

Houston Hockey Series



The USA Hockey sanctioned Houston Hockey Series is one of the most unique experiences in all of adult amateur hockey. The purpose of this league is to give amateur hockey players a one of a kind opportunity to play the game like a professional. The Houston Hockey Series will consist of four adult recreation hockey teams representing rinks in Houston which will compete against one another to be crowned as overall City Champions.

All Houston Hockey Series games will take place at Toyota Center in conjunction with Aeros' home games during the 2009-2010 season. The 12 game season will consist of weekday games and prime weekend dates. Each game will include all of the amenities of the highly regarded "Play Like the Pros" experience, professional locker room settings, player introductions, scoreboards, you name it...

Included with registration, all Houston Hockey Series players will receive a 15 game season ticket with their own personal seat at the Toyota Center for their respective Houston Hockey Series games. A complimentary Club Level parking pass will also be provided for all 15 games. Each player will get a team jersey, league jacket, league t-shirt, as well as a water-bottle. Players will also receive all of the perks that go along with being an Aeros Season Ticket Holder including autograph sessions, player meet and greets, merchandise discounts, etc.

Our goal is to provide one of the most unique experiences in all of recreational sports at an unbeatable value. The Houston Aeros want to give players in this league the chance to have unprecedented involvement with the organization and get the true feeling of what it is to Play Like a Pro!

Houston Hockey Series Details

Facility: Toyota Center

Dates: 12 league games in conjunction with the Houston Aeros home schedule.

Teams: 4 teams consisting of “D” and “C” level players from respective rinks around the city.
(40 to 56 players: 10 skater min. – 13 skater max. plus one [1] goalie)

Amenities:

- 15 game season ticket in Center Ice / Club Level
- Free Club Level Parking for all 15 games at Toyota Center
- Team Jersey
- Hockey Socks
- League Jacket
- League T-Shirt
- Aeros Puck
- Water Bottle
- Champions Plaque
- Team Picture

Player Cost Breakdown:

- 15 game seat: \$377
- League Fees: \$183

Total Cost Per Player: **\$560**

- Plus the option to add a seat to your package at a further discounted cost of only \$300.
- Add on option **ONLY** available to Houston Hockey Series players during the first year of play and will resume public pricing at renewal time.
- Players will also receive 2 Free Vouchers if they choose to purchase a voucher book to accommodate their seat.

Actual Value (based on avg. Play Like a Pro experience): \$814

Savings: \$254

Houston Hockey Series offers its members many payment options for every budget

Option 1: \$560 paid in full.

Option 2: 2 Payments of \$280. First, due up-front, the second due in August.

Option 3: 3 Payments of \$186 due in monthly intervals. Due dates will be determined by the Houston Aeros.

The same options are available for players adding an additional discounted seat.

League Rules

The Houston Hockey Series follows the most current version of USA Hockey Rules and Standards of Play for Non-Check Leagues. The league is governed by four team captains (known as the Captains Panel and acting as the Proper Disciplinary Authority in accordance with USA Hockey requirements) who are responsible for their respective teams actions and inactions as well as the overall operation of the league. They will handle the day to day functions within the league as well as any disputes concerning compliance to the League Rules and Regulations.

Players will report to their captains' any disputes / concerns. Captains will work together to solve any issues regarding rule enforcement, level of play, administrative issues, etc... Should the "Captains' Panel" come to a tie during a vote, the League Director will cast the swaying vote. Should the captains need additional input on any matter, decisions will be made by the League Director.

-Houston Hockey Series Level of Play:

This league is exclusively for D-level (Novice) and C-level players. Captains are to use their judgment on player performance within their own teams. A "Captains Panel" will address any issues with limitations or exclusions up to and including dismissal from the league.

-Championship:

The Houston Hockey Series will consist of a 10 game Regular Season in which the team with the best record will be declared Champions. The Regular Season will also determine seeding for a two game playoff to determine the post season and overall City Champions.

-Overtime

During the season, we will utilize a five skater shootout to decide the winner. If the five skater shootout ends in a tie, we will proceed to "sudden victory" shootout where all players must shoot before any one player can have another turn. During the Playoffs and the Championship game, continuous 5 minute overtime, 4-on-4, sudden victory periods will determine the winner and/or City Champion.

-Substitutions

Players will **NOT** be allowed to substitute another player for their spot for any game. The only exception will be if a Goalie is unable to play on a given night. The captain will work out a substitution with the League Director.

Official League Rules & Procedures

NON-checking USA hockey rules

Game play procedures:

Points scoring system:

1. 3 points for a win.
2. 2 points for a shoot-out loss.
3. 1 point for a loss in regulation time.

Game Play Procedures:

1. Three (3) fifteen (15) minute stop-time/run-time periods.
2. No 2 line pass.
3. No touch icing is in effect.
4. Tag-up offsides in effect.
5. The League Director has the right to allow run-time during any game if it falls behind in accordance with the arena schedule.

