

Registration Package

Registration for the 2025 -2026 season will begin online on Monday, June 2!

	Maanaf	Early Bird	Registering
	Year of	(register	<u>after</u> July
Division	Birth	<u>before</u> July 15)	15
U7 (Discovery)	2021	\$375.00	\$525.00
U7 (Jr Timbits)	2020	\$375.00	\$525.00
U7 (Sr Timbits)	2019	\$475.00	\$625.00
U9 (formerly Novice)	2017-2018	\$700.00	\$850.00
U11 (formerly Atom)	2015-2016	\$850.00	\$1,000.00
U13 (formerly Peewee)	2013-2014	\$975.00	\$1,125.00

Online registration is available at <u>swat.ca</u> under the <u>Registration</u> tab

*Registration is not considered complete until all supporting documents are RECEIVED and payment arrangements made. Online registration is only one component of registration. Please use the checklist found at the back of this package to ensure that all registration requirements are met.

Registration Requirements

<u>Returning players</u>: Registration is available <u>online</u>. After you have registered online, all required forms, deposit cheques and payments must be forwarded to the SWAT Registrar (swat.registrar@gmail.com) to complete the registration.

Have you moved? Please complete an Address Verification using the <u>Hockey Alberta Parent Declaration form</u>, which includes proof of residency by way of a recent utility bill showing the service address, name, and date. You upload the copy of your utility bill to the <u>Hockey Alberta Parent Declaration</u> form. (Minor Hockey Association Submission to: swat.registrar@gmail.com)

<u>New Players</u>: Can <u>register online</u>. Required documents are Proof of Age (copy of Birth Certificate OR Passport) AND Proof of Residency (utility bill or drivers licence) can be uploaded to your Hockey Canada account at the time of registration.

<u>Transferring players</u>: Please contact <u>swat.registrar@gmail.com</u>; SWAT Hockey will request a transfer for you. **PLEASE DO NOT REGISTER ONLINE**. Please note that the family must reside within the SWAT boundaries as of September 1, 2025. To check boundaries, please <u>click here</u>. SWAT will only accept players that reside within the SWAT boundary.



Payment Options:

Credit Card: Paid in full at time of registration. For online credit card payments only, an option exists for a multi payment option. 50% of the registration fee must be paid upon registration and the balance must be paid equally over three payments set to charge on Sept 1, Oct 1, and Nov 1.

E-Transfer: Paid in full at time of registration. Payments must be sent to <u>swat.payments@gmail.com</u>. No password needed, please put your player's name in the comments. Please note, there is an option to pay in **two** installments. 50% of the amount must be paid at the time of registration, and 50% paid by Oct 1. Payments coming in after Oct 1 will be charged a \$25 admin fee per player.

Cheque: Paid in full at time of registration. Please note, there is an option to pay in two installments. 50% of the amount must be paid at the time of registration, and 50% paid post dated for Oct 1. Payments coming in after Oct 1 or NSF cheques will be charged a \$25 admin fee per player. Please mail cheques to SWAT Hockey, PO Box 21121, Edmonton, AB T6R 2V4

Financial Assistance Programs

The below programs are managed by non-profit organizations. Information, application and qualifying information can be found on the respective links: KidSport: <u>https://kidsportcanada.ca/alberta/edmonton/hap/</u> JumpStart: <u>https://jumpstart.canadiantire.ca/#wanttoapply</u> Lace 'Em Up: <u>http://laceemup.ca/</u>

Coaching and Assistant Coaching with SWAT Hockey

Thank you for your interest in Coaching or Assistant Coaching! Coaches and Assistant Coaches are entered into the Hockey Canada Registration system the same way as players, so we need you to register online too!

To use the <u>online registration system used by SWAT Hockey</u>—make an account, or sign in to your existing account, choose '*register a new participant*', select Bench Staff, then the Coach or Assistant Coach Package, answer questions, and complete registration. Please confirm that you are registering yourself to coach, and not your player.

If you are new to coaching, and have played hockey previously, you may already be in the Hockey Canada system. Please contact the Registrar (email: swat.registrar@gmail.com) to verify and have your Hockey Canada account transferred to SWAT Hockey.

