Team Managers Meeting

September 8, 2026 @ 8:00PM

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CSDHL Prospects Central States Hockey

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CSDHL Website and GameSheet

- Central States Development Hockey League
- You must have an approved USAH roster in GameSheet to play a game (use Team ID – do not input manually)
- All declaration games and regular season games MUST be scored using GameSheet
- Central States Development Hockey League | Game Sheet Training
- IPAD Access Key: ipad-csdhl
- CSDHL Assigns Referees for League Games in Illinois

2026-2027 CSDHL Prospects Divisions

Squirt: Red 1, Red 2, Red 3, White 1, White 2, White 3, Blue 1, Blue 2 & Blue 3

Peewee: Red 1, Red 2, Red 3, White 1, White 2, White 3, Blue 1 & Blue 2

Bantam: Red 1, Red 2, Red 3, White 1, White 2, White 3, Blue 1 & 2

U15/16: 1 Division

U18: 1 Division

CSDHL Important Dates

• ANNUAL BOARD MEETING:	September 15, 2026
• START OF REGULAR SEASON :	September 18, 2026
• PROSPECTS DECLARATION END DATE:	October 18, 2026
• PROSPECTS REGULAR SEASON START DATE:	October 30, 2026
• END OF REGULAR SEASON MAJOR/MINOR & RED PROSPECTS:	January 30, 2027
• END OF REGULAR SEASON PROSPECTS (WHITE & BLUE):	February 6, 2027
• PLAYOFFS MAJOR/MINOR, ALL MIDGET & RED PROSPECTS:	February 4-7, 2027
• PLAYOFFS PROSPECTS (WHITE & BLUE):	February 11-14, 2027

All rosters are due to Jeff Cesarone by 10/31/26. Please send only your portal link to: jeffcesarone@gmail.com. Please indicate in your email: Team name & Division playing in (EXAMPLE: Hawks Bantam Prospects Red 1).

Peoria Rule: CSDHL Prospects Division Only

The Peoria Rule means that certain teams competing at certain levels of the Prospects Division will be required to play their home games at an opposing team's rink if the opposing team does not wish to travel to their home rink. If the Peoria Rule is invoked, the opposing team provides and pays for ice, referees and athletic trainers (if applicable).

- Prospects RED (all tiers): No Peoria Rule. Play home games at a club's home rink.
- Prospects WHITE (all tiers, Squirt – Bantam): Peoria Rule (if invoked) for clubs subject to Peoria Rule (see list below).
- Prospects BLUE (all tiers, Squirt – Bantam): Peoria Rule (if invoked) for clubs subject to Peoria Rule (see list below).

Clubs subject to the Peoria Rule (*if accepted into the Prospects Division*):

> Affton, Bloomington, Champaign, Chesterfield Knights, St. Louis Eagles, Highland Hills, Indy Fuel, Kankakee, Kansas City, Littleton, Madison, Omaha, Pekin, Peoria, South Bend, Southern Ice Hawks, Sharks, Shaw Timberwolves, St. Louis Sting/St. Peters, Quad Cities, and any other club designated by the league.

Games between two teams subject to the Peoria Rule will be played at the respective home rinks as designated by declaration games grid and regular season games grid published by the league.

CSDHL Scheduling:

Declaration Round Games Squirt, Peewee & Bantam

- **TEAMS IN EACH PROSPECTS DIVISION ANNOUNCED BY 9/6/26.**
- **PROSPECTS DECLARATION ROUND GRIDS WILL BE RELEASED TO PRESIDENTS AND CSDHL REPS ON 9/9/26 (OPEN GOOGLE DOC TO SHARE WITH MANAGERS).**
- **PROSPECTS MANAGERS SCHEDULING WINDOW FOR 6-GAME DECLARATION ROUND: 9/9/26 – 9/12/26.**
- **HOME GAMES MUST BE ENTERED INTO CSDHL GOOGLE DOC SPREADSHEET BY NOON ON 9/12/26.**
- **MANAGERS CAN SCHEDULE GAMES BY CREATING A SIGN-UP GENIUS, PHONE OR EMAIL.**
- **IF YOU RESCHEDULE A HOME GAME, YOU MUST IMMEDIATELY FILL OUT THE GAME CHANGE FORM ON THE CSDHL WEBSITE (click on tab for "Game Change Form" which will bring you to** MCHO Schedule Request Form**).**

CSDHL Scheduling:

Regular Season Games Squirt, Peewee & Bantam

- **PROSPECTS REGULAR SEASON GAME GRIDS WILL BE RELEASED TO PRESIDENTS AND CSDHL REPS BY 10/21/26 (OPEN GOOGLE DOC TO BE SHARED WITH MANAGERS).**
- **PROSPECTS MANAGERS SCHEDULING WINDOW FOR 20-GAME REGULAR SEASON: 10/21/26 – 10/25/26.**
- **HOME GAMES MUST BE ENTERED INTO CSDHL GOOGLE DOC SPREADSHEET BY NOON ON 10/25/26.**
- **MANAGERS CAN SCHEDULE GAMES BY CREATING A SIGN-UP GENIUS, PHONE OR EMAIL.**
- **IF YOU RESCHEDULE A HOME GAME, YOU MUST IMMEDIATELY FILL OUT THE GAME CHANGE FORM ON THE CSDHL WEBSITE (click on tab for "Game Change Form" which will bring you to** MCHO Schedule Request Form**).**

CSDHL Scheduling:

