn't hurting the Clubs competitiveness. It has been exceptionally rare since Streams was introduced that a player played in a tier below their evaluation results due to Streams choice. Our top ranked players play on our top tier teams, and anything other than this is very rare. While we do give the option for players to opt-out of playing on a Competitive team if they made the team, history has shown this to be very uncommon.

### Why didn't I get my chosen Stream?

Our Directors do everything they can to try and place players on teams in their preferred Stream. However, various factors sometimes prevent this from being possible for every player. Since Streams was introduced, players have been able to be placed in their preferred Stream a very high percentage of the time.

### What is HADP?

HADP stands for Hockey Alberta Development Pilot. It is a program for top-tier U11 players only, and is the top tier of U11 (above Tier 1).

# CONFEDERATION HOCKEY CLUB

## TEAM FUNDRAISING GUIDELINES - 2024-2025



Fundraising is a great tool Teams can utilize to gain funds to enhance their hockey season. However, fundraising also represents additional time commitments for families. Teams are to follow the guidelines below for fundraising activities, to avoid putting additional burden on families.

Pre-Approved Fundraising Activities No Limits	Pre-approved fundraising activities Maximum no. of events per team:		
All Teams	Community Max 2 Events	Development Max 3 events	Competitive Max 4 events
Club Led Fundraising	Bottle Drives		
Club Wide Raffle	Pub Nights		
Hockey Pools	Product Sales (ex. sausage, chocolate)		
50/50 draws at team's games (requires AGLC license)	Wine Survivor or simiar		
Sales Apps (ex. Flip Give)	Any other fundraising activitiy not listed in the no limits pre-approved fundraising category		
Stollery Tournament	For any concerns, or questions about activities not listed here, talk to your Category Director		
<p><b>It is important for Head Coaches and Managers to consider these fundraising constraints when planning their season.</b></p>			
<p><b>If assistance is needed creating a team budget, please contact your Category Director or Hockey Operations. Budget templates and guidelines are available.</b></p>			