

POLICY 9
COMPETITIVE PROGRAMS (A AND AA)

9.1 A/AA Program Structuring

- 9.1.1 In accordance with Ringette Canada's long-term athlete development guidelines, SRA introduces A and AA in U14.
- 9.1.2 SRA will use a tryout process for the selection of A and AA teams in U14, U16, and U19 as set out in **Policy 5**.
- 9.1.3 If there will be an A and AA team in an age division, all players interested in either of these teams will participate in separate tryouts based on registration numbers.
- 9.1.4 Any athletes wanting to try out for A and/or AA teams will pay a one-time, non-refundable fee of \$100.00 at the time of registration for these tryouts.

9.2 Evaluation Results and Team Selection

- 9.2.1 Coaches are required to take the top 65% of evaluated skaters based on their allowable or minimum roster size, rounded down to the nearest player. Coaches can use their discretion to fill the remaining roster spots. Discretionary selections can include players who were unable to participate in tryouts (e.g. due to injury, illness or other reason deemed valid by SRA).
- 9.2.2 If two or more goalies try out but the team, coaches shall have discretion over which one(s) to select, provided their overall evaluation scores are within 1 point of each other. If the spread is greater than 1 point, coaches must select the higher ranked goalie(s).
- 9.2.3 In years where there is a AA team but no A team (stand-alone or double-carded/travelling) in the U14, U16 or U19 divisions, and two or more goalies are trying out for the AA team, coaches will be required to select two goalies, provided that both goalies have an overall score of 7.50 or higher on a scale of 0 to 10. If the second goalie's rating is less than 7.50 but is 7.00 or higher, coaches may still select the goalie if they deem them skilled enough to play at the AA level.
- 9.2.4 Coaches must finalize their roster within 48 hours of the last tryout ice time. Once finalized, coaches are to email the roster to the Office Administrator and Competitive Coordinator.
- 9.2.5 Once coaches have selected their team, they can notify players in person or by phone or e-mail.