



USA HOCKEY PACIFIC DISTRICT PLAYER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

The Pacific District, in accordance with USA Hockey Guidelines, has established a procedure for selecting players to attend the various player development camps and festivals sponsored by USA Hockey. Such guidelines are subject to change as determined by the Pacific District Board of Directors. Any questions regarding the tryout process should first be directed to the Affiliate of which the player is a member.

USA Hockey Pacific District shall appoint a Boys Player Development Administrator and a Girls Player Development Administrator. The administrators shall be responsible for coordinating and administering the District Player Development Camps. The duties of the Administrators shall include but are not limited to the following:

1. Recommend development camp dates and locations;
2. Distribute information to Affiliate Presidents and other District Personnel as appropriate;
3. Solicit and recommend candidates for evaluator, head coach, assistant coach, and team leader for the various development camps and festivals;
4. Supervise the overall operation of player development camps;
5. Resolve any disputes between the evaluation team in the selection process;
6. Notify players of their selection to a USA Hockey National Player Development Camp or Team;
7. Any further duties that may be relevant to USA Hockey and Pacific District Player Development.

Each affiliate in the Pacific District shall adhere to the following dates and deadlines. Information shall be submitted by the affiliate to the Pacific District Player Development Administrator on an annual basis:

Affiliate Boys and Girls Player Development Personnel Contact Submission	September 1
Affiliate Boys and Girls Player Development Camp Dates & Location Submission	November 1
Affiliate Boys and Girls Development Nominee, Injury Submission & Affiliate Payment Due based on District Allocations – Select 14, 15, 16, & 17	February 1
Affiliate Boys Player Development Personnel Submission of Pacific District Player Development Camp Personnel	February 10
Affiliate Boys Player Development Nominee & Injury Submissions based on District Allocations – Select 14	April 15

Purpose: The goal of the Pacific District Player Development Camps (“District Camps”) is to identify and select the most competitive boys and girls ages 14, 15, 16, & 17, to represent the Pacific District (“District”) at the USA Hockey National Player Development Camps, the USA Hockey Select 14 Western Regional High Performance Camp, girls multi-district camp and such other camps or festivals as may be approved by the Pacific District Board of Directors.

Player Eligibility: To be eligible to participate in the Affiliate Player Development Camps and District Player Development Camps, all players shall meet United States citizenship requirements as defined by USA Hockey. Participants shall meet citizenship requirements prior to the camps’ registration deadline. In addition, the permanent residence of an eligible player must be in one of the USA Hockey Pacific District Affiliates. Eligible players shall attend

the Affiliate Player Development Tryout Camps in the Affiliate in which they are playing and shall participate in the tryout camp of only one Pacific District Affiliate.

District/Multi-District Player Development Camp Allocations: The Pacific District Player Development Administrators shall establish allocations (“Allocations”) for each Affiliate and shall provide the Allocations to the Affiliates at the fall Pacific District Board Meeting.

Affiliate Player Development Tryout Camps: Each Affiliate is required to conduct a tryout camp, at every age level for which USA Hockey hosts a National Player Development Camp as well a Multi-District Player Development Camp, to evaluate and select players who will advance to the Pacific District Player Development Camp(s), Girls Multi-District Player Development Camp, and Western Regional Select 14 High Performance Camp. The format of the Affiliate Player Development Tryout Camps is to be presented to the Pacific District Board at its fall meeting. The Affiliate Player Development Tryout Camps shall occur no later than the last full weekend in January. With prior approval from the Pacific District Player Development Administrators, Affiliates may conduct combined camps. In conducting the Affiliate Player Development Tryout Camps, the Affiliates shall use the registration software approved by USA Hockey for the National Player Development Camps.