Over Time Procedures:

(Regular Season)

1. 5-Player Shootout
3. Sudden Victory shoot-out (all players must shoot before any player gets a second shot).

(Playoffs/Championship)

1. Continuous 5 minute, 4-on-4, sudden victory periods.

Tie Breaker Procedures:

If two (2) teams or more tie for the playoff seeding or Championship Game—

1. Head to head record between tied teams.
2. Goal differential in games between tied teams.
3. Goals scored in games between tied teams.
4. Fewest penalty minutes.
5. Coin toss.

Non-playoff seed tie (consolation)—

1. Fewest penalty minutes.
2. Goal differential in games between tied teams.
3. Goals scored in games between tied teams.
4. Coin toss.

Additional Penalty Procedures:

1. Fighting, penalty offense causing injury or official abuse will result in a Game Misconduct.
2. A Game Misconduct results in automatic ejection from current game and player is suspended from the next game.
3. A second Game Misconduct for the same player during the season will result in the player being dismissed from the league.
4. If a suspended or dismissed player does not leave immediately, that team will forfeit all remaining games and be moved to last place in League standings.
5. A player that acts against another player in a manner that shows intent to injure, the offending player will be assessed a match penalty, which results in automatic dismissal from the game.

Level of Play Enforcement:

1. Players are expected to be of a D/C skill level.
2. Captains will be responsible for maintaining a level of play that is consistent with D/C performance.
3. If a player consistently and obviously plays at a level exceeding D/C, then a "Captains Panel" will address these issues with limitations or exclusions up to and including dismissal from the league.

Administrative procedures:

Registration:

1. Teams are required to be pre-registered and paid in full prior to being allowed to participate.
2. All players must have current USA Hockey memberships and that information must be included in the registration packets.
4. **All players must have a current membership with a local rink / organization to be eligible.**

On-ice Officials:

1. Minimum of two (2) USA Hockey certified officials per game.
2. All on-ice rulings are final.
3. All officials will answer directly to the League Director.

Off-ice Officials (scorekeeper/timekeeper/penalty box official):

1. Minimum of one (1) League Stat/score/timekeeper will be present for each game.
2. Duties include but not limited to:

- a. Scorekeeping
 - b. Timekeeping
 - c. Penalty box coordination
3. One lead off-ice official will be designated and responsible for coordinating off-ice officials for all games. Lead off-ice official answers directly to the League Director.
 4. Game stats and score will be kept on official USA Hockey Score sheets.

Overview



This league will provide a complete professional hockey experience for all players. It will serve to promote the Aeros involvement and dedication to the growth of the game at a grassroots level. The city-wide scope of this program will also help to open the lines of communication between various organizations and maintain sustained growth in the number of registered USA Hockey members in the area. We intend this league to be something that players get involved with in addition to their current organizations. To further enhance that mindset, players **must** have a current league affiliation to be eligible to play in the Houston Hockey Series. This requirement will help to strengthen the relationship between the Houston Aeros and local hockey organizations.

This program takes the phrase “Rec-League” to a whole new level. Our goal is to provide a complete hockey package for the hockey enthusiast that is unlike any other.



Houston Hockey Series 2009-2010 Season Adult Registration



Player's Name: _____

Mailing address: _____

Home Phone: _____ **Cell:** _____

E- Mail Address: _____

Current League/Rink Affiliate: _____

Rosters and Schedules will be e-mailed to you as soon as the teams are selected. Slots are limited and are assigned on a first come, first skate basis!

*Please choose from one of the following registration options:
(Adult novice hockey only)*

___ I am PAID IN FULL BABY!! \$560 enclosed.

___ I'd like to pay \$280 now and will pay the remaining \$280 by the August due date.

___ Sign me up for the 3 payment option, \$186 now followed by two monthly installments of \$186, thanks!!

**League fees are payable by check or money order only. Make checks payable to Golden Triangle Ice Hockey (GTIH). Please pay in advance only and mail this registration form to:*

Golden Triangle Ice Hockey
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Beaumont, TX 77706

Questions? Call—
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Golden Triangle Ice Hockey requires the following from its skating members:

- Current USA Hockey membership is required. Go to www.usahockeyregistration.com for info on how to sign up with USA hockey.
- A copy of your USA Hockey membership and completed Waiver of Liability, Consent to Treat, and Medical History Forms must be turned in before you will be allowed to play.
- All skaters must wear a minimum of helmet and shin/knees guards—although full protective equipment is strongly advised.
- All USA Hockey Rules and Standards of Play and GTIH Rules and Polices will be strictly adhered to at all times. This includes a Zero-Tolerance Policy for fighting and misconduct.

Eat. Sleep. Hockey.