Regular Season Midget Teams

- MIDGET TEAMS ANNOUNCED 9/6/26.
- NO DECLARATION GAMES FOR MIDGETS.
- PROSPECTS MIDGET TEAM GRIDS WILL BE RELEASED TO PRESIDENTS AND CSDHL REPS BY 9/9/26 (OPEN GOOGLE DOC TO BE SHARED WITH MANAGERS).
- PROSPECTS U15/16 MANAGERS SCHEDULING WINDOW FOR 26-GAME REGULAR SEASON: 9/9/26 – 9/12/26.
- PROSPECTS U18 MANAGERS SCHEDULING WINDOW FOR 24-GAME REGULAR SEASON: 9/9/26 – 9/12/26.
- HOME GAMES MUST BE ENTERED INTO CSDHL GOOGLE DOC SPREADSHEET BY NOON ON 9/12/26.
- MANAGERS CAN SCHEDULE GAMES BY CREATING A SIGN-UP GENIUS, PHONE OR EMAIL.
- IF YOU RESCHEDULE A HOME GAME, YOU MUST IMMEDIATELY FILL OUT THE GAME CHANGE FORM ON THE CSDHL WEBSITE (click on tab for "Game Change Form" which will bring you to MCHO Schedule Request Form).

Game Time Rules, Athletic Trainers and Handshake Line

- **What are the time rules for games played in the Prospects Division?** Visit the CSDHL website at https://www.csdhl.org/ for information on times for periods, penalties, overtime, ice cuts (for Midget level) and referees.

- **Are clubs required to have athletic trainers for home games at the Bantam and Midget levels of the Prospects Division?** Athletic trainers are **required** for the **Midget** level for the **Prospects Division**. Athletic trainers are *strongly encouraged* for the Bantam level in the Prospects Division.

- Coaches should NOT be in handshake line with players.

Playoffs

- **Not all teams will qualify for playoffs**. The number of teams that will qualify for playoffs will depend on the number of teams in a particular level/tier. Last season, either the top 8 or the top 6 teams advanced to playoffs.

- **Playoff schedule and rink location is determined by CSDHL.**

PENALTIES THAT RESULT IN GAME SUSPENSIONS

Updated 9/15/26

- 1st Fighting Penalty in CSDHL game = 1 <u>league game</u> suspension (immediate next league game)*
- 2nd Fighting Penalty in CSDHL game and same season = 3 <u>league game</u> suspension (immediate next 3 league games)*
- 3rd Fighting Penalty in CSDHL game and same season or "Match" penalty = player suspended until a hearing is conducted by the property authorities under USA Hockey Rule 410, Supplementary Discipline*

**The league reserves the right to review any Fighting penalty, regardless of how many previous fighting penalties a player has been assessed during a season and impose additional suspensions under USA Hockey Rule 410.*

- Coaches are expected to review their scoresheets after each game and note MAJOR penalties.
- If a player receives a penalty which would require them to sit 1 or more games for suspension, do not play the player in the next game -- additional penalties may be assessed by CSDHL if you do.
- If a player receives a penalty in a CSDHL game which would require them to sit 1 or more games for suspension, the suspension MUST be served in a CSDHL game (different than USA Hockey rules).
- For example, if a player has a 1 game suspension from a major penalty in a CSDHL game and the next game is an out-of-town tournament, the player must sit the 1st game in tournament to satisfy USA Hockey rules, but that does not satisfy CSDHL. The player will also be suspended from the next CSDHL game to satisfy CSDHL. If a player gets a 1 game suspension at a tournament, just make sure they sit the next game whatever it is (no additional CSDHL game).

Neckguards!

REMINDER
NECK LACERATION PROTECTION
REQUIRED
WHO IS REQUIRED TO WEAR NECK LACERATION PROTECTION?
ALL PLAYERS COMPETING IN
YOUTH - JUNIOR
GIRLS - HIGH SCHOOL
PLUS ON-ICE OFFICIALS UNDER-18
STARTING ON
AUGUST
1
REMEMBER
NECK LACERATION PROTECTORS (NLP) MUST BE
WORN PROPERLY WITH NO ALTERATIONS
ALL
DISABLED DISCIPLINES
ARE REQUIRED
TO WEAR NECK LACERATION PROTECTION
WHAT IS THE PENALTY FOR NOT WEARING NLP?
FIRST VIOLATION-
PLAYER SUBSTITUTION & TEAM WARNING
FURTHER VIOLATIONS-
MISCONDUCT PENALTY
WHAT HAPPENS IF A PLAYER LOSES THEIR NLP?
THE PLAYER IS ALLOWED TO PLAY UNTIL THE NEXT STOPPAGE
AT THE STOPPAGE, PLAYER MUST REPLACE NLP OR BE SUBSTITUTED WITH ANOTHER PLAYER
HANGING THROAT PROTECTORS
DO NOT
QUALIFY AS NLP FOR ANY PLAYER INCLUDING GOALIES

PUCKS FOR WARM-UPS

- The Home Team provides pucks for warm-ups. Should provide 20 pucks.
- If a Team invokes the Peoria Rule, they provide the pucks for warm-ups to the traveling team.

CSDHL Game of the Week

- Following declaration rounds, CSDHL will select a game of the for Prospects Division to be broadcast live by **Shelan Sports Media**. The broadcast is paid for by CSDHL.
- Separately, teams can contact Shelan Sports Media for reserve a live broadcast anytime during the season
  - Cost: $150 p/game with discounts for multiple broadcasts at the same location on the same day
- Shelan Sports Media
  - **WWW.SHELANSPORTSMEDIA.COM**
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ANY QUESTIONS