Please complete your registration as soon as possible as this will allow us to follow up with you during the summer months so you are ready to hit the ice at the beginning of the 2024-25 season! Follow up will include a Police Information Check, Vulnerable Sector Check and any outstanding certification requirements.

SWAT Hockey reimburses for approved Coaching courses for our Coaches and Assistants. Once completed, please forward course receipts and <u>this form</u> to <u>swat.treasurer@gmail.com</u>



Please note that Coaches that completed the Coaches Respect in Sport (RIS) Course more than 4 years ago will be required to recertify for the upcoming season. **Please email <u>swat.registrar@gmail.com</u> for the prepayment code**.

Registration Requirement: Respect in Sport (RIS)

The Respect in Sport Program is an online certification program designed to protect our youth as well as enhance Hockey Alberta's mandate of providing a safe and fun environment for all of our participants. It is Canada's leading online bullying, abuse, harassment, and negligence prevention program for parents, coaches, and community leaders. There are two streams of RIS - one for parents and one for coaches. Each family must complete RIS, and once completed it will link to your player's Hockey Canada account. Please note, this is at your expense, there is only a pre-pay code for the Coach's RIS. Your certificate is valid for 4 years from the date of completion. Please visit

<u>https://www.hockeyalberta.ca/members/respect-sport/</u> for more information and complete RIS. If you do not know your certificate number or date of completion, please <u>click here</u>.

Registration Requirement: Volunteer Deposit Program

SWAT Hockey is a volunteer-run organization, and depends on the volunteer assistance of its members to function successfully. Volunteers are essential to maintaining and growing the SWAT Hockey Club.

Overview of SWAT's Volunteer Deposit Program:

- Every family is required to complete volunteer commitments for the current season unless they have paid the volunteer opt-out fee on their registration. It is important to note that we would rather have the family complete a volunteer commitment than pay the opt-out fee.
- For all categories (U7 to U13), families are required to complete ONE ASSOCIATION and ONE TEAM COMMITMENT **per player**.

For more details, please refer to the <u>Volunteer Information package</u> located on the <u>Volunteers</u> page on the SWAT website.

SWAT Development Program

The SWAT Development philosophy is focused on Player and Coach skill development and is based on the Hockey Canada Long Term Player Development (LTPD) model. Our focus is player-based and does not emphasize the importance of wins and losses, but rather of developing player skill, sportsmanship and teamwork.

The SWAT development model/curriculum of hockey is applied throughout SWAT's entire organization, not just at the higher tiers. It follows Hockey Edmonton "Streams of Play" programming guidelines, within the "Alberta One" tiering model, to group players of like skill for maximum development and balanced competition.

Players in U9, U11, and U13 who evaluate and are placed on Tier 1 and 2 teams, will participate in SWAT's Competitive development program, which includes one extra practice and one skills session per week, to be done as a team. *This program has an added cost, over and above registration fees, that is collected after teams are formed.*

SWAT also secures several extra development opportunities for all players and goalies, which are available for those interested. Specific dates, providers, and registration details will be shared as the season gets under way. Registration for these programs opens in September after teams are formed. These camps are only available to players in Tiers 3-6.



What is the Timbits U7 Program?

The Timbits U7 program is broken into three age-based groups to introduce your little player to hockey:

Discovery – This program is offered to children born in 2021. This program is for brand new skaters and players, learning to skate with hockey equipment and incorporate hockey skills throughout the season. There will be a lead instructor and many other parent coaches on the ice for the one hour weekly program.

Jr. Timbits- This program is offered to children born in 2020. There will be a Lead Instructor on the ice for a one hour weekly practice, with several coaches assisting. The coaches will use Hockey Canada's Initiation Program Curriculum.

