

Rep Fee Overview

Rep Fees are a bill submitted to each Competitive Team to cover the costs incurred by AMHA for that team's season expenses. Instead of charging the full amount of the cost of a season to each team up front, we choose to have lower up-front registration costs with rep fees charged (usually in instalments) after the season begins to cover the team annual budget. We chose this approach as many teams fundraise a significant portion of their budget. This approach gives teams time to fundraise after team formation. The explanation of each line item is as follows:

Ice (Practice and Game)

AMHA's cost for ice varies depending on the rink. For the 2022-2023 season the blended rate for ice is approximately \$200 per hour. Each team will pay for all practice ice and all game ice for the season. Ice is the largest expense a team incurs, representing approximately 70% of a typical team budget. Ice is charged to each team in accordance with the rink being utilized for practices and games. (It is important to note that if you have 50 minutes on ice you will be billed for 60 minutes; the rinks charge AMHA for the 10 minute flood per ice time and that charge is passed on to the teams.) Each team is billed for 20 weeks of ice and the team is responsible to pay for the ice, even if it is not used. If you're not going to use your ice post it for sale on Goalline. If you buy ice, you owe the team selling it and vice versa – AMHA is paid by the team who owns that ice. If you sell it you are responsible for recovering from the other team. In the case of inclement weather, it is up to the head coach whether to proceed with the game or practice but if the rink is open, we will be charged for the ice and this will be the team's responsibility.

Referees

Referee charges range from approximately \$50 to \$180 per game and are division specific (i.e., U15 costs more than U11 for example and U15AAA is more than U15B). Included in those amounts is a small administration charge to pay the referee coordinators who schedule, and coordinate payment to, the individual referees.

Timekeepers

Timekeeper rates are ~\$20-\$25/game depending on the division, plus a small administration charge to pay the timekeeper coordinator who schedules and coordinates payment to the individual timekeepers.

Administration Players

This covers insurance and other costs billed by Hockey NS and Hockey Canada to AMHA per player.

Administration Coaches

This covers insurance and other costs billed by Hockey NS and Hockey Canada to AMHA per coach, assistant coach, trainer and team manager.

Developmental Charge

This fee covers the Hockey NS Coaching Clinics which are required to be taken by team bench staff as well as Acadia development sessions.

League Fees

Vary depending on division and level but are charged by the Leagues as well as a set fee to Hockey NS per team.

Jersey Fee

This is placed in a reserve for the purchase of new jerseys on a rotating basis (usually every 4 years).

Registration Credit

The registration fee collected per player is credited to each team as funds already collected toward each team's costs (as outlined above). The balance left owing is the amount that the team must remit to AMHA to cover the remaining costs for the season.

Rep fees will be due in two installments:

- ~60% due by December 1st
- ~40% due by January 15th

It is critical that payments be made to AMHA on time so we can cover our bills as they come due. Instalments are an accommodation made to the teams to help spread out the costs as we understand they are significant, and the teams need time to fundraise. Any adjustments to rep fees that are incurred before the bills are sent will be reflected on the bills before they are distributed (this year these include tryout credits, rink shutdowns that have already been communicated, etc.). Any adjustments that occur after the bills are distributed, (for example, lost ice due to rink shutdowns or no-show officials), are the responsibility of the team manager/treasurer to track, accumulate and communicate to AMHA at the end of the season.

A sample budget has been updated for the 2022/23 season and is posted on the AMHA website for your use. Please note when putting together your budget that there are items that are not billed by AMHA that teams will want to budget for – for example, game socks, tournaments and end of year parties/coach gifts.

Any questions? Please feel free to reach out to me.

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