

### Flamborough Hockey Association Rep/Select Try-out Policy 2016

The rules, regulations and policies of the Flamborough Hockey Association (herein known as “FHA”), the City of Hamilton, and OMHA Code of Conduct will govern the FHA Tryout process. **Note:** If a family is not current with the FHA or the team at any point in time, the player cannot participate in any on ice or off ice activities. Ongoing payment issues may result in player’s offers being revoked. The FHA definition of being current is twofold: first, the fees must be current and second, the player/parent must have agreed to the waiver regarding all FHA terms, conditions, rules & policies as specified in the tryout and/or general registration online registration process. If a player/parent does not agree to the waiver online, the player/parent must sign the waiver in Appendix A of this manual before being allowed to participate in FHA tryouts and / or programs.

The following try-outs will take place in the spring: Tyke MD, AA & AE Novice to Bantam, and Minor Midget AA & AE. Note that Midget AA and AE tryouts will occur in the fall.

Select try-outs will also take place in the spring, with additional tryouts held in September if needed.

#### FHA Fee summary:

Age Group	9-May	1-Jun	1-Jul	1-Aug	1-Sep	Total Player Fees
	Installment 1	Installment 2	Installment 3	Installment 4	Installment 5	
<b>Tyke</b>	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 312.50	\$ 312.50	\$ 312.50	\$ 312.50	\$ 2,250.00
<b>Novice</b>	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 312.50	\$ 312.50	\$ 312.50	\$ 312.50	\$ 2,250.00
<b>Minor Atom</b>	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 312.50	\$ 312.50	\$ 312.50	\$ 312.50	\$ 2,250.00
<b>Atom</b>	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 312.50	\$ 312.50	\$ 312.50	\$ 312.50	\$ 2,250.00
<b>Minor Peewee</b>	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 337.50	\$ 337.50	\$ 337.50	\$ 337.50	\$ 2,350.00
<b>Peewee</b>	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 337.50	\$ 337.50	\$ 337.50	\$ 337.50	\$ 2,350.00
<b>Minor Bantam</b>	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 362.50	\$ 362.50	\$ 362.50	\$ 362.50	\$ 2,450.00
<b>Bantam</b>	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 362.50	\$ 362.50	\$ 362.50	\$ 362.50	\$ 2,450.00
<b>Minor Midget</b>	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 362.50	\$ 362.50	\$ 362.50	\$ 362.50	\$ 2,450.00
<b>Midget</b>					Fall	TBD
<b>Select All Ages</b>	\$ 650.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 1,050.00
<b>Rep / Select Tryout Fees</b>						\$ 100.00

IP House League Fees						\$ 380.00
Tyke House League Fees						\$ 525.00
Novice House League Fees						\$ 525.00
Atom House League Fees						\$ 550.00
Peewee House League Fees						\$ 550.00
Bantam House League Fees						\$ 550.00
Midget House League Fees						\$ 550.00
JR Sabres Fees						\$ 300.00
* Goalie Fee Reduction of \$50						
\$50 Late Fee for all houseleague registrations after July 31st						
\$100 per player rebate for 3rd, 4th, 5th etc. registrant per household (no tryout rebates)						

**Check in Process:**

**Please do not arrive more than 35 minutes prior to your scheduled tryout time.**

**Step 1 – Pick up TIN #**

Upon arrival at the rink prior to the player’s first tryout, player & parent should go to the designated area to pick up the player’s TRY-OUT IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (also known as TIN #) . This area will be under the TV monitors in lower lobby. The TIN # is a coded number to identify each player without identifying their name. After the tryout, and before the next tryout, the players who are selected to advance to the next tryout will be posted on the FHA website [www.flamboroughhockey.com](http://www.flamboroughhockey.com) and identified by the age group and their TIN #. TIN #'s will be randomly assigned to each player. Please keep your TIN # card private and in your possession. The TIN # system will be in effect until the last rep / select tryout. **Please note that the player’s TIN # will remain the same for AA, AE & Select tryouts as applicable. New numbers will not be assigned after AA or AE tryouts.**

**Step 2 – Pick up Tryout Jersey**

Players proceed to the jersey table upstairs to pick up their tryout jersey.

**General Rules:**

Each individual player at all levels is required to attend a minimum of 2 try-out sessions in order to be considered for a position for all levels of Representative hockey within Flamborough Hockey Association. Exceptions will be if a player is released after one AA tryout and then proceeds to AE Tryouts. NOTE: Flamborough resident players who played AAA during the 2015-2016 season must attend a minimum of 1 tryout session. Exceptions to attendance at tryouts for AAA players must be approved by the FHA Rep Director. A request must be made to the Rep Director at [repdirector@flamboroughhockey.com](mailto:repdirector@flamboroughhockey.com) prior to April, 22, 2016. **Any player commencing**

**the tryout process after the first scheduled tryout for that player must receive permission from the Rep Director. Players may not randomly start the tryout process after the first tryout has taken place. Players absent from tryouts must inform the Rep Director.**

If a player is offered a position with a AA team and refuses that position, the player is released directly to House league and is not eligible to try-out for the AE team at his age level. If a player is offered a position with an AE team and refuses that position, the player is released to House league and is not eligible for Select hockey.

In age groups where there are a large number of skaters and/or goalies, the FHA reserves the right to have the current season AA players start the tryout process after the first tryout.

