

KERNERSVILLE YMCA Roller Hockey League General Information



The Directors of the Kernersville YMCA Roller Hockey League would like to welcome you to another exciting season. We are very grateful that you have chosen our program for your child/ren. This Information Packet provides you with important information and many answers to your questions regarding our program; its goals & guidelines. Should you have any questions that are not addressed in our Information Packet, please contact the YMCA @ 996-2231 or ask a Board Member (see page 4).

Our Goal

To provide an opportunity for young men and women to participate in an organized, supervised environment with emphasis on maximum safety and participation. We feel strongly that with your support and commitment, we can achieve this goal.

General Information

Question: What is the league's website address?

Answer: www.geocities.com/kvillehockey Check it out! It will have the schedule, scores, standings, stats, photos and general league news. Most of your questions can be answered via the website.

Question: What if it rains or the court is wet and we are scheduled to play?

Answer: We will cancel all events scheduled. The court is too slippery when wet. Please be aware though, that we try our very best to let the games go on. Some games may not be cancelled until game time. Remember that even if it is raining at your house, it may not be raining at the YMCA. Also, we schedule in a few rain days so that we can try to make up any games that get rained out.

Question: How will I know about any cancellations?

Answer: To confirm the cancellation, we will send out an email. If you do not have email, please call the YMCA for confirmation at 996-2231.

General League Information and Guidelines

- There will be a pre-game prayer before each game to be given by one of the players.
- There will be a post game line up and hand shake after each game.
- Coaches shall try to achieve 50% playing time for all players.
- Each player will supply his/her own hockey tape.
- There are no changing rooms or enclosed areas. Please be prepared for this.
- PLEASE CLEAN UP AFTER YOURSELF! THIS INCLUDES TAPE AND DRINK BOTTLES!
- Players and Coaches ONLY are allowed at player bench area during games.
- Parental assistance and involvement is necessary to make and keep this league successful. Please Help!
- Players are limited to a maximum of three (3) goals each per game.
- This league is NON-CHECK. **However, please understand there is contact. Non-check means you cannot DELIBERATELY check an opposing player.**
- During the regular season, should the score be tied at the end of regulation time, the game is over and will be scored as a tie. During the playoffs, a tie score at the end of regulation time will result in one (1) five minute sudden death overtime period. If the score is still tied at the end of this overtime period, a shootout with 3 players per side shall take place. If still tied, there will be a sudden death shootout one player at a time until a winner is decided. Players who have already scored the three goal maximum ARE NOT allowed to score in the first overtime period however they ARE allowed to take part in any subsequent shootouts.



Fees, Regulations & Requirements

Question: How much are the registration fees?

Answer: YMCA Member

- \$35.00

Non-Member

- \$70.00

Question: Does the YMCA offer financial assistance?

Answer: Yes, financial assistance is available through the YMCA. Direct all inquiries in this regard to the YMCA.

Question: What if I cannot sign-up prior to the end of the registration period?

Answer: Please contact the YMCA @ 996-2231 to make arrangements. If there are still spots available on the appropriate team for your child's age, then we should be able to make accommodations although, there will be a late registration fee assessed.

Question: What if I cannot pay all of my fees at sign-ups?

Answer: All fees must be paid-in-full before your child will be allowed on the rink or placed on the roster.

Question: How old must I be to participate?

Answer: Participants must be **4 years of age by Aug 31st** to participate in Roller Hockey. And cannot be over 17 years old unless still enrolled in high school. See Registration Information.

Question: I'm new to the league, why do I have to attend evaluations?

Answer: We have evaluation sessions for new players, regardless of age. This session offers valuable things for the player, the player's family and our coaching staff.

- For the player, it provides the opportunity to ensure he/she has the right equipment and gives a little skating time on our rink.
- For the parent, it provides a chance to meet our coaching staff and our league management as well as get to have any further questions answered.
- For our coaches, it provides us a chance to evaluate your child's ability so that we can place him/her on the appropriate team. We make every effort to balance our teams out to ensure competitiveness.

