

July 2023

South Muskoka Minor Hockey Association

Monthly Newsletter



HAVE YOU REGISTERED YET?

South Muskoka Minor Hockey Association posted registration for the upcoming 2023/24 season on June 5, 2023. Early Bird registration will be in place until Saturday, July 15th– so mark your calendars if you haven't done so already! Why is early registration so important to the association? There are many reasons why early registration plays a key role in our season's success; the number of players in each division is very important to booking of ice times, team composition, and recruitment of bench staff. The earlier our volunteer run association can get this information and make plans for the season, the better the season is. We also recognize that right now, times are tough for many. Hockey might be low on the priority list for families. This is why SMMHA offers convenient payment plans for season fees and also utilizes the resources of funding assistance programs through Muskoka Children's Foundation, Jump Start, and/or KidSport to help offset some of the costs for hockey. If you or someone you know needs more information on this we recommend reaching out to these organizations directly.

Register before July 15th to be entered to win a Bears Swag pack, every registration counts as an entry to WIN!

To register, visit SMMHA's website and click on the Info & Registration tab.

Need to give us some Feedback?



Referee Positions Available with South Muskoka Minor Hockey!

Referees are vital to minor hockey. If you are looking for a paid position that gives back to your community please contact us.

Eligibility requirements:

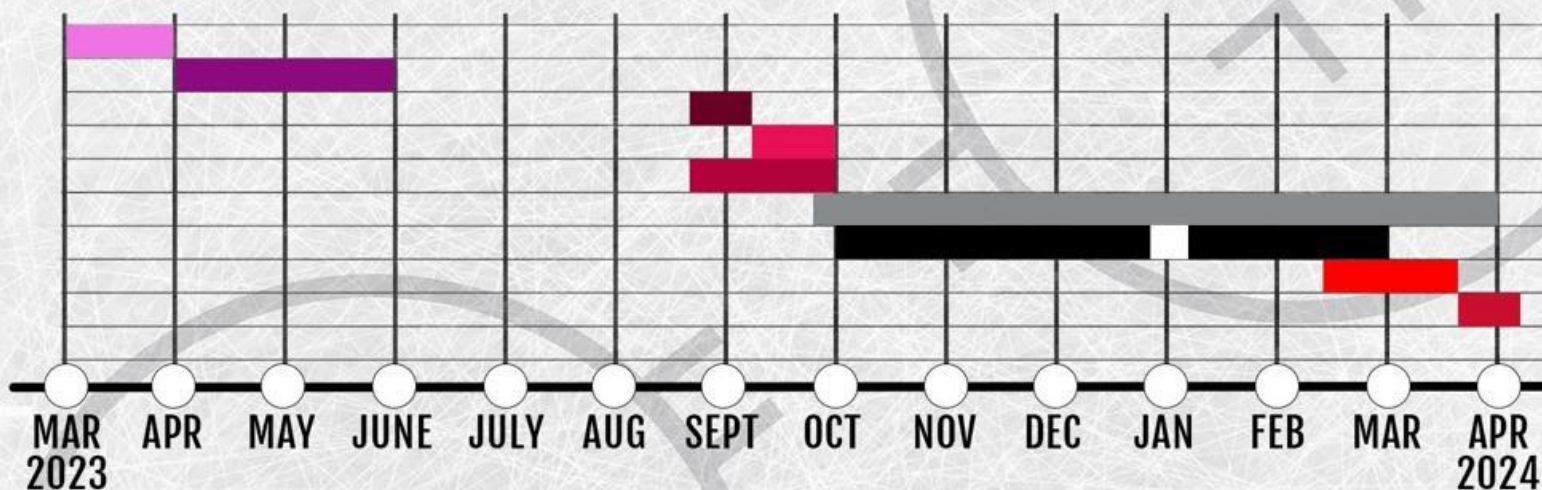
- Have to be 14 years old to register
- Complete 2 prerequisite online courses. HU-Officiating 1/2 and Respect in Sports
- If 18 years old or older, a Vulnerable Sector Check (VSC) is required
- Register and pay online and attend an entry level clinic
- Those new to refereeing should visit the OMHA's website for FAQs: <https://www.omha.net/referee>



Please email all inquiries or questions to refinchief@southmuskokaminorhockey.com

SEASON OVERVIEW 2023-24: U10-U18

- SPRING PREP PHASE
- SPRING EVAL. & DEVELOPMENT
- FALL PREP PHASE
- FALL EVALUATION PHASE
- DEVELOPMENT PHASE
- TOURNAMENTS
- REGULAR SEASON
- SEASONAL BREAK
- LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIPS
- OMHA CHAMPIONSHIPS



- Sanctioned tournaments are permitted to start on September 22, 2023.
- No regular season games during the Holiday Break in December.
- All teams must be engaged in meaningful hockey until March 1, 2024.
- Overview does not include U9 and Below or U18 AAA.



U9 and BELOW

Prep Phase	May begin Aug. 28 through Sep. 10. All players have access to a minimum of four (4) sessions prior to formal play
Evaluation Phase	All Players must have at least three (3) evaluation sessions prior to tiering of Players. No Evaluations the first week of
Development Phase	Must be a minimum of 14 days regardless of start date.

Looking for
Bears Swag?

Check out our authorized apparel sources:

Bracebridge Source for Sports & Edges of Muskoka