2017-18 Season | LMHA Rep Evaluation Process Overview

Below is a brief overview of the newly revised Rep Evaluation Process (formerly Rep Tryouts) for the 2017-18 Hockey Season. The detailed process will be presented at the Annual General Meeting on May 30th, 2017 and posted to the LMHA website following the AGM. LMHA will host an information session in July and we invite parents to come and ask any questions that they may have regarding the new process. A second parent information session will be scheduled in August, open to all families that have a player(s) registered in the Rep Evaluation Process.

Registration

- At the time of registration for the upcoming season, those players wanting to enter the Rep Evaluation Process will select that option, as in previous years.
- Players in both Peewee and Bantam will have the option of declaring, at the time of registration, if they wish to tryout for the A1 team or the A2-A4 teams. It is important to note that by making an A1 declaration, you are not guaranteed a spot on that team.
- Atom and Midget will not have declarations.
- The Rep Evaluation Fee for Goalies will remain the same at $150.
- The Rep Evaluation Fee for Players is increasing to $195.

Phase 1 - The Initial Evaluation

- This phase will include professional combine testing, independent evaluators and ratified A1 coaches.
- Goalie evaluations will commence August 24, 2017.
- All skaters will start the process with Combine Testing (replacing the skills sessions) on August 25, followed by three scrimmages. These will run August 26 - 28 for Atom, Peewee and Bantam and August 29 - 31 for Midget. Each player is guaranteed one ice time per day consecutively, followed by a day of rest.
- After the initial evaluation, players will be placed into either Group A (comprised of approximately 40 skaters and 6 goalies), Group B (comprised of approximately 30 skaters and 4 goalies) or released to House.

Phase 2 – Group Skates 1
• Ratified coaches will have primary responsibility of the Groups in this phase.
• Phase 2 will consist of a total of three ice times per Group.
• Skaters and goalies will skate in their assigned Groups during this Phase. There is the potential for players to move between Groups A and B in their division at any time during this phase, at the coaches’ discretion.
• All ice times will be within LMHA and comprised of practices and/or inter-association games amongst the Groups. Out-of-association games will not be permitted.
• All players will have the September long weekend off.

**Phase 3 – Group Skates 2**

• Ratified coaches will continue to have primary responsibility of the Groups in this phase.
• Phase 3 will consist of a total of three more ice times per Group.
• Skaters and goalies will continue to have the potential for movement amongst the Groups during this phase, at the coaches’ discretion.
• All ice times will be within LMHA and comprised of practices and/or inter-association games.
• Following the completion of Phase 3, players will be released to C hockey to bring the total evaluation numbers to a minimum of 60 skaters and 8 goalies, based on four Rep teams in a division. Should there be less than four Rep teams in a division, the minimum numbers of players will be reduced accordingly.
• The remaining players in the Evaluation process will be placed in A1, A2, A3 and A4 Pools.

**Phase 4 – Pool Skates & Final Rosters**

• During this Phase, the A1 thru A4 Pools will participate in Exhibition Games outside of the LMHA, September 9 – 17, for a maximum of 6 ice times, including practices.
• The potential for movement between the A1 - A4 Pools may still occur during this final Phase, at the discretion of the coaches’.
• Final placements will be made on or before September 17 and all teams will be finalized and signed off on by LMHA by this date.

* At any time during the Evaluation process, LMHA reserves the right to reduce the number of Rep teams in any Division should the number of registered players be too small and/or the caliber of players available is not deemed to be strong enough to support all proposed teams. LMHA also reserves the right to increase the number of players in the Groups and/or Pools based on player rankings.*

**Midget Evaluations**

LMHA is going to attempt to have a Midget A3 team this season, provided that the number of players registered for Rep Evaluations support a team at this level. At anytime during the Evaluation process, should the number of players decline due to players withdrawing from the process, LMHA has the right to reduce the number of Midget Rep teams.

* Midget phases will be dependant on number of teams, and may or may not follow same format.*