



AIRDRIE MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

REQUEST FOR QUOTE

Paid Goaltending Evaluators for U11 – U18 AA/Competitive, Travel and
City Streams



1.0 OVERVIEW

The Airdrie Minor Hockey Association (AMHA) is a not-for-profit minor hockey organization located in the city of Airdrie, Alberta. AMHA promotes youth minor hockey as well as community involvement. There are over 1700 registered athletes, spanning over 100 minor hockey teams from U7 to U18 age groups. AMHA is the second largest minor hockey association in Alberta.

AMHA offers the following streams:

- Elite AAA and AA (South Central Alberta Hockey League - SCAHL);
- Competitive Travel (Central Alberta Hockey League - CAHL);
- City House League (Rockies Hockey League - RHL); and
- Recreation.

2.0 REQUEST FOR QUOTE (RFQ)

2.1 OBJECTIVE

AMHA is soliciting bids to establish a vendor contract for the supply of qualified, independent, and objective goaltending evaluators along with any necessary evaluation equipment for the following streams:

- 1) U11 (previously Atom) Competitive Travel and City;
- 2) U13 (previously Peewee) AA and Competitive Travel and City;
- 3) U15 (previously Bantam) AA and Competitive Travel and City; and
- 4) U18 (previously Midget) AA and Competitive Travel and City.

AMHA's intent is to provide a fair and impartial assessment of goaltender candidates' total hockey skills during the available evaluation ice sessions to ensure that candidates have a reasonable opportunity of being assigned to a team commensurate to their skill level. Furthermore, AMHA is intent on doing this through a professional and defensible process.

2.2 LENGTH OF CONTRACT

The length of the contract will be for one (1) year. However, AMHA may offer to extend the contract to a maximum of three years based on an objective post evaluation assessment conducted by AMHA.



2.3 COMMUNICATION

All inquiries are to be directed to the attention of:

Jim Gamlin
AMHA Goalie Development Committee
Telephone: 403-966-1819
jrgamlin@shaw.ca

And / or:

The AMHA office can be contacted at
Email: officeadmin@airdriehockey.com

3.0 QUOTE SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

3.1 SUBMISSION DEADLINE

The deadline for quote submissions is: **June 12, 2020 at 1200 noon.**

3.2 DELIVERY OF QUOTE

Vendors will submit their submission to the AMHA by the deadline. The submission will be accepted in electronic format. Please send your submission to both jrgamlin@shaw.ca and info@airdriehockey.com.

3.3 PRESENTATIONS

Vendors may be required to formally present their submission to the AMHA Goalie Development Committee between June 15, 2020 and June 19, 2020 in Airdrie, Alberta, at a time, venue and format to be determined (subject to group gathering stipulations and / or the feasibility of video / streaming availability). Vendors will be contacted to arrange for agreeable times, dates and format.

3.4 AWARDING OF CONTRACT

Final selection of the successful vendor will consider (in no particular order):

- Service quality;
- Goaltending expertise;



- Availability;
- Evaluation experience;
- Evaluation philosophy; and
- Overall cost.

Vendor selection will **not** necessarily be based on the lowest price offered.

4.0 EVALUATION PROCESS

4.1 ON ICE EVALUATION SESSIONS

Based on the 2019 goaltender evaluations, AMHA anticipates a total goaltender enrollment of approximately ninety goaltenders with an approximate breakdown of:

- 35 % U11 participants
- 25 % U13 participation
- 15 % U15 participation
- 25 % U18 participation

The AMHA goaltender evaluation system is comprised of skill sessions and scrimmage sessions. The goaltender evaluation system starts in early September and runs until the end of September. Sessions are scheduled in the late afternoon / evening on weekdays and are scheduled all day / evening on weekends. There is usually a one week break in the goaltender evaluation schedule between the end of the skill sessions and the commencement of the scrimmage sessions.

Goaltender skill sessions do not usually conflict with other goaltender skill sessions. However, two or more scrimmage sessions may occur at the same time, in different locations. Vendors are required to accommodate multiple scrimmage sessions.

The AMHA goaltending evaluation system allows for the following ice sessions (skates) per age group.

- Skate #1: 1.5 hours Skill Evaluation (No Time Trials)
- Skate #2: 1.5 hours Skill Evaluation (No Time Trials)

Based on the 2019 goaltender evaluations there was a total of 13 (skill) sessions.

Each skate session will be comprised of no more than 12 goalies. In some cases different age groups will be combined within a skate session due to the number of goaltenders registered within the age groups. For instance, last year U18 and U15 goaltenders were evaluated together for the skill skates.



Two skill skate sessions of 1.5 hours per age group each have been scheduled. However, your submission to this RFQ may also include options on the Skill Evaluation component (number of sessions / time length of sessions / number of participants / etc.)

- Skate #3: 1.0 hour Game Play (scrimmage)
- Skate #4: 1.0 hour Game Play (scrimmage)
- Skate #5: 1.0 hour Game Play (scrimmage)
- Skate #6: 1.0 hour Game Play (scrimmage)

Goaltenders are evaluated in their game play during the player evaluation scrimmages. The scrimmage sessions are played with a five on five, continuous time, limited stoppage format.

