



**TO ALL MALE ATHLETES born in 1993-1994**  
**Field Hockey BC wishes to announce trials for the:**  
**2011 Under 18 BC Team**

FHBC will be selecting 1 team of 16 athletes to represent BC at the following events:

Under 18 Blue:

- U18 National Championships July 20-24 in Calgary

**Please see the Team BC Pathway for information on the training schedule and financial commitments.**

**Trials:**

Friday, May 13

6:30pm-9:00pm, Eric Hamber

Canadian Beep Test & Skills Assessment

Saturday, May 14

7:00am-9:00am, UBC

Skills & Mini Games

4:30pm-6:30pm, UBC

Games

**Trial Fee: \$10 (Payable in cash at the trial)**

**TRIAL REGISTRATION LINK:**

<https://www.fieldhockeybc.ca/fhbc/provincials.php/>

You will need your FHBC member number to complete the trial registration; once your registration is complete you will receive an automatic email confirmation.

Athletes must bring their **medical waiver/code of conduct form**, which is part of the registration process to the trial. Athletes must be registered as a current member of Field Hockey BC, and have an Individual Junior Membership (\$43), in order to register for the BC Team trials.

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**Eligibility:** Athletes must participate in Team BC Trials (see Attendance Policy below). Athletes must be born in 1993-1994\*\*\* to be eligible for selection to the U18 Team BC Program. All athletes must register online for the Provincial Trials. **PLEASE DO NOT WALK ON to trials, you MUST REGISTER** for the trials : <https://www.fieldhockeybc.ca/fhbc/provincials.php/>

### **Minimum Entry Level Fitness Test Score:**

Field Players - 9.0 on Canadian Beep Test  
Goalkeepers - 7.0 on Canadian Beep Test

### **Trial Attendance:**

Trial attendance is mandatory. If for any of the following reasons, an athlete cannot attend trials, the parent and athlete must contact the High Performance Director by the registration deadline in order to be considered for selection. If the selection committee does not have a reason for non-attendance the athlete will not be selected to the squad.

Injury\* or sickness, family emergency  
Academic (school trip or exam that conflicts with trials)  
Provincial level or High Performance Sport Competition (excluding practice)

\*In the case of an injury, athletes must provide a doctor's or physiotherapist's note at trials indicating the athlete's medical condition and the potential return to play date. In this case, the athlete's evaluation from the previous year's elite and provincial program will be considered. However, if the athlete does not attend either trial, there is no guarantee they will be selected to the squad.

### **\*\*\*Eligibility Notes and Older Age Group Policy:**

In rare circumstances, athletes may apply to the High Performance Committee to be considered for selection in an older age category. However the athlete must be ranked within the top tier in the province at the higher age group. For example, a grade 10 athlete who wishes to play in the Under 18 Team BC age group must be ranked high on their U16 provincial team from the previous summer. The current season's evaluation will also be considered. The decision will go to the High Performance Committee for consideration and the athlete and parent will be contacted. This is an important process as trialing in an older age group has an impact on playing opportunities for other players and on the program as a whole. The Committee and selectors will prioritize what is best for the athlete's development. **This process needs to take place prior to U18 Team BC trials (by Wednesday, May 11). We may ask younger prospects to attend one U18 session, and then the remainder U16 sessions. This decision will be made once we see the volume of requests, and the number of registrations in each age category.**



### **Selection Process**

BC coaches, FHBC staff, and BC coaches carry out the selections. The selection committee will select one team of athletes plus reserve players. The format is designed by FHBC professional staff and implemented by the Team B.C. coaches and volunteers. The format includes the following components:

Warm-up

Fitness Testing

Skills Drills

Decision making in outnumbered situations

Small games (3v3, 4v4 and 5v5)

Emphasis for selection is based on basic technical skills, decision making under pressure, off-ball movement, athletic ability, offensive and defensive skills, and ball control.

The selection committee does not have access to rankings from previous years, or from club coaches. **The athlete evaluations are based on trial performance.**

The selection committee always consists of the following:

Head Selector

Team B.C. Head Coach

2 Experienced BC Selectors

The on-field staff often consists of FHBC staff, volunteer parent coaches and BC Coaches not experienced in team selection.