



MK STORM JUNIOR ICE HOCKEY CLUB

Thank you for choosing to join MK Junior Ice Hockey Club (MKJIHC) home of MK Storm.

New Player Registration Pack **Season: 2011 - 2012**

This pack contains the information you need to help you complete the registration process and other useful and essential documents for you to keep, such as club rules.

Failure to note and abide by the rules contained herein could result in a Player and/or Parent/ Guardian being asked to leave the club.



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The Milton Keynes Junior Ice Hockey Club (MKJIHC) has been established to:

- Promote, govern and improve organised junior Ice Hockey in Milton Keynes and the surrounding areas.
- Foster among its members, parents, supporters, and teams a community and sportsmanlike spirit.
- Maintain and increase the interest of the game of Ice Hockey.
- Exercise general care, supervision and direction over the playing interests of the team and players.
- The club's guiding principles is that the interest of the youngsters comes first and that the club exists to provide support and a framework to both players and coaches.

In order to register there is lot of information that you need to know and a lot of paperwork needs to be completed. Your child will be only be able to start training once they are officially registered with the English Ice Hockey Association (EIHA) and you will be contacted once this is place.

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Registration

In order to register with MKJIHC and the English Ice Hockey Association (EIHA) as a new player, the player/parent/guardian must provide the Registrations Secretary with:

- Completed and signed EIHA registration form
- Completed and signed MKJIHC registration form
- Completed medical questionnaire
- Proof of date of birth (usually a photocopy of a Birth certificate or Passport)

If the player is not a British National and/or has been registered to play Ice Hockey in a different country previously, some additional paperwork is required that is not included in this pack. If you think this may apply to you, please speak to the Registrations Secretary who will be able to give you the extra forms.

The registration forms are forwarded to the English Ice Hockey Association, so the player may be registered with the EIHA. Once this process has been completed the Registration Secretary will notify the player/parent/guardian and the Team Manager.

The player is not be allowed to train or take part in any games until confirmation from the Registration Secretary.

Prices and Payments (Season 2011-2012)

All financial arrangements, whether paying by standing monthly or in full, must be in place before the player can start training with the club. Failure to pay any fees may result in a player being asked to leave the club.

English Ice Hockey Association fees (annual)

Annual membership registration with the English Ice Hockey Association (EIHA) is mandatory for all players the premium is set by the EIHA and depends on the player's age and level of competition. This annual fee covers official registration in to the EIHA league (allowing you to play in league matches) and insurance. This can be paid by cash or cheque made payable to "MKJIHC". Members joining the club before October pay the full annual membership fee. Members joining the club after 1st October may receive a discount at the discretion of the Executive Committee.

U10's, U12's, U14's, U16's	£55
U18's	£65

MK Storm Fees

These fees are used to pay for costs of running MK Storm Junior Ice Hockey Club. The Director of Coaching is the only person to receive a monthly fee from the club; all other officials of the club, including the committee, coaches and managers are volunteers. However, there are some costs, which unfortunately cannot be avoided. The most expensive cost for the club is "ice time" (we have to rent the ice rink on an hourly basis for all training sessions and games). There are many other costs too, and if you would like to see a full breakdown of the club expenses, please feel free to contact the club Treasurer.

MK Storm is a not for profit organisation and we set our monthly fees as low as possible in order to ensure we breakeven at the end of the year. Payments are made monthly for 12 months of the year and if you are joining mid way through a season, you will only pay for the remaining months from date of registration onwards.

The fees are for the training season that runs from the 2nd week of July until the last week of May and can be paid in full at the beginning of the season, half yearly or by monthly standing order. For ease the monthly standing order fees are divided into 12 monthly payments payable by the 5th of each month.

The Fee for training is £660 for the season £620 paid in advance or 12 monthly instalments of £55
Second Child £495 for the season £495 paid in advance or 12 monthly instalments of £41.25

Fee increases are set by the Executive Committee and are announced at the AGM in July each year. They come into affect from 1st July so please remember to amend your Standing Order each year! Please note payments continue throughout the holiday period as the fees are split evenly across the 12 months of year.

Please either use our Standing Order form or set up a standing order online with your bank using our bank account information on the Standing Order form.

For players who pay monthly there will be a settlement fee should they leave before all 12 payments are made. This is equal to one months fees divided by 12 multiplied by the number of months they've trained for.