**Players starting the try-out process at AA will be guaranteed one skate at AA and if & when released to AE will then be guaranteed two skates at AE try-outs. Players starting the tryout process at AE will be given a minimum of two skates. Players who played AA must start the process at AA. Players who played AE must start at AA tryouts and players who played Select must start at AE tryouts or AA tryouts if they desire. Players starting at Select will be guaranteed 2 skates.**

ALL releases or offer to join the team, will be made via the FHA website at [www.flamboroughhockey.com](http://www.flamboroughhockey.com). Player's names will not be used on the website but their Try-out Identification Number will be used instead. NOTE: The try-out identification number is not the same as the tryout jersey number. A mandatory, and **non-refundable**, try-out fee is to be paid in full to the Flamborough Hockey Association prior to the beginning of the first try-out. Player residency and eligibility rules will apply as set forth by the OMHA guidelines, policies, and rules.

All players must wear proper CSA approved equipment including mouth guard and neck guard, failure to do so will result in the player being removed from the try-outs until proper equipment is worn.

Any player missing AA or AE try-outs due to medical/injury reasons must notify the Rep Director in writing before the start of the first tryout and that player will be looked at on an individual basis. Select Players should notify the appropriate House League Director. A doctor's note shall be provided to the Rep Director, or in the case of Select, a doctor's note will be submitted to the appropriate House League Director.

Any player wishing to tryout at a higher age level must have permission from the FHA Rep Director. Applications for upward movement must be made in writing. Any Rep player who played in the Rep system during the 2015-2016 hockey season and is wishing to play at the AE level must attend the AA try-outs until he/she is released. Following their release, the player will then be eligible to attend the AE try-outs for their division. Players that played AA level for Flamborough in the 2015-2016 season that do not attend the AA tryouts will NOT be eligible to attend AE try-outs.

Any player wishing to AP for any Rep level team such as AA and AE must attend tryouts based on level played in the 2015-16 season.

Any player born in 2008 and participated in the Jr. Sabres Program must commence tryouts at the Novice AA level and must play on the AA team if selected. If a player is released from the AA program, the player may then proceed to AE try-outs.

The FHA reserves the right to combine the Minor and Major age group to form one AE team or continue with only a minor or major AE team. This will be announced during tryouts. Every division must first enter a Major AA Team as per OMHA rules.

If deemed appropriate to improve the level of competition, the FHA and/or the coaching staff of teams, the OMHA, and/or Tri-County may move teams to A or AE2 for the regular season, the playoffs, or both.

Players may be evaluated by Evaluator(s) along with the Head Coach of the team he/she is trying out for. Evaluators and coaches will follow guidelines set forth by the FHA. An Evaluator can be a current or previous coach of the FHA (or another hockey association), an FHA member, outside coaches, FHA Board members, former or current professional and amateur players or coaches, or instructors. The Evaluator(s) will work with the selected Head Coach and FHA Board Members in order to select the players suitable for that specific age group and level. At no time during the try-outs/evaluations, will the Evaluator(s) or the Head Coach sit with and discuss evaluations with any parent. Each team is required to carry the number of players set forth by the FHA as described in the Rep or House League Manual that is on the website at the time of tryouts. The Rep Director or House League Directors along with the FHA Committee has the right to alter the number of players a particular team can carry depending on various circumstances. Under no circumstances will teams be required to carry the maximum number of skaters if the FHA, with input from the Evaluator(s), determine that there are players who are not at the appropriate level of play.

Players moving into Flamborough after try-outs will be given an opportunity to tryout at a later date providing there is a spot available on the team they are trying out for. For players moving into Flamborough, documentation of residential transfer must be completed and approved through Hockey Canada before participating in fall tryouts.

Any parent or player who enters the independent evaluator room or the FHA Board Meeting Room without invitation, or attempts to contact independent evaluators or attempts to solicit or accept a deal to ensure their player is on the team, may be deemed as to be interfering with the try-out process and the player may be removed from the try-out process and will be subject to further discipline. Any player/parent contacting the Head Coach prior to, or during the try-out process, in attempt to confirm acceptance onto the team may be deemed to be interfering with the tryout and may be removed from the team.

**Note: Once the Offer of Commitment for is signed, the FHA will not offer any release to any players unless the player is moving or as deemed by the OMHA.**

If a player/parent wishes to discuss their individual evaluation the request to do so must come after 24 hours of their final try-out. The request for a meeting must be submitted to the FHA Vice President, at [vicepresident@flamboroughhockey.com](mailto:vicepresident@flamboroughhockey.com) via email only. The email must clearly state the reasons why a review is requested. No requests for evaluation discussion will be accepted after May 7th, 2016.

Once the request has been received, the Vice President will confirm receipt of the request via email. The request will be reviewed by the Rep Committee to determine if a meeting is required. The FHA has until May 15, 2016 to determine if a meeting is warranted. If a meeting is granted by the Rep Committee, the FHA has until June 30, 2016 to meet with parent and/or player. The FHA Rep Committee will determine if the player should attend the meeting.

**Under no circumstances should a parent/player contact the Head Coach to discuss the player's release and/or evaluation. All written evaluations are property of the FHA and are considered confidential.**

The FHA and the Head Coach will work together to determine AP players for each Rep team. No meetings will be set up with parents & players to discuss why a player was not selected to AP.

**The Flamborough Hockey Association reserves the right to alter try-out rules as deemed necessary. The FHA reserves the right to make changes based on typographical errors.**

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