



Tiered/Community Registration Guide

2026–2027 Season

Your step-by-step guide to registering for EFHA Tiered/Community programs

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Welcome, EFHA Families!

Welcome to the Edmonton Female Hockey Alliance! Whether your family is new to hockey or returning for another exciting season, we are thrilled to have you as part of our community. EFHA is committed to providing a positive, development-focused hockey experience for female players at every level.

EFHA offers a range of programming to meet the needs of every player:

- **Elite Program** — U13AA, U15AA, and U18AA (highest competitive level)
- **High Performance Program** — advanced development pathway for competitive players
- **Tiered / Community Program** — open to all skill levels, U7 through U18

Registration opens June 1 each year. Early Bird pricing is available from **June 1 through July 8** — so registering early saves your family money!

This guide walks you through every step of the registration process for Tiered/ Community programs so you can feel confident and prepared. If you have any questions along the way, our registrar team is always here to help.

Program Overview

Program	Description
Tiered / Community (U7–U18)	Open to all skill levels. Players participate in evaluation skates and are placed into tiers based on ability. The emphasis is on player development, teamwork, and fun. This is the ideal program for players who are new to hockey or who enjoy a balanced competitive environment.
High Performance	An advanced development pathway designed for competitive players looking to bridge the gap between Tiered and Elite levels. This program features enhanced training, more ice time, and a greater competitive focus to help players reach their full potential.
Elite (U13AA, U15AA, U18AA)	The highest competitive level offered by EFHA. Players must participate in a separate tryout process. Elite teams compete at the provincial and national levels.

Note

This guide focuses on **Tiered/ Community registration**. Elite (AA) tryout registration follows a separate process. Please visit femalehockeyalliance.ca for Elite tryout details.

Important Links

Keep these links handy as you work through the registration process. You may need one or more of the forms below depending on your family's situation.

- **EFHA Subsidy Confirmation Form** - [EFHA Subsidy Confirmation Document – Fill out form](#)
- **EFHA Refund Request Form** - [EFHA Refund Request 2026-27 – Fill out form](#)

- **Intent to Register with EFHA** - [Intent to Register with EFHA 2026 – Fill out form](#)
- **Parent Declaration Form** - [Parent Declaration Form](#)
- **Player Movement Form** - [PlayerMovementProcessFormFillable.pdf](#)
- **Spordle Login (HCR)**- [Login | Spordle Account](#)
- **The Shift Forward Course (Hockey Alberta)**- [HOCKEY ALBERTA](#)

Before You Register — Checklist

Before you begin the online registration process, make sure you have the following items ready. Completing these steps in advance will make registration quick and easy.

Registration Readiness Checklist

- Complete: The Shift Forward — Parent/Guardian Course- (mandatory for at least one parent/guardian)- If RIS is still valid this step does not have to be completed at this time.
- Obtain your child's Hockey Canada Registry (HCR) number
- Have a copy of your child's birth certificate or passport ready to upload
- New players or transfers: Complete the Intent to Register with EFHA form
- Transfers from outside Edmonton: Complete the Player Movement Form
- Prepare two pieces of proof of residency (utility bill, driver's license, mortgage or rental agreement)

The Shift Forward — Parent/Guardian Education

! IMPORTANT — NEW: The Shift Forward Replaces Respect in Sport

Effective **April 1, 2026**, Hockey Canada launched "**The Shift Forward: Evolving Hockey Culture**" — a modernized, hockey-specific education and training program that replaces the previous Respect in Sport program.

The Shift Forward — Parent/Guardian Course is MANDATORY for at least one parent or guardian of each registered player. Families who have not completed this course will be unable to register online.

Course Details

- **Format:** Online, self-paced
- **Duration:** Approximately one hour
- **Cost:** \$11.50 plus tax
- **Topics covered:**
 - Being a positive sport parent
 - Interacting constructively with coaches, officials, and other parents
 - Concussion awareness

Important Step

When registering for The Shift Forward course, be sure to select "**Edmonton Female Hockey Alliance**" as your home association. This ensures your child's Hockey Canada Registry (HCR) number is properly linked.