Match Fees (subject to change)

Match fees will also be charged and must be paid prior to the game to enable a player to participate.

If a player receives very little ice time / or no ice time at all, a refund will be made at the discretion of the Team Coach and the Director of Junior Development.

U10's; U12's & U14's	£12
U16's	£14
U18's	£17

Debtors

Any player who leaves the club and owes money will not be released from MKJIHC until the debt is settled. In addition, any player who owes money is not able to re-register with MKJIHC for the next season until all debts are cleared.

MKJIHC Rules and Codes of Conduct

The MKJIHC Club Rules, Players Code of Conduct and Parents/Guardians Code of Conduct are available via www.mkstorm.com or on request and by registering with MKJIHC all players and parents/guardians agreed to abide with them.

MKJIHC Constitution and Policies

The MKJIHC Constitution, Child Protection Policy and Data Protection Policy are available via www.mkstorm.com or on request.

Equipment Requirements

Players are required to wear complete protective equipment as listed below and no player will be allowed either, onto the ice, or the player's bench area without complete protective equipment.

The minimum equipment required by the club is as follows:

- Helmet with face guard
- Throat guard (must be separate item)
- Shoulder pads (Body Armour)
- Elbow pads
- Hockey gloves
- Box or pelvic protector as appropriate
- Shorts
- Leg guards
- Socks
- Suspenders or Leg Tape (to hold up socks)
- Hockey skates
- Stick

Players purchasing new equipment should note that the preferred team colours are black helmet and black shorts. Plain black socks, as used by the MK Lightning away strip, will be required to be worn at junior home and away games.

Equipment Purchases

We recommend that you do not buy any Ice Hockey equipment without first discussing the club requirements, to ensure that you don't end up buying something that would not be suitable. We have lots of second hand equipment in stock and available for purchase within the club, usually available on Wednesday from 6.45.

Alternatively you can purchase any new equipment via Nick Poole poole19@btinternet.com at very competitive prices. In order to see the items available please visit <http://www.mk-lightning.com/hockey-shop/> but Nick is able to source many specific items on request too.

Additional/General Information

Training Times Season 2011/2012	
Tuesdays	
U10	17.15-18.00
U12	18.00-19.00
U14	19.00-20.00
U16	20.15-21.15
U18	21.15-22.15
Wednesdays	
LTP	18.15-18.45
U10	18.45-19.45
Goalie	18.45-19.45**
U16	19.45-20.45
Thursdays	
U14	18.30-19.30

Important Note to Parents

If your child is in the Under 10 or Under 12 age group, it is mandatory that you stay in the rink whilst they train or play in a match. Not only do they love the support and encouragement of their family but they may also need you if they come off the ice due to injury, equipment problems, or any other reason.

For all age groups: If for any reason you are unable to stay in the ice rink for the duration of a training session or match, you must inform a club official and ensure that your emergency contact details are up to date.

**** There is an additional fee for this session paid directly to the Netminder Coach.**

All times and age groups indicated in the table are guides and may be subject to change.

Home Games

Home games require a lot of organisation and planning and parents/guardians are expected to help out with general "off- duties during home games. For a home game to take place we are required to have the following off ice officials: Time keeper, Announcer, Penalty Box Attendants x2, Goal Judges x2. These roles are fulfilled by volunteer parents so please let us know if you have a preference! Please be aware that other game day jobs allocated by the team manager include D.J., shirt washing, raffle, fee collection, programme selling etc.

Car Parking

There are currently some free parking spaces in the car park at the rink end of the Leisure Plaza, but please note some of the ones further away from the rink are pay and display until after 6.00pm.

Away Games

Half of the games we play each season will be away matches. It is expected that if a player is selected that they will travel. If you have transport difficulties or would like to share the expense of travel, please speak to your team manager who will liaise with other parents to see if sharing may be arranged. We are required to have a minimum number of players on the bench and it is very disappointing and frustrating for everyone when players and parents give up their day to travel to an away fixture, only to find out that not enough players turn up and the match has to be forfeited!

Parent/Guardian Involvement

MK Storm Junior Ice Hockey Club is run entirely by volunteers. The majority of these are parents or guardians of children in the junior club, although we are lucky enough to still have a few volunteers with no children still in the club! We would be very grateful if you could please let us know if there are any areas in which you may be willing and able to help out with.