Sr. Timbits- The 2nd Timbits program is available to children born in 2019. The program consists of two 1-hour sessions per week (on Saturday and Sunday): 1 practice and 1 game. There will be a Lead Instructor on the Ice for practices, with several coaches assisting. They will use Hockey Canada's Initiation Program Curriculum. ***SWAT will consider accelerating 2020 born players to Sr Timbits if the evaluation results show that the child is proficient in the outlined Core Skills and is physically and mentally capable.** List of Core Skills by category can be found here: http://www.swat.ca/files/timbits_core_skills.docx

U11AA and U13 AA/AAA: Elite Hockey

For U11 and U13 players that are interested in playing in sanctioned U11AA and U13 AA/AAA programs, there are Elite Hockey Boundaries within Hockey Edmonton. Depending on your home address, SWAT players may be designated to the Canadian Athletic Club (CAC) or South Side Athletic Club (SSAC). Female players can try out for female-only elite teams with the Edmonton Female Hockey Alliance. Please review the <u>Hockey Edmonton Elite Hockey Boundary Map</u> to determine your Elite Club.

Information and registration for tryouts can be found on the respective websites:

- CAC: <u>http://www.cac-hockey.com/</u>
- SSAC: <u>https://ssac.hockey/</u>
- EFHA (female only): <u>https://femalehockeyalliance.ca</u>

New this season, if your child will be trying out at SSAC, CAC, or EFHA for an elite team, please also register with SWAT to ensure early bird pricing. Only players returning to SWAT who registered in advance of the early bird deadline will receive early bird pricing. This change is due to the increased number of players trying out at elite. The large volume of players involved has made our old system unmanageable. If your player is successfully rostered to an elite, sanctioned team in September, you will receive a full refund during the transfer process.

Goalie Equipment

GOALIES !!! We can outfit you with a chest protector, blocker, catcher, and pads !

You can even use these pads for summer camps, clinics, or extra development sessions. Contact our Equipment Team at <u>swathockey.equipment@gmail.com</u> to make arrangements to sign out equipment.



Female Teams

SWAT does not offer female only teams, as they can only be offered by the Edmonton Female Hockey Alliance. Female players in U9 and above have the option of playing Co-Ed hockey with SWAT, or registering with EFHA to play on an all-female team. SWAT Hockey will continue to offer co-ed programming at all levels, and welcomes all female players wanting to play co-ed hockey.

Learn more about the Edmonton Female Hockey Alliance here: https://www.hockeyedmonton.ca/content/edmonton-female-hockey-alliance-efha

Questions relating to all-girls hockey can be directed to the EFHA: registrar@femalehockeyalliance.ca

Suggestions? Feedback?

We welcome suggestions or feedback about our association at any time. Please email <u>swat.registrar@gmail.com</u> and your comments will be forwarded to the appropriate SWAT Hockey Executive member.

REGISTRATION CHECKLIST

RETURNING PLAYERS:

Online registration completed in full (Early Bird Pricing in place until July 15. Registration is not considered to be complete until all supporting documents have been RECEIVED and payment arrangements made.

Payment Method **see below for options*

Recertified RIS Parents Course (if certification has expired)

If you have moved in the last year, please complete the <u>Hockey Alberta Parent Declaration</u> form

Completed Volunteer Form with **undated** cheques payable to SWAT Hockey **If your family requested SWAT to*

hold the volunteer deposit cheques from year to year, there is no need to complete a new form*

NEW PLAYERS:

Online Registration completed in full

Proof of Age (Copy of Birth Certificate OR Passport) uploaded to Hockey Canada

Proof of Residency (drivers license or utility bill (power or water) showing parents' name and address) uploaded

to Hockey Canada

Completed RIS Parents Course (<u>https://hockeyalbertaparent.respectgroupinc.com/</u>)



Payment Method *see below for options

Completed Volunteer Form with **undated** cheques payable to SWAT Hockey

TRANSFERRING PLAYERS (Do not register online, please contact SWAT for registration requirements):

Proof of Residency (utility bill- power or water showing parents' name and address)

Parent Declaration form (Available from Registrar)

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Co-Operators Community Assistance Application: <u>http://swat.ca/page.php?page_id=121620</u> KidSport: <u>http://www.kidsportcanada.ca/alberta/edmonton/apply-for-assistance/</u> JumpStart: <u>https://jumpstart.canadiantire.ca/#wanttoapply</u> Lace 'Em Up: <u>http://laceemup.ca/</u>