Transition Period

Existing Respect in Sport certifications will continue to be recognized during a multi-year transition period. However, **all participants will be required to complete The Shift Forward by the 2028–29 season**. We encourage families to complete the new course as early as possible.

What Completing the Course Does

- Generates or links to your child's **Hockey Canada Registry (HCR) number**
- Fulfills the mandatory parent education requirement for registration
- Supports a safe, respectful, and positive hockey culture for your child

[REGISTER FOR THE SHIFT FORWARD COURSE HERE](#)

Hockey Canada Registry (HCR) Number

Every player registered in Hockey Canada receives a unique **Hockey Canada Registry (HCR) number** — an 8- to 14-digit identifier that stays with the player throughout their entire hockey career. You will need this number to complete online registration.

For NEW Players (Never Registered in Hockey)

1. Complete **The Shift Forward — Parent/Guardian Course** first.
2. During the course, select "**Edmonton Female Hockey Alliance**" as your home association.
3. Upon completion, a **Hockey Canada Registry (HCR) number** will be automatically generated for your child.
4. Save this number — you will need it during online registration.

For RETURNING Players (Previously Registered)

Your child's HCR number can be found in your Spordle account (Hockey Canada Registry portal). Follow these steps:

1. Log in to your Spordle account at **spordle.com**.
2. Click the **profile icon** in the top right corner.
3. On the left side of the page, select "**Members**".
4. Select your participant from the icons labelled with player initials.
5. Click "**View Profile**".
6. The **Hockey Canada ID number** is located directly below the player's name (8–14 digits).

Need Help?

If you cannot locate your child's HCR number, contact the EFHA Registrar at registrar@femalehockeyalliance.ca and we will be happy to assist you.

Registration Steps — Returning EFHA Players

If your child played with EFHA last season, follow the steps below based on where your family resides.

If You Reside IN Edmonton

1. Ensure **The Shift Forward — Parent/Guardian Course** is current.
2. Have your child's **HCR number** ready.
3. Use the **online registration link** that opens **June 1** (available on femalehockeyalliance.ca).
4. Upload a copy of your child's **birth certificate or passport**.
5. Pay registration fees (**Early Bird pricing available June 1–July 8**).

If You Reside OUTSIDE Edmonton

1. Complete the **Intent to Register with EFHA** form.
 2. Complete the **Parent Declaration Form** with two pieces of proof of residency.
 3. Submit documents to registrar@femalehockeyalliance.ca and wait for EFHA Registrar confirmation (**2–5 business days** for transfer processing).
 4. Once confirmed, complete **online registration**.
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Registration Steps — New to Hockey

If your child has never been registered in hockey before, welcome! Follow these steps to get started:

1. Create a Spordle account (if you don't already have one)
2. Complete **The Shift Forward — Parent/Guardian Course** online. Be sure to select "**Edmonton Female Hockey Alliance**" as your home association.
3. Receive your child's **HCR number** upon course completion.
4. Fill out the **Intent to Register with EFHA** form.
5. Complete the **Parent Declaration Form** with two pieces of proof of residency.
6. Submit all documents to registrar@femalehockeyalliance.ca.
7. You may go in and register if
8. Upload your child's **birth certificate or passport** during the registration process.

Tip for New Families

Don't worry if this feels like a lot of steps! The process is straightforward, and our registrar team is available to walk you through every step. Reach out to registrar@femalehockeyalliance.ca any time.

Registration Steps — Transferring to EFHA

If your child is currently registered with another hockey organization and wishes to play with EFHA, the transfer process depends on where your family is transferring from.

Transferring from Another Edmonton Organization

1. Fill out the **Intent to Register with EFHA** form.
2. Complete the **Parent Declaration Form** with proof of residency.
3. Your child's **HCR file will be transferred** from your current organization to EFHA (**2–5 business days**).
4. Once the transfer is complete, complete **online registration**.

Transferring from an Organization OUTSIDE Edmonton

1. Fill out the **Intent to Register with EFHA** form.
2. Complete the **Player Movement Form** — this must be fully filled out **AND signed by your current (home) organization first**.
3. Submit all forms to registrar@femalehockeyalliance.ca.
4. Transfer processing takes **2–5 business days**. Note: Transfer requests cannot begin until **June 1**, as set by Hockey Alberta.
5. Once confirmed, complete **online registration**.

