



## TRYOUT EXEMPTION POLICY

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The purpose of this policy is to accommodate players who are injured, ill, or absent during the tryout process for a SSMHA or GMHA team.

- A player who wishes to try out for any team but is unable to try out due to injury, illness, or other absence (ie. family emergency) must email and notify the SSMHA/GMHA All-star Directors before tryouts begin.
- If the injury, illness, or family emergency happens during tryouts, SSMHA/GMHA's All-star Directors must be notified immediately, prior to the player's next tryout session. If proper notification is not given, considerations may not be made.
- Once the proper notification has been given the player will be put on the Injured, Illness, or absent list. A roster spot can be held open for a player on the injured/illness/absent list.
- A roster spot for a player on the injured/illness/absent list may be held for a maximum of 4 weeks past the last tryout skate.
- Players on the injured/illness/absent list will be vetted by the TD(s), VPs, and All-star Directors to decide if the caliber of the injured player warrants a roster spot being held.
- If any participant becomes sick, injured, or has a family emergency and cannot attend all sessions, the player shall be ranked for the sessions in which they participate, and their score shall be prorated for the session(s) they are unable to attend.
- If a player is sick, injured, or has a family emergency and is unable to attend any portion of the tryout process, the player will be ranked based upon any background information that the evaluators can access such as past performance with prior teams, coaching reports from those teams, and any other pertinent information available to them.
- The Technical Director(s), Vice Presidents, and All-star Directors will have the option of choosing from the Injured/Illness/absent list to complete the roster, based on perceived skill level, past performances, and any other pertinent information available.
- If a player from the Injured/Illness/absent list is chosen, they must have approval from SSMHA/GMHA's President/Vice-President. Players who are chosen from the Injured/Illness/absent list must have already been registered and be a member in good standing with the SSMHA/GMHA.
- Players who are chosen from the Injured/Illness/absent list are required to pay all team fees that the rest of the team is required to pay, regardless of when they will actually begin playing with their team.
- Tryout fee refunds will not be made for injuries/illnesses/absences during tryouts.
- In cases of a significant injury (one that causes the player to miss multiple sessions), a note from the attending physician approving the player's return to play is required before the player can rejoin the process or resume play the SSMHA-GMHA hockey activities.