

WOMEN'S HOCKEY CLUB OF TORONTO 2023-2024

RECREATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE *PRE-SEASON LETTER*

COVID-19 Protocols

1. All players must be fully vaccinated (this is currently defined as 3 shots).
2. If you are feeling unwell, please stay home, but let your Team Rep know that you cannot make the game.
3. Hand sanitizer will be available and used when entering and leaving the arena.
4. Fist bumps at the end of the game will be done with gloves on.

Rule Reminders

1. The play will be blown dead with any contact to the goalie's head by puck or stick.
2. Contact with the goalie when the goalie has the puck covered will result in a minor penalty.
3. No slap shots are allowed. Full equipment, including full face shields and neck guards, must be worn.
4. **Any Major penalty (5 minutes plus ejection from the game) will result in an automatic minimum 1 game suspension, as per Hockey Canada Rules and Guidelines.**

General Reminders

1. This is a recreational hockey league.
2. You must be able to fully stop for the safety of yourself and other players on the ice.
3. There will be no byes.
4. We will be enforcing the rule that a maximum of 4 people may sign up together. **Please check with the people you are signing up with before putting their names on your form.** If you have any questions regarding this, please send an e-mail to whctcollective@hotmail.com.
5. Team lists and information will be sent via email so please ensure yours is legible on your Registration.
6. Give the WHCT Rep on your team advance notice if you are not able to make a game for any reason.

If there are players that you do not wish to be on a team with, please list the names on the back of your registration form. Changes will not be made after the teams have been created.

What is the Women's Hockey Club of Toronto?

The Women's Hockey Club of Toronto (WHCT) is a recreational, non-slap shot, ice hockey league for women age 18 and over who are lesbian, bisexual, queer, trans, non-binary, two-spirited and/or allied. All players are welcome regardless of skill level -- beginners just learning to play hockey, mid-range players and experienced players. Each team has a mix of players from all skill levels and ages, with every attempt made to balance the teams.

When & Where We Play

The season will run from **September 2023 to the end of April 2024**. Each team will play regular season games and a guaranteed 3 games in the playoffs. Games are played on Saturday night with the first game starting at 5 pm and the last game starting at 10 pm. Each game is 50 minutes in length. All games are played at **Moss Park Arena**, located at the corner of Queen St. East and Sherbourne St. in downtown Toronto.

Sweaters

To keep our costs low, team sweaters are re-used and must be returned at the end of each season.

IF YOUR SWEATER HAS NOT BEEN RETURNED FROM THE PREVIOUS SEASON, YOU WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE TO PLAY UNTIL IT IS RETURNED OR \$50 REIMBURSED TO THE LEAGUE.

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What is the Cost to Play?

- **FREE** for goalies. Please submit Registration Form and Release Form as soon as possible
 - **\$450** - if payment, Registration Form and Release Form are all received by July 1, 2023.
 - **\$475** - if payment, Registration Form and Release Form are all received after July 1, 2023.
- Please try to get your registration in by August 15, 2023 at the latest so that we can put the teams together.

Refund Policy

If you withdraw before the teams are put together (before September 1, 2023), an administration fee of \$50 will be charged. If you withdraw between September 1 and December 31, 2023, and we are able to find a replacement from the waiting list, a partial refund will be given. No refunds will be given if leaving after the end of 2023.

How Do I Register and make Payment?

- Etransfer funds, and scan and e-mail completed Registration Form and Release Form to:
whctcollective@hotmail.com **OR**
- Mail cheque and completed Registration Form and Release Form to:
WHCT, c/o Brenda Murphy, 11 Nealon Ave. Toronto ON M4K 1Y8

Note that Installment payments may be arranged by e-mailing whctcollective@hotmail.com

Payment MUST accompany registration. The Registration Form must be completed and the Release Form (including the Covid-19 Vaccination portion and General Release and Code of Conduct portion), must both be signed for you to be accepted into the league.

Registration is on a first come first serve basis and a waitlist will be created once all spots have been paid for.

Opening Night Meeting

Schedules and team lists will be available at the opening meeting on a date and location to be determined. Check the website and/or Facebook page for more details.

Questions:

Please forward all questions to: whctcollective@hotmail.com