Recently Moved to Edmonton

If your family has recently relocated to Edmonton, the process is simplified:

1. Fill out the **Intent to Register with EFHA** form.
2. Complete the **Parent Declaration Form** with proof of residency (only this form is needed — no Player Movement Form required).
3. Submit to registrar@femalehockeyalliance.ca.
4. Once processed, complete **online registration**.

 **Note**

All transfer requests are processed in the order they are received. Please allow 2–5 business days for the EFHA Registrar to confirm your child's transfer. You will receive an email once your child is cleared to register online. You may also just try to register and if you are able the transfer process is complete.

Evaluations & Team Placement

EFHA is committed to placing every player on a team where they can grow, be challenged, and have fun.

Here is what to expect after registration:

- **Evaluation Skates:** All Tiered/Community players participate in evaluation skates after the registration period closes. Players are observed and assessed on skating, puck-handling, game sense, and teamwork.
 - **Team Placement:** Players are placed into appropriate tiers based on their evaluated skill level. The goal is to create balanced, competitive teams at every tier.
 - **Communication:** Evaluation dates, times, and locations are communicated to all registered families via email through the Division Directors to the email you register with. Watch your inbox!
 - **High Performance Evaluations:** High Performance evaluations follow a similar timeline with additional assessment criteria to ensure the right fit for this advanced program.
 - **Elite (AA) Tryouts:** Elite teams hold separate tryout camps, typically in mid-to-late August. This is a separate process from Tiered/High Performance evaluations.
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Play with a Friend Requests

EFHA understands that playing with friends can make the hockey experience even more enjoyable for your child. We are happy to consider "Play with a Friend" requests.

- **Eligibility:** Requests are accepted for **U7–U18 Tiered/Community teams only**.
- **How to submit:** Note which player(s) your child would like to play with at the time of registration.
- **Criteria:** Requests are considered when friends evaluate in the **same tier**.

Please Note

"Play with a Friend" requests are considered but are **NOT guaranteed**. Team balance and player development remain the primary factors in team placement decisions.

Fees, Refunds & Financial Assistance

EFHA is committed to making hockey accessible for all families. Here is what you need to know about fees and financial support:

Item	Details
Registration Fees	Fees vary by program (Tiered, High Performance) and age group (U7–U18). Visit femalehockeyalliance.ca for the current fee schedule.
Early Bird Pricing	Available from June 1 through July 8 . Register early to save!
Payment Plans	Payment plans may be available. Contact EFHA for details.
Refunds	Refund requests are subject to the EFHA Refund Policy. The Refund Form is available on femalehockeyalliance.ca .

Item	Details
Financial Assistance	Financial assistance and subsidy forms are available on the EFHA website for families who need support. No family should feel that cost is a barrier to participation.

 **Tip**

Visit femalehockeyalliance.ca for the current fee schedule, Refund Form, and Financial Assistance Subsidy Form. If you have questions about fees or financial support, please don't hesitate to reach out — we are here to help.

Key Contacts & Resources

Have questions? Need help? Here are your key contacts and resources:

 **EFHA Contacts & Resources**

EFHA Registrar

registrar@femalehockeyalliance.ca

EFHA Website

femalehockeyalliance.ca

Quick Reference Timeline — 2026–2027

Season

Here is a quick overview of key dates to keep in mind as you prepare for the upcoming season:

When	What
April 1, 2026	The Shift Forward — Parent/Guardian Course becomes available
June 1, 2026	Registration opens; transfer requests begin (per Hockey Alberta)
June 1–July 8, 2026	Early Bird registration pricing available — register early and save!
June–July 2026	Registration period for Tiered and High Performance programs
August 2026	Evaluation skates and team placement for Tiered and High Performance
Mid–Late August 2026	Elite (AA) tryout camps
September 2026	Evaluation skates and team placement for Tiered and High Performance
October 2026	Season begins — see you on the ice!

Thank you for being part of the EFHA family!

We are here to support you every step of the way. If you have any questions at all, please reach out to our registrar team.

Email: registrar@femalehockeyalliance.ca

Website: femalehockeyalliance.ca

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