



EGMHA

Return to Hockey

Parents Town Hall

September 3, 2020

Agenda



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Introductions & Overview



- EGMHA President
 - **Rick McGlone**
- EGMHA Vice President
 - **Ed Vetere**
- YSMHL President & EGMHA Past President
 - **Eric Kopsala** (Facilitator)
- Please use the Q&A box for questions. We will take questions at the end of the presentation and do our best to address as many as we can in the time we have.
- Presentation will be recorded and available on our website

Safety Protocols

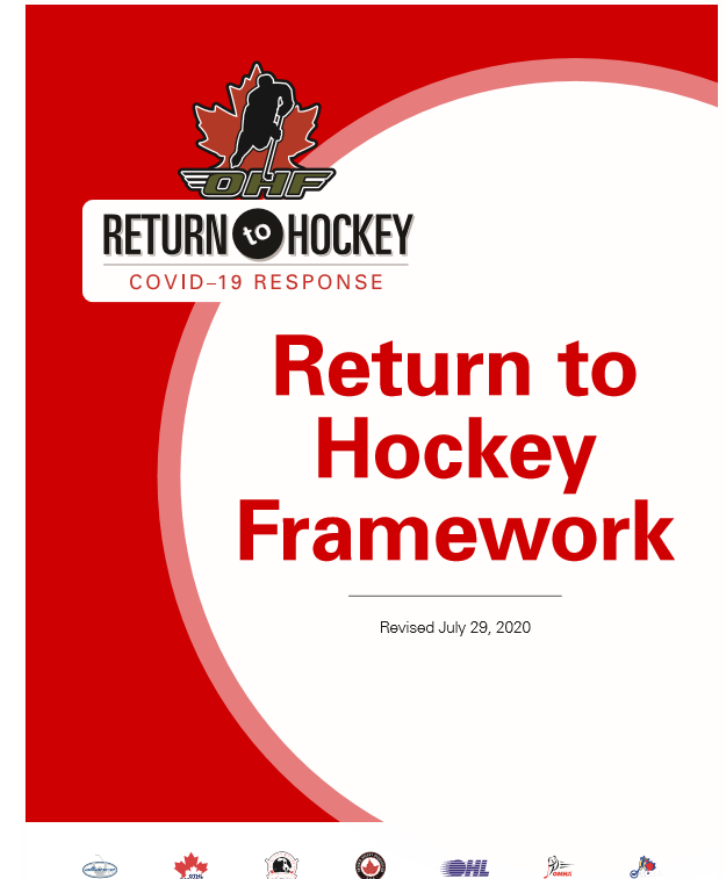


- Working with the Town on Safety Protocols
 - [Town of East Gwillimbury Safety video](#)
- To start only **50 people** (25/ice pad) allowed in complex
 - No spectators will be allowed in, will be re-assessed as time progresses according to Ontario Government protocols
- No dressing rooms to start the season, come dressed (except for skates/helmet), with filled labelled water bottle, mask and a resealable bag to put their mask when on ice
- Must wear mask at all times (except when on ice)
- Allowed access **10 min** prior to ice time, **no late arrivals**
- Must complete a health check prior to arriving (on-line)
- All safety protocols in the **EGMHA Return to Hockey** document that will be on website and shared with all parents

Highlights – OHF Return to Play



- **Multi-stage** approach to return to hockey safely
- At this time no tryouts, travel, tournaments, championships
- Stages are expected to progress in 4 week cycles
- Currently Stage 3B
 - EGMHA Return to Play Plan has been OMHA approved to proceed





PHASE 2

RESTART, PROTECT AND SUPPORT

Staged approach doesn't have specific time frame and will evolve

May need to pause or return to previous stage to protect participants

Stage 1 • Individual In-Person Training and Group Virtual Training

Stage 2 • Group Development Programming

► Stage 3 • Modified Programming

Stage 4 • Traditional Hockey

STAGE 3A – RETURN TO ICE CONTINUED

- Strict On-ice Physical Distancing
- Off-ice Training & Activity
- Limited or Normal Use of Bench
- Travel: Limited Public Health Unit

STAGE 3B – RETURN TO PRACTICE AND PLAY AND REGISTRATION

- Maximum of 25
- Strict On-Ice Physical Distancing and Limited or Normal Use of Bench
- Allocation of Player Groups and Group Training Prep Phase
- Travel: Limited Public Health Unit

STAGE 3C – RETURN TO PRACTICE AND PLAY

- Maximum of 40
- Group Training / Practices with Physical Distancing
- Game Play 3 v 3 or 4 v 4, with No Physical Contact
- Travel: Limited Public Health Unit

STAGE 3D – RETURN TO PRACTICE AND PLAY

- Maximum of 40
- Group Training / Practices with Physical Distancing
- Game Play 3 v 3, 4 v 4, 5 v 5, with No Physical Contact
- Travel: Limited Adjacent Public Health Units

STAGE 3E – RETURN TO PRACTICE AND PLAY

- Maximum of 40
- Group Training / Practices with Physical Distancing
- Game Play 3 v 3, 4 v 4, 5 v 5, with No Physical Contact
- Travel: Expanded Local Health Integrated Network



Progression is decided by the OHF according to Ontario Government guidelines



The OMHA will be working with the Ontario Hockey Federation and Hockey Canada as well as following provincial health guidelines for a safe return to hockey.