Affiliate Selections: Each Affiliate shall, based on their individual allocations, email a list of nominated players with numerical ranking selected to advance to the Pacific District Boys Player Development Camp, Girls Multi-District Player Development Camp, and Western Regional Select 14 High Performance Camp, including alternates (“Selection List”) to the Pacific District Player Development Administrators no later than February 1 for Select 15, 16, & 17 age levels; and no later than April 15 for Select 14 age levels.

If an Affiliate fails to meet the deadlines of player nominations to the Pacific District Player Development Administrators, the Affiliate shall then forfeit their allocations to the Pacific District Player Development Administrators in which he/she may nominate players within the Pacific District on an At-Large basis at his/her discretion. Additionally, if an Affiliate nominates a player on their Selection List that does not meet Pacific District Handbook requirements, that affiliate shall forfeit their allocation to the Pacific District Player Development Administrators for lack of due diligence and be required to notify the player in question.

Injured players who are not able to attend the Affiliate Player Development Tryout Camps in the Affiliate in which they play in are to be evaluated by that Affiliate to be included or excluded from that Affiliate’s Selection List. Any player that resides in a Pacific District Affiliate, but plays in another USA Hockey Affiliate or District, other than the Pacific District, or in another country, shall be evaluated by the Affiliate in which they reside to be included or excluded from that Affiliates’ Selection List. The Affiliate shall also provide the Pacific District Player Development Administrators a list of injured players and/or players playing elsewhere that were not included in the Selection List.

At-Large Selections: The Pacific District Player Development Administrators shall have the ability to identify, and select for nomination to the Boys Pacific District Player Development Camp, Girls Multi-District Player Development Camp and Western Regional Select 14 High Performance Camp, qualified at-large candidates who otherwise were not included in the Affiliates’ Nomination Lists.

Pacific District Player Development Camps: The Pacific District shall conduct a player development tryout camp, at the Select 15, 16 & 17 age levels for boys, and Select 15, 16 & 17 age levels for girls for which USA Hockey hosts a national player development camp, to evaluate and select players who will advance to the USA Hockey Player Development Camps. The Pacific District Player Development Camps shall occur no later than the third full weekend of May.

In conducting the Pacific District Player Development Camps, the Affiliates, shall use the registration software approved by USA Hockey for the national player development camps.

Each Affiliate shall provide one evaluator (“Evaluator”) per age level. The Pacific District Player Development Administrators may appoint up to four (4) additional Evaluators per camp, per age level, from the USA Hockey National Office, USNDTP, professional, collegiate, or junior level coaches. The Pacific District Player Development Administrators, or his/her designee shall be the chair of each evaluation age group. Each Affiliate shall also provide the following Pacific District Player Development Camp staff:

- Boys Player Development Camp: one (1) team leader per each age group from Alaska, California, and Washington; and one (1) team leader from Nevada and Oregon, or when all positions are filled by the Boys Player Development Administrator.
- Girls Multi-District Player Development Camp: two (2) coaches each from Alaska, California, Nevada, Oregon, and Washington. Additional support staff as determined by the Girls Pacific District Player Development Administrator.
- All Affiliate Camp Personnel must have proper background screening and required SafeSport Certifications prior to camp nomination by their Affiliate Association.

Should an Affiliate fail to provide an Evaluator, coach, or team leader, the Pacific District Player Development Administrators may fill such vacancies as needed. Affiliate Player Development Personnel shall designate Pacific District Camp Personnel with the final authorization by the Affiliate Presidents. Nominated Affiliate Personnel shall reside in the Pacific District.

Pacific District Selections: The Pacific District Evaluation Teams shall prepare a list of players that are nominated to advance to the USA Hockey National Player Development Camps, including alternates, based on District Allocations provided by USA Hockey. The decision of the Evaluation Team is final and no changes can be made to the list. The Pacific District Evaluation Team may also select additional players to attend such other development camps & festivals as may be approved by USA Hockey’s Pacific District.

