



## **2026 TEAM AND PLAYER ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

### **TEAM CLASSIFICATIONS**

- CLASSIC TEAM –** An organization in which a minimum of 70% of the roster consists of citizens of the country being represented and that complies with all Classic Team Eligibility Requirements.
- HERITAGE TEAM –** An organization whose players primarily reside in the United States or Canada and that complies with all Heritage Team Eligibility Requirements.

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### **CLASSIC TEAM ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

#### **MEN'S DIV. I, MEN'S DIV. II, MEN'S SENIOR DIV. (35+), WOMEN'S DIV. I, WOMEN'S DIV. II, U18, U16, U14, U12 DIVISIONS**

- MINIMUM 70% OF THE TEAM'S ROSTER MUST BE CITIZENS OF THE COUNTRY THEY ARE PLAYING FOR AND MUST HAVE AT LEAST ONE PARENT BORN IN THE COUNTRY. (PLAYER DOES NOT HAVE TO BE BORN IN THE COUNTRY AND CAN HAVE DUAL CITIZENSHIP)
- MAXIMUM 20% OF THE TEAM'S ROSTER CAN HAVE AT LEAST ONE PARENT BORN IN THE COUNTRY. (PLAYER DOES NOT HAVE TO BE A CITIZEN)
- MAXIMUM 10% OF THE TEAM'S ROSTER CAN HAVE AT LEAST ONE GRANDPARENT BORN IN THE COUNTRY. (PLAYER DOES NOT HAVE TO BE A CITIZEN)

### **HERITAGE TEAM ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

#### **MEN'S DIV. I, MEN'S DIV. II, MEN'S SENIOR DIV. (35+), WOMEN'S DIV. I, WOMEN'S DIV. II, U18, U16, U14, U12 DIVISIONS**

- MINIMUM 15% OF THE TEAM'S ROSTER MUST BE CITIZENS OF THE COUNTRY OR TERRITORY THEY ARE PLAYING FOR OR HAVE AT LEAST ONE PARENT BORN IN THE COUNTRY OR TERRITORY. (PLAYER DOES NOT HAVE TO BE BORN IN THE COUNTRY AND CAN HAVE DUAL CITIZENSHIP)
- MAXIMUM 85% OF THE TEAM'S ROSTER MUST HAVE AT LEAST ONE GRANDPARENT BORN IN THE COUNTRY OR TERRITORY. (PLAYER DOES NOT HAVE TO BE A CITIZEN)

## U18, U16, U14, U12 DIVISIONS

**YOUTH LEGACY DIVISION** – Reserved for Single-A level Classic and Heritage teams composed exclusively of players competing at or below the Single-A level.

**YOUTH SELECT DIVISION** – Reserved for AA and AAA level Classic and Heritage teams made up exclusively of AA and AAA level players.

As part of the roster submission process, all youth players competing in North America will be required to provide written confirmation **from the organization the player competed with** during the 2025–26 season, verifying the team and level of play, **as well as written confirmation from the organization the player will compete with** during the 2026–27 season. For clarity, confirmation cannot be provided by the team or organization participating in the Amerigol Latam Cup.

### USA Hockey 2025-26 Season Age Classifications (USA Hockey Playing Season: September 1, 2025 through August 31, 2026)

YEAR	AGE	LEVEL
2007	18	18 & Under
2008	17	18 & Under
2009	16	16 & Under
2010	15	16 & Under
2011	14	14 & Under
2012	13	14 & Under
2013	12	12 & Under
2014	11	12 & Under

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### PROFESSIONAL PLAYER ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- **\*CURRENT PROFESSIONAL PLAYERS ARE NOT PERMITTED TO PARTICIPATE. \***
- FORMER PROFESSIONAL PLAYERS THAT HAVE NOT PLAYED PROFESSIONALLY FOR A MINIMUM OF TWO YEARS ARE PERMITTED TO PARTICIPATE.