Question: What do I need to bring to evaluations?

Answer: Come ready to play with full equipment. A complete list, with pictures, of the required equipment is provided on our website.

Question: What is included in the hockey sign-up fees?

Answer: Kernersville YMCA Roller Hockey Jersey, year-end trophy and/or medals. Goalie equipment is provided for those children who wish to play goalie.

Question: Do I have to provide anything myself?

Answer: Yes, all participants are responsible for providing their own protective equipment. A complete list, with pictures, of the required equipment is provided on our website.



Parent Involvement

Question: Does the Kernersville YMCA Roller Hockey League have a Code of Conduct?

Answer: Yes, it is vital that the code of conduct is signed and enforced in order for our organization to be something that we want our children to be involved in and proud to be associated with. A copy of our code of conduct is available online @ www.geocities.com/kvillehockey. This should be reviewed and agreed upon prior to sign-up.

Question: What happens if someone does not follow the Code of Conduct?

Answer: The Kernersville YMCA Roller Hockey League reserves the right to automatically render any child OR parent unable to participate or attend an organizational sponsored event.

Question: Where do I get information about what is going on?

Answer: You can get information at a number of places:

- 1) on our website www.geocities.com/kvillehockey
- 2) information board located outside of the rink
- 3) Coaches and team parents
- 4) Contact a board member.
- 5) YMCA

If you have a question, please ask!

Question: Whom should I contact if I am concerned with any situation?

Answer: Any concerns should be directed to your Team Parent, Head Coach or a Board Member. We want to ensure that you and your child have a good experience with the Kernersville YMCA Roller Hockey League.

Question: Can I solicit sponsors?

Answer: Yes, all corporate sponsorships are welcome. Please contact a board member.

Practice & Games

Question: How is it decided which team my child will be on?

Answer: During the evaluations, we look into several factors: age, size, skill level and coachability. The coaches then rate each child on a scale of 1-5. This rating is arrived at by consensus between all of the coaches and is kept strictly confidential amongst the coaching staff. Once all players have been rated, the coaching staff meets privately and conducts a draft. In the draft we do our best to ensure that there is parity between the teams. In the interest of transparency, parents are welcome to attend the draft process. Contact one of the board members listed on the last page for information. After the teams have been selected, we will conduct one or two nights of scrimmages between all of the teams. During the scrimmages, it is possible that children will be "traded" from one team to another to maximize parity. After the scrimmages are complete, rosters are final except in EXTREME circumstances.

Question: How often will we have practice?

Answer: Practice will typically occur one night per week. The night chosen for practice will be determined by the coaches' availability, players' availability and rink availability. Every effort will be made to accommodate your family's particular schedule, but cannot be guaranteed.

Question: What happens if it rains on a practice or game night?

Answer: We will cancel all events scheduled. The court is too slippery when wet. Please be aware though, that we try our very best to let the games go on. Some games may not be cancelled until game time. Remember that even if it is raining at your house, it may not be raining at the YMCA. Also, we schedule in a few rain days so that we can try to make up any games that get rained out.

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Question: When will my child be issued his/her jersey?

Answer: After the coaches conduct the draft to determine teams, there are typically a couple of nights of scrimmages to verify the competitiveness of the teams. Jerseys will be issued during this scrimmage period.

Question: When will we receive a schedule for the games?

Answer: Schedules will be made available after the registration period. Please check the website regularly for updates. Historically games have been held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. As the registration numbers grow, this may need to be expanded.

Participant Recognition

Question: Will the Kernersville YMCA Roller Hockey League offer individual & team pictures?

Answer: Still to be determined. Please let us know your preference.

Question: When & Where is the Awards & Trophy Party going to be held?

Answer: We will be holding our year-end Award & Trophy Party at the YMCA. Date and actual location within the YMCA to be determined.

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