Each scrimmage session will be comprised of no more than 5 goaltenders.

Goaltenders will be rotated into the scrimmage from the penalty box by AMHA volunteers based on a rotation format to ensure each goaltender obtains equal ice time at both ends of the rink and against all participating players.

Based on the 2019 goaltender evaluations there was a total of 47 (scrimmage) sessions.

- 4.2 SKATE #1 AND #2 EXAMPLE SCHEDULE (From the 2019 Goaltender Evaluations). Please note this was a pre-evaluation schedule and several changes took place prior to and during the evaluation process.

<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>START</u>	<u>END</u>	<u>GROUP</u>
Genesis Shane	03-Sep	5:00 PM	6:30 PM	#1 U11
Genesis Shane	03-Sep	6:45 PM	8:15 PM	#2 U11
Genesis Rocky	03-Sep	4:45 PM	6:15 PM	#1 U13
Genesis Rocky	03-Sep	6:30 PM	8:00 PM	#2 U13
Genesis Shane	04-Sep	5:00 PM	6:30 PM	#3 U11
Genesis Shane	04-Sep	6:45 PM	8:15 PM	#1 U11
Genesis Rocky	04-Sep	4:45 PM	6:15 PM	#1 U13
Genesis Rocky	04-Sep	6:30 PM	8:00 PM	#2 U13
Ron Ebb Blue	08-Sep	9:00 AM	10:30 AM	#1 U18 / U15
Ron Ebb Blue	08-Sep	10:45 AM	12:15 PM	#2 U18 / U15
Ron Ebb Blue	09-Sep	5:00 PM	6:30 PM	#1 U18 / U15
Ron Ebb Blue	09-Sep	6:45 PM	8:15 PM	#2 U18 / U15
Genesis Rocky	09-Sep	4:45 PM	6:15 PM	#2 U11
Genesis Rocky	10-Sep	4:45 PM	6:15 PM	#3 U11



4.4 SCRIMMAGE MODEL (Skaters, non Goaltenders)

In each age group, using Time Trial data, all skaters will be ranked top to bottom, based on his/her position (Forward or Defence). From this ranking, groups of approximately 30 skaters (18 Forwards and 12 Defence) will make up evaluation skate groups.

Group A = top 18 Forwards and 12 Defence.

Group B = next 18 Forwards and 12 Defence.

Group C and on = same concept.

For each evaluation scrimmage, 'equivalent' teams will be predetermined. At the conclusion of each evaluation scrimmage, the 3 lowest ranked Forwards and 2 lowest ranked Defence from Group A will drop to Group B and the top ranked skaters (3 Forwards and 2 Defence) from Group B will rise to Group A for the next scrimmage. The same concept will apply to all groups.

Skaters will have 3-4 evaluation scrimmages to determine placement for team creation. For the final evaluation scrimmage, pre-determined players displaying higher skill level may be asked not to participate in order to allow proper evaluation of other players.

SCRIMMAGE MODEL (Inclusion of Goaltenders)

The initial placement of each goaltending candidate in a particular group should be based on the evaluation data obtained during Skate #1 and Skate #2. (Skill Evaluation) For example, the top 2 to 5 ranked U15 goaltenders after Skate #1 and Skate #2 would be placed in the A Group of skaters to start.

At the conclusion of each age group scrimmage skate, the 1 or 2 lowest ranked goaltenders from Group A will drop to Group B and the 1 or 2 top ranked goaltenders from Group B will rise to Group A for the next scrimmage. The same concept will apply to all groups.

4.5 GAME PLAY EXAMPLE SCHEDULE (From the 2019 Goaltender Evaluations). Please note this was a pre-evaluation schedule and several changes took place prior to and during the evaluation process.

<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>START TIME</u>	<u>END TIME</u>
Ron Ebb Gold	15-Sep	8:00 AM	9:00 AM
Ron Ebb Gold	15-Sep	9:15 AM	10:15 AM
Ron Ebb Gold	15-Sep	10:30 AM	11:30 AM
Ron Ebb Gold	15-Sep	11:45 AM	12:45 AM
Ron Ebb Gold	15-Sep	1:00 PM	2:00 PM