### PROFESSIONAL LEAGUES:

National Hockey League (NHL)	American Hockey League (AHL)
East Coast Hockey League (ECHL)	Southern Professional Hockey League (SPHL)
Federal Prospects Hockey League (FPHL)	CHL Major Junior
Ontario Hockey League (OHL)	Western Hockey League (WHL)
U Sports Hockey	National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Div. I
Deutsche Eishockey Liga (DEL)	Kontinental Hockey League (KHL)
SHL (Swedish Hockey League)	Czech Extraliga (Tipsport Extraliga)
Swiss National League (NL)	France League Magnus
Finland Liiga	

AMERIGOL RESERVES THE RIGHT TO DESIGNATE ADDITIONAL LEAGUES AS PROFESSIONAL, BEYOND THOSE ALREADY LISTED.

\* MEN'S DIV. I AND WOMEN'S DIV. I **CLASSIC TEAMS** ARE PERMITTED TO HAVE UP TO TWO (2) PLAYERS CURRENTLY ROSTERED ON AN NCAA DIV. I OR U-SPORTS TEAM.

WHEN SUBMITTING THE ROSTER, TEAM'S MUST INCLUDE SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION FOR ANY FORMER PRO PLAYER THAT HAS NOT PLAYED PROFESSIONALLY FOR A MINIMUM OF TWO (2) YEARS. ONCE THE ROSTERS ARE OFFICIAL, IF A PLAYER IS FOUND TO NOT COMPLY WITH THIS RULE, THE PLAYER WILL BE DISQUALIFIED AND THE TEAM WILL BE PENALIZED.

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## **ROSTER SIZE**

THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF PLAYERS ALLOWED ON A TEAM ROSTER IS 22 SKATERS AND 3 GOALKEEPERS.

FOR EACH GAME, A TEAM MAY ENTER A MAX. OF 20 SKATERS AND 2 GOALKEEPERS ON THE OFFICIAL GAME SCORESHEET.

## **DOUBLE ROSTERING**

- EACH ORGANIZATION (NOT TEAM) IS ALLOWED TO HAVE A MAXIMUM OF 4 (FOUR) PLAYERS AND 1 (ONE) GOALIE PLAY IN TWO DIVISIONS.
- PLAYERS CAN BE DOUBLE ROSTERED BETWEEN THE FOLLOWING DIVISIONS:
  - U12 TO U14
  - U14 TO U16
  - U16 TO U18, MEN'S DIV. II OR WOMEN'S DIV. II OR WOMEN'S DIV. I
  - U18 TO MEN'S DIV. II OR WOMEN'S DIV. II OR WOMEN'S DIV. I

**DOUBLE ROSTERING IS PERMITTED ONLY WITHIN THE SAME YOUTH DIVISION (LEGACY OR SELECT). CROSS DIVISION DOUBLE ROSTERING IS NOT ALLOWED.**

**EXCEPTION: ORGANIZATIONS THAT FIELD TEAMS IN BOTH DIVISIONS (LEGACY OR SELECT) MAY ALLOW A LEGACY PLAYER TO PARTICIPATE ON A SELECT TEAM**

- A PLAYER MAY NOT COMPETE FOR TWO DIFFERENT ORGANIZATIONS DURING THE SAME EVENT.
- TEAMS THAT HAVE DOUBLE-ROSTERED PLAYERS MUST NOT HAVE MORE THAN 3 LINES (15 PLAYERS) AND 2 GOALIES (THE PURPOSE OF HAVING DOUBLE ROSTERED PLAYERS IS FOR TEAMS THAT ARE SHORT PLAYERS, NOT TO GIVE PLAYERS MORE ICE TIME).
- IF THE PLAYER DOES NOT COMPLY WITH THE AGE CLASSIFICATION TO PLAY IN A HIGHER DIVISION, YOU MUST SEND US THE PLAYERS INFORMATION (NAME AND DATE OF BIRTH), PROPOSED DIVISIONS AND IT WILL BE EVALUATED ON A CASE-BY-CