



BRBHA Hybrid Goalie Policy – 2024



The U11 Hybrid Goalie Policy is in place to allow registrants in the U11 age category the opportunity to participate as both a Skater and a goaltender.

The Bow River Bruins Hockey Association (BRBHA) is implementing this Hybrid Goalie Policy to supplement the Hockey Calgary U11 “Hybrid Goalie” Policy which can be found at:

https://www.hockeycalgary.ca/assets/file/Operations/U11_Pathway/HC_U11_Hybrid_Goalie_Policy_FINAL.pdf

All U11 participants will be made aware of the Hockey Calgary U11 Hybrid Goalie Policy and all interested participants will be given the opportunity to be a Hybrid Goalie provided they meet all the necessary criteria as outlined in the Hockey Calgary Hybrid Goalie Policy.

The Hybrid Placement Committee consists of the Evaluation Coordinator, the Goaltender Evaluations Chair and the U11 goaltender lead evaluator from the BRBHA Goaltending Committee.

All Prospective Hybrid Goalies must declare the participant order of preference prior to starting the evaluations process. (Goalie or Skater). This declaration will be used in the event that a prospective Hybrid Goalie does not meet the outlined criteria (BRBHA Hybrid policies) to become an approved Hybrid goalie.

In addition to the details outlined in the Hockey Calgary Hybrid Goalie policy, any prospective and accepted Hybrid Goalie must meet the BRBHA criteria pertaining to the following:

Evaluation Procedure

1. All prospective Hybrid Goalies will be evaluated as both a Goaltender and a Skater for a **Minimum** of 2 sessions at each position.
2. Goalie evaluations will consist of a **Minimum** of 1 Skills session and 1 Small Area Game Session.
3. Player evaluations will consist of a **Minimum** of 1 Skills session and 1 Scrimmage session.
4. Following the 2 evaluations sessions at each position, and provide the prospective Hybrid Goalie is ranked within 2 divisions of each other, the prospective Hybrid Goalies will either:
 - Be informed that they will not meet the criteria and must move to their designated position chosen at registration of ‘Goaltender or Player’ and will proceed in any further evaluations at that designated position.
 - OR
 - Continue to be evaluated at either or both position at the discretion of the Hybrid Placement Committee*.

* Further evaluations does not mean that the participant has been approved as a Hybrid Goalie

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5. After all evaluations have been completed, the Hybrid Placement Committee will inform the prospective Hybrid Goalie that either:

- They will not meet the criteria and must move to their designated position for the season.

OR

- They meet the criteria and will be approved as a Hybrid Goalie for the season.

Team Placement

1. The Hybrid Placement Committee will have sole discretion of Team Placement. Requests for team placement pertaining to a position specific evaluation will not be considered.
2. The Participant **WILL NOT** have input on team placement.
3. Hybrid Goalie evaluations results **WILL NOT** be shared.

Practice and Games

The Hybrid Placement Committee will determine the split for games and practices that a Hybrid goalie will dress as a goaltender and a skater.

- Generally, Hybrid goalies will participate in practices equally at each position.
- When placing a Hybrid Goalie on a team with a Full Time Goalie games will be split with 65% of games being played by the Full-Time Goalie and 35% of games played by the Hybrid Goalie

The Hybrid Placement Committee reserves the right to modify the practice/game split as appropriate in the circumstances.

Responsibilities of the Hybrid Goalie

1. Hybrid Goalies are required to attend practices and games as per the goaltender/skater schedule for practices and games as determined by the Hybrid Placement Committee and Head Coach.
2. Hybrid Goalies are required to **Commit** to playing both positions for the **Entire Season** unless otherwise approved by the BRBHA.

Responsibilities of the Head Coach

1. The Head Coach is required to keep a record, for practices and games, documenting each instance in which the Hybrid Goalie has dressed as a goaltender or a skater.
2. The Head Coach is required to maintain the goaltender/skater split as determined and outlined by the Hybrid Placement Committee.