*Source: OHF Return to Hockey Framework

Highlights – OHF Return to Play



- Physical distancing is required on ice
- No prolonged or deliberate contact
- Player bubbles with no more than 50 players
- Players can only belong to one player bubble, no APs
- No affiliation or integration allowed between leagues
- Tiered structure based on category of participation last year
- Players can play with the association they belonged to in 2019/20 or can return to play in their home centre
- No new player movement for 2020/21 season

EGMHA 2020/21 Season Structure



- All teams internal within EGMHA to start
- Focus is on a **fun** and **safe** gradual return to play
- Divisions will consist of the following combined age groups
 - **U7** = U5 & U7
 - **U9** = U8 & U9
 - **U11** = U10 & U11
 - **U13** = U12 & U13
 - **U15** = U14 & U15
 - **U18** = U16, U17 & U18
- **U11 & below** structure will follow [Hockey Canada/OHF Player Pathways](#)
- **U9 & above** starts Sept 21st to mid-March
- **U7** tentative start Oct 19th to mid-March (must be able to skate)

EGMHA 2020/21 Season Structure



- Each bubble will have **4** teams*
 - Teams = 9 players + 1 goalie
- Two Tiers of bubbles in **U8 & older divisions**
 - **Tier A** = 2019/20 A/AA/AAA players
 - **Tier B** = 2019/20 HL/LL players (including Select)
- May need to move some players to fill Tier A
- Player movement between tiers and formation of teams to be determined by Return to Play committee
- Teams to be decided between Sept 10th and 17th, will be mix of major and minor aged players, coach will notify prior to first ice time
- **No tier, player or coach requests will be considered**

EGMHA 2020/21 Season Structure



- Fees based on 1 practice and 1 game per week
 - **U11 & below** may vary due to Player Pathways
 - **U18** after development weeks will play 2 games, no practices
- Practices – 50 minutes on ice
 - Tier A bubbles will practice with specific age group instead of team
 - Tier B bubbles will practice with teams
- Games – 50 minutes on ice
 - 5 minute warm up, 2 x 22 minute runtime periods
 - 4 vs 4 format (sometimes may need to be 3 vs 3)
 - Rules on [EGMHA website](#)
- As ice becomes available, intent is to offer extra optional skills development clinics throughout the season for **U9 & above** divisions, will be 'pay as you go' format
 - Registration now open for clinics week of Sept 14th



Coaches and Trainers

- Each team must have a Head Coach & Trainer
 - Only Head Coach and Trainer are required to be rostered initially
 - Additional bench staff may be rostered to help with practices
 - At games only 1 coach and a shared trainer to allow for social distancing
- **Safe Return to Hockey** on-line course must be completed
- Modified qualification requirements for season
- Coach clinics are now available on the **OMHA website**

Division	Category	Head Coach	Asst Coach	Trainer
U7 – U9	ALL	Coach 1- Intro to Coach	Coach 1- Intro to Coach	HTCP Level 1
U10 – U18	ALL	Coach 2-Coach Level Trained	Coach 2-Coach Level Trained	HTCP Level 1

EGMHA Registration



- Registration is now closed with wait lists
 - If your player has decided to **not play**, please notify Cathy Kopsala at registrar@egmha.com as soon as possible
- Unsanctioned leagues
 - *The OMHA has been provided direction from the OHF, **that this business is offering programming that the OHF/OMHA are providing** and therefore, according to the **OHF Unsanctioned League Policy**, after September 30th, the player would have to choose between programs. If the player opts to continue to participate in the unsanctioned league then the player would need to appeal if they wish to come back to OHF programming after October 1.*
 - If we progress to Stage 4 this season, players not already registered with EGMHA will be not permitted to attend any tryouts or participate in local league

EGMHA Fees & Payment



- 2020-21 Fees
 - **U7 Division:** \$575.00
 - **U8 to U15 Divisions:** \$700.00
 - **U18 Division:** \$800.00
- Will continue \$50 discount for 3rd player in family
- In order to keep costs as low as possible, we have removed team pictures, house league gifts and development clinics from the budget
- See EGMA website if families need **financial assistance**
- If we progress to Stage 4 then additional fees would need to be charged for Rep and Local League

EGMHA Fees & Payment



- Payment must be made before first ice time
- Payment Schedules:
 - **E-transfer** full fee to treasurer@egmha.com
 - Credit Card in full or via installments via phone to Cathy Kopsala at (905) 478-8846
 - **Post dated cheques** must be received before first ice time by Cathy Kopsala via mail or in person at first ice time
 - EGMHA - 1914B Mount Albert Rd, Sharon, ON, L0G 1V0

U7 & below	U9 to U15	U18
\$300 before Oct 19 th	\$300 before Sept 21 st	\$300 before Sept 21 st
\$275 on Nov 30 th	\$200 on Oct 30 th	\$250 due Oct 30 th
n/a	\$200 on Nov 30 th	\$250 due Nov 30 th

- Any concerns with payment schedule should be directed to Cathy Kopsala at registrar@egmha.com



QUESTIONS

*Please continue to check
EGMHA website for updated **FAQs***