Injured candidates and candidates playing outside the Pacific District, who are not able to attend an Affiliate Player Development Camp may request a direct nomination to the Pacific District Player Development Camp. The Pacific District Player Development Administrators will assist candidates playing outside the Pacific District to participate in a tryout in the district or affiliate where he/she is playing that season. This evaluation will be used in the Pacific District Player Development Camp Selection Process. There is no guarantee that the injured candidate playing outside the Pacific District will be given a District spot to the USA Hockey Player Development Camps regardless of his/her prior years’ performance. Additionally, consideration will be given to any Affiliate recommendation provided for such a candidate.

Western Regional Select 14 High Performance Camp: In cooperation with the Rocky Mountain, Northern Plains, and Pacific Districts, USA Hockey promotes multi-district player development camps to fulfill the absence of a USA Hockey Select 14 Boys’ National Player Development Camp. This arena provides elite level players an opportunity to compete and develop against the best players in the western United States.

The Boys Pacific District Player Development Administrator shall determine allocations for each state/affiliate for the Western Regional Select 14 High Performance Camp (“WR14”). Additional allocations may be provided to the Pacific District should other Districts return unused allocations.

The Boys Pacific District Player Development Administrator shall select a minimum of four (4) coaches from the Pacific District for the WR14 Camp with concurrence of the WR14 Camp Director. All nominated coaches shall be at a minimum CEP Level IV for at least three (3)

years and/or may have junior, collegiate, or professional level coaching experience. Affiliates shall verify all coaching candidates be screened through their Affiliate screening program. It is desirable to have college or junior level coaches; however, at a minimum the nominated coach should be a U16 Tier 1 for at least three (3) years.

A minimum of four (4) team leaders shall be selected from the Pacific District to assist with the WR 14 Camp by the Boys Pacific District Player Development Administrator with the concurrence of the WR14 Camp Director. All nominated team leaders must be screened and Safe Sport certified through their Affiliate's screening program.

Pacific District Camp Registration Policy: Affiliate nominees will be sent invitations electronically from the Pacific District Player Development Administrators. Once the invitation is received, nominees have 30 days to pay and register online for the Pacific District Player Development Camps. If nominees fail to register in a timely manner they will lose their spot to an alternate nominee. Alternate nominees have 14 days following their invitation to register and pay for the District Camp.

Pacific District Camp Cancellations: Under the Pacific District Player Development Camp, cancellations received on or before March 15 will receive a cash refund less a \$100 administration fee. After March 15, no refund will be issued except for misfortune, injury, or illness at the discretion of the Pacific District Player Development Administrators. Under the Western Regional Select 14 High Performance Camp, cancellations received on or before May 15 will receive a cash refund less a \$100 administration fee. After May 15, no refund will be issued except for misfortune, injury, or illness.

A doctor's note may be required for injury or illness. The Pacific District Player Development Administrators may consider a credit under these circumstances and reserves the right to make the final decision in this regard. Affiliate Player Development Tryout Camp cancellations are subject to the respective Affiliate cancellation policy.

Pacific District Player Development Camp Fees: Affiliates shall contribute \$50.00/per allocated position for the Select 15, 16, & 17 Pacific District Boys Player Development Camps and for the Select 15, 16 & 17 Pacific District Girls Player Development Camps due February 1 of the calendar year. Affiliates shall make checks payable to: USA Hockey Pacific District. These camp fees are non-refundable and non-transferable.

Pacific District Camp Scouting Policy: To all scouts, family advisors, coaches - contact with players during the Pacific District Player Development Camps & Western Regional Select 14 High Performance Camp is strictly forbidden. The Pacific District shall produce a Scout Book, for purchase, with the players' contact information. The Pacific District and USA Hockey sincerely hope that several of our players will draw interest from your program. However, during our camps, the players have a demanding schedule and participate in a very competitive environment. Please allow them to maintain their focus on the task at hand. The Pacific District and USA Hockey appreciate your cooperation with this policy.

Please understand that a violation of this policy can result in removal from the facility.