



U11 AA Tryout Flow

The following outlines the AA hockey tryout process for all U11 Sturgeon Sting eligible players. We hope this ensures a clear and consistent approach for all age categories and residency statuses.

1. Starting Level Options

- a. 2015 and 2016 players must start tryouts with the U11 AA Sturgeon Sting.
- b. Non-resident players without a AA team within their resident recruitment area can try out for the U11 AA Sturgeon Sting.

2. Tryout Fees

A \$200 tryout fee applies if you choose to start at the AA level with the Sturgeon Sting. All Sturgeon Sting tryout fees are non-refundable.

3. U11 Player Process

- i. Begin trying out with the Sturgeon Sting U11 AA program.
- ii. **Successful-** If you are successful, the process ends, and the Sting U11 AA head coach will contact you with your next practice time.

Unsuccessful-

Option #1- Second tryouts MAY be permitted in cases where specific circumstances dictate the need for player movement to improve the competitiveness of the U11 AA Sturgeon Sting and/or another U11 AA Team. Second tryouts are not guaranteed and will only be granted if it is determined that there is a need to enhance a team. Second tryouts will only be considered if:

- a. Prior to September 1, a U11 AA Host MHA declared to Hockey Alberta that they need players due to a low turn-out of eligible players registering for tryouts; or
- b. Prior to September 15, a U11 AA Host MHA declared to Hockey Alberta that they need players due to a low number of players attending tryouts that can play at the AA level; and
- c. The player(s) requesting a second tryout did not make the first team they tried out for and were provided with a Waiver from the team cutting them. If approved to attend a second tryout, you will



be provided with an Elite Waiver to attend those tryouts. If released from the second tryout, the player must return to the Sturgeon Hockey Club and will be placed into the tiered tryout pool for the SHC Mustangs (if tiered evaluations are still ongoing). If SHC Mustangs evaluations have completed, you will be placed on a SHC team based on past evaluations and club knowledge to play tiered hockey for the season (if not on the SHC waitlist).

4. Non-Resident Player Process

If outside AA draw zone and unsuccessful, return to home association.

Note: The Sturgeon Sting organization is committed to fair evaluations, transparent communication, and providing all players with the best opportunity to compete at the appropriate level.