

WISCONSIN ELITE HOCKEY LEAGUE U16

Attention: U16 (1993/94/95 High School) Wisconsin hockey players,

We are excited to announce that will operate an expanded league that includes teams in Fond du Lac (expected to play in the Select Division), Spooner/Superior and Tomah. This will not only allow us to reduce some of the travel we are excited to move to an 8 team league in the Elite Division. Having said this it should be noted that if a team from a new region would be better suited in the Select Division we will make that switch during tryouts.

Below is a chart of where you should tryout given the new regions.

Important Notice – all commutation of WEHL programs are done by e-mail so make sure you provide a good email address when registering. 600 players were without email contacts so please forward to your friends to ensure everyone is aware the program. For those who have spam filters please ensure webmaster@wahahockey.com is on your safe list should you like to receive current information

TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR TRYOUTS –

All players must register with USA Hockey for the 2009-10 season before being allowed to register for the tryouts. Please remember these points when registering;

- It is very important to use the same name as is on your ID card or birth certificate when registering
- You must forward your USA Hockey insurance registration confirmation to the WEHL Registrar to be eligible for tryouts - hcranston.wehl@gmail.com

Tryout Registrations will open on May 31st

Regional tryouts will be held in 7 locations; Eau Claire, Green Bay, Spooner/Superior, Madison, Milwaukee, Stevens Point, and Tomah on or around the first week in August. Check the [Website](#) for your regions tryout locations and times. The cost for players is \$50 to tryout.

Selections will be made by an independent group of evaluators located with the region and selected by the Regional General Managers.

New Regional contacts – we have strong interest in several locations and have decided to open 3 new locations for the 2010 season. These are Region 1 in Spooner/Superior, Fond Du Lac, and a second Region 6 in Tomah. If you are interested in helping in these new regions please contact;

Region 1 – Spooner/Superior – U14 and U16E

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Steve Billings, 715 866 8145, basslakewi@centurytel.net – helping Steve get this region rolling is Pat Golat out of Superior.

Region 6 – Tomah/Sparta – U14 and U16E

Ian Holloway, 608-343-7885, iholloway@charter.net

Fond Du Lac – Mike Larabell - U14 and U16S

mlarabell@new.rr.com, 920 428-7206.

Head Coaches, in most cases, will be non-parent coaches and will receive a small stipend to offset their expenses. This can be an opportunity to work with some very good coaches as well as play at a fast pace. Coaches must be Certified level 4 with USA Hockey. Check the website for your regions coaching staff.

2009-10 U16E and U16S Practice Schedule will consist of 13 hours total and is set up locally to help offset any local issues such as travel and fall sports. Check the [Website](#) for your regions schedule.

2009-10 U16E and U16S Game Schedule

The schedule is in its final stages of completion and should be posted within the next week. The final tournament will be held the weekend of October 30th and again will be held in Fond Du Lac.

Due to the limited number of teams allowed to the state tournament this tournaments placement may play a role in deciding teams that will need to “playdown” and/or face complete elimination from the state tournament.

State tournament bound U16E teams will have 2 practices and a game prior to the state tournament following the end of the High School Season.

Cost

U16S - \$400

U16E - \$550

Note to cost difference – U16S have fewer games and practices with no chance to advance to Regionals.

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*All 1995 birth year players will receive information on this division as well at the U16 division. 8th grade players can only tryout for the U14 division while 9th grade players should decide where they will play this winter and tryout in the corresponding division.

Should you have any questions please contact your regions' contact listed above.

Superior

Amery
Rice Lake
Cumberland
Baron
Hayward
Superior
Spooner
Webster Coop
Grantsburg
Ashland
Price Ice
River Valley - St Croix
Falls

Eau Claire

Altoona
Chippewa Falls
ECM
ECN
Hudson
McDonnell Central
Menomonie
New Richmond
River Falls

Tomah

Aquinas Coop
Baraboo/ Portage Coop
Black River Falls/ Melrose
Mindoro Coop
La Crosse Central/ La Crosse
Logan Coop
Onalaska
Sparta/ West Salem Coop
Tomah
Viroqua Coop
WI Dells/ Reedsburg Area
Coop

Green Bay/Appleton (Northeast)

Tryouts: Aug 1st & 2nd

WEHL Teams: U14, U16 Select, U16 Elite, U18 Elite

What skaters should tryout for the Northeast Region: For all teams but the U18 Elite it will include any WIAA or WAHA skater from Marinette to Neenah, detailed list below.

For the U18 Elite it will include all the skaters included in the Northeast and Fond du Lac Region.

Special Notes:

1. This year the Northeast will be utilizing the Green Bay and Appleton rinks as home ice.
2. Any questions please contact Michael Larabell at mlarabell@new.rr.com

Ashwaubenon
Notre Dame
Bay Port
Green Bay United
Marinette
Depere

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Shawano
Appleton United
Fox Cities Stars
Neenah
Any WAHA players in the vicinity of these WIAA Teams.

Fond du Lac

Tryouts: Aug 1st & 2nd if necessary.
WEHL Teams: U14, U16 Select

What skaters should tryout for the FDL Region: Includes any WIAA or WAHA skater from Oshkosh to West Bend and Sheboygan to Beaver Dam. Any 91-92 skater who is U18 eligible should tryout for the Northeast U18 team. More info below.

Special Notes:

1. The U16 Select schedule has been modified to schedule around ALL Fond du Lac Springs football games. We moved games to Sunday when Springs has a Saturday football game.
2. Fond du Lac is an open Region for any skater within 60 miles that feels as if it will be logistically easier to participate based on your location. Example would be a skater from an Ozaukee program may live closer to Fond du Lac than Milwaukee.
3. This year with the expansion of FDL we will be utilizing FDL Blueline as the home rink for this team.
4. Any questions please contact Michael Larabell at mlarabell@new.rr.com

Beaver Dam
Waupun
Fond du Lac
Fond du Lac Springs
Sheboygan
Manitowoc
Oshkosh
West Bend
Any WAHA players in the vicinity of these WIAA Teams.

Milwaukee

No changes except with the Fond Du Lac exception. Fond du Lac is an open Region for any skater within 60 miles that feels as if it will be logistically easier to participate based on your location. Example would be a skater from an Ozaukee program may live closer to Fond du Lac than Milwaukee.

Madison - Loses Baraboo and Dells/Reedsburg

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Grandfather Clause

Some exceptions can be made for a player to continue to play for the region they started with on a case by case basis. These requests should be made to me directly at rcranston@usmk12.org. Please include where you are supposed to tryout and where you want to play as well as any other conditions you feel are pertinent. I will speak directly with the GM's of those regions and get back to you with the outcome of the request asap.

Players interested in participating in these programs must be a Wisconsin resident.

Sincerely,

Rene Cranston
WEHL Commissioner
GM, Milwaukee Region