Ron Ebb Gold	16-Sep	4:15 PM	5:15 PM
Ron Ebb Gold	16-Sep	5:30 PM	6:30 PM
Ron Ebb Gold	16-Sep	6:45 PM	7:45 PM
Ron Ebb Gold	17-Sep	5:15 PM	6:15 PM
Ron Ebb Gold	17-Sep	6:30 PM	7:30 PM
Ron Ebb Gold	18-Sep	4:15 PM	5:15 PM
Ron Ebb Gold	18-Sep	5:30 PM	6:30 PM
Ron Ebb Gold	18-Sep	6:45 PM	7:45 PM
Ron Ebb Gold	19-Sep	5:15 PM	6:15 PM
Ron Ebb Gold	19-Sep	6:30 PM	7:30 PM
Ron Ebb Blue	16-Sep	4:30 PM	5:30 PM
Ron Ebb Blue	16-Sep	5:45 PM	6:45 PM
Genesis Shane	17-Sep	5:30 PM	6:30 PM
Genesis Shane	17-Sep	6:45 PM	7:45 PM
Ron Ebb Blue	18-Sep	5:15 PM	6:15 PM
Ron Ebb Blue	18-Sep	6:30 PM	7:30 PM
Ron Ebb Blue	19-Sep	5:00 PM	6:00 PM
Ron Ebb Blue	19-Sep	6:15 PM	7:15 PM
Ron Ebb Gold	21-Sep	9:15 AM	10:15 AM
Ron Ebb Gold	21-Sep	10:30 AM	11:30 AM
Ron Ebb Gold	21-Sep	11:45 AM	12:45 PM
Ron Ebb Gold	21-Sep	1:00 PM	2:00 PM
Ron Ebb Blue	15-Sep	6:00 PM	7:00 PM
Ron Ebb Blue	15-Sep	7:15 PM	8:15 PM
Ron Ebb Blue	15-Sep	8:30 PM	9:30 PM
Genesis Shane	16-Sep	5:30 PM	6:30 PM
Genesis Shane	16-Sep	6:45 PM	7:45 PM
Genesis Shane	16-Sep	8:00 PM	9:00 PM
Ron Ebb Blue	17-Sep	5:00 PM	6:00 PM
Ron Ebb Blue	17-Sep	6:15 PM	7:15 PM
Ron Ebb Blue	17-Sep	7:30 PM	8:30 PM
Ron Ebb Gold	21-Sep	2:15 PM	3:15 PM
Ron Ebb Gold	21-Sep	3:30 PM	4:30 PM
Ron Ebb Gold	21-Sep	4:45 PM	5:45 PM
Ron Ebb Blue	23-Sep	6:00 PM	7:00 PM
Ron Ebb Blue	23-Sep	7:15 PM	8:15 P
Ron Ebb Blue	23-Sep	8:30 PM	9:30 PM
Ron Ebb Gold	24-Sep	6:00 PM	7:00 PM
Ron Ebb Gold	24-Sep	7:15 PM	8:15 PM
Ron Ebb Gold	24-Sep	8:30 PM	9:30 PM

5.0 RFQ SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS



The following items must be included in the RFQ submission:

1. Vendor's overall goaltender evaluation philosophy. Vendor's goaltender evaluation philosophy as it relates to skill sessions and scrimmage sessions.
2. Vendor's goaltender evaluation methodology especially as it relates to the skill sessions (the mechanism and format that will be utilized to evaluate and rank-order AMHA goaltenders prior to the scrimmage sessions), and / or the manner in which the vendor would conduct the skill sessions.
 - Please note that AMHA is committed to providing as much information to goaltending candidates as possible. This may include; a list and description of the drills that will be run during the skill sessions; a parent / goaltender participant letter and / or a pre evaluation meeting, etc.
 - It is essential that the complexity of any on ice drill is commensurate with the age group of the participants being evaluated and is not simply a drill that tests the participant's memory recall.
 - Drills at each on-ice station must be explained and demonstrated to each group of candidates in an age appropriate manner so that the candidates can understand the drill expectations.
 - Skill drills are **NOT** to be comprised of any timed process.
3. Vendor's goaltender evaluation criterion/weighting for each activity evaluated by age group.
4. The experience, skills, abilities and knowledge the vendor and the vendor's staff has, as it relates to goaltending and goaltender evaluations.
5. Number of on-ice and/or off-ice evaluators proposed for each ice time.
6. Vendor's requirements for volunteer shooters and / or equipment / aids so that all necessary arrangements can be made by AMHA.
7. Vendor's proposal to assist AMHA with any grievances arising from the evaluation process.
8. A proposed budget that outlines the cost per each skill session and each scrimmage session utilizing the following criteria;
 - Two 1.5 hour skill sessions that involves 10-12 goaltenders. And, if the vendor chooses, a manner and cost of how they would propose to conduct the skill sessions.
 - Four 1 hour scrimmage sessions that involves 5 goaltenders.



6.0 TIMETABLE

Date	Deadline	Action
May 25, 2020		Issue RFQ to Vendors
June 12th, 2020	June 12th, 2020 @ 12:00pm	Quote Submissions
June 16 to 19 , 2020		Proposal Presentations (pending group gathering stipulations and / or video conferencing availability)
June 22, 2020		Award Notification

Please note that the above dates are subject to change at the sole discretion of AMHA and are to be used as a guide only.

AMHA would like to thank all participating vendors for their time and consideration.

If you have any questions and / or concerns regarding this RFQ and / or your submission, please contact Jim Gamlin, AMHA Goalie Development Coordinator, at 403 966 1819, email jrgamlin@shaw.ca.

Thanks very much,

Jim Gamlin
AMHA Goalie Development Coordinator