

General information

We will keep the process similar for all levels except for initiation. The majority of the team will be selected by evaluations and the final pick or picks will be done by the coach. We have decided that we can not post the exact number of players or picks as this sometimes needs to be adjusted. For example, if our initial plan is to protect 8 forwards, but based on the scores, the 8th and 9th forward are tied, we have to choose to protect 7 or 9 forwards. This is the reason we can not commit to an exact number of protected players and coaches picks. Please know that many thoughts and hours are put in to make this as fair as possible and place all players on the most suitable team.

Initiation

The IP group is not part of the formal evaluation process. DMHA will work with the IP Level Coordinator and coaches to split the players into 2 teams. This will be done over the weekend of September 28th and 29th. This will have some ice times on September 21st & 22nd.

Novice

- The players have been divided into 3 teams for evaluations.
- Each team will have 1 Skills session and 2 Scrimmages between Friday, September 13th and Sunday, September 15th.
- These sessions will allow our Evaluators to rank the players from 1-43 Specific positions are **NOT** considered at this age.
- A coach for Novice 1 will be selected on Monday. This roster will consist of 12 or 13 skaters.
- Players ranked in the top section (# determined by committee) will skate again on Monday, September 16th and Tuesday, September 17th. A selected # of top players will be on the team based on the weekend evaluations. Novice 1 Head Coach will select the final player(s) for their roster. Novice 1 is now complete and the process repeats with the remaining players to make Novice 2.
- A coach for Novice 2 will be selected Wednesday, September 18th. This roster will consist of 12 or 13 skaters.
- The remaining players will skate again on Thursday, September 19th. A selected # of top remaining skaters based on the weekend evaluations will be on Novice 2 and the Novice 2 coach will select the final skater(s) to fill their roster. A selected group of players will skate on the weekend as well. Novice 2 will be complete.
- This leaves the rest of the skaters to make up Novice 3 and a coach can be picked.
- Additional notes on the new Novice format will be at the bottom

Atom

- The players have been divided into 3 teams for evaluations.
- Each team will have 1 Skills session and 2 Scrimmages between Friday, September 13th and Sunday, September 15th.
- These sessions will allow our Evaluators to rank the players. Goalies (hybrid and full time), defence, and forwards. (Hybrid player will be evaluated as a goalie and a skater) ***Currently no Hybrids.
- A coach for Atom 1 will be selected on Monday September 16th. This roster will likely consist of 13 skaters. The exact # of skaters or the breakdown of Forwards and Defence will not be known until the Goalies can be factored in because it depends where the full time and hybrid goalies place.
- Players will skate again on Monday, September 16th and Wednesday, Sept. 18th. This will be Goalies, Defence, and Forwards. This will allow Atom 1 Coach to select the final players for their roster.
- A coach for Atom 2 will be selected Thursday, September 19th. This roster will likely consist of 13 players. The exact breakdown of Forwards and Defence will not be known until the Goalies can be factored in because it depends where the full time and hybrid goalies place.
- All remaining players will skate again on Saturday, September 21st. This will be all remaining Goalies, Defence, and Forwards. A selected group of players will play in a game on Sept. 22nd. This will allow

Atom 2 Head Coach to select the final players for their roster. Atom 2 is now complete and the remaining players will be placed on Team 3 and a coach can be picked.

Pee Wee

- The players have been divided into 3 teams for evaluations.
- Each team will have 1 Skills session and 2 Scrimmages between Friday, September 13th and Sunday, September 15th.
- These sessions will allow our Evaluators to rank the players. Goalies, Defence, Forwards
- A coach for Pee Wee 1 will be selected on Monday evening. This roster will consist of 1 or 2 Goalies and likely 14-16 skaters. The top Goalies and skaters will skate on Tuesday, September 17th and Wednesday, September 18th. The top players will be placed on the team based on the weekend evaluations. Pee Wee 1 Head Coach will select the final players to complete their roster.
- A coach for Pee Wee 2 will be selected on Thursday, September 19th. This roster will consist of 1 or 2 Goalies and likely 14-16 skaters.
- All remaining Pee Wee players will skate on Friday, September 20th. A selected group of players will also play in a game on Saturday, Sept. 21st. The top players will be placed on the team based on evaluation scores and the Pee Wee 2 Head coach will select the final players.
- Remaining players will form Pee Wee 3 and a coach can be selected.

Note: Team size and numbers will change if/when players make AA teams outside of DMHA.

Bantam & Midget

Bantam and Midget Evaluations start the weekend after the Novice, Atom, and Pee Wee teams. Ice slots are available for those wishing to skate leading up to Evaluations. Please check the DMHA ice schedule as these times will be listed as Bantam Conditioning and Midget Conditioning.

Bantam

- The players have been divided into 2 teams for evaluations. Each team will have 1 Skills session and 2 Scrimmages between Friday, September 20th and Sunday, September 22nd.
- These sessions will allow our Evaluators to rank the players. Goalies, Defence, Forwards.
- A coach for Bantam 1 will be selected on Sunday (22nd) evening.
- A selected # of players will skate again on Tuesday September 24th. Top players will be placed on the roster based on evaluation scores from the weekend. Bantam 1 Head Coach will select the final players to fill out the roster.
- The remaining players will make up Bantam 2 and a head coach will be selected on Friday, September 27th.

Note – Team size and numbers will change if/when players make AAA or AA teams outside of DMHA.

Midget

- The players have been divided into ? teams for evaluations.
- Each team will have 1 Skills session and 2 Scrimmages between Friday, September 20th and Sunday, September 22nd.
- These sessions will allow our Evaluators to rank the players. Goalies, Defence, Forwards.
- A coach for Midget 1 will be selected on Sunday (22nd) evening.
- A selected # of players will skate again on Monday September 23rd. Top players will be placed on the roster based on evaluation scores from the weekend. Midget 1 Head Coach will select the final players to fill out the roster.
- Remaining players will form Midget 2 and a coach will be picked once Midget 1 is finalized.

Note – team size and numbers will change if/when players make AAA or AA teams outside of DMHA

Additional Notes on Novice

- Novice 1 and Novice 2 will be entered into the NAI program. These rosters will be 12/13 players
- Novice 3 will be made up of all remaining players, potentially around 19 players.
- Novice 3 will be responsible for arranging a series of their own games with surrounding communities that will have teams of similar sizes. Many communities have agreed to do it this way.
- This will allow for the teams to be split in 2 groups and have 2 half ice games going on at the same time.
- This size of team also allows the coach to have a full game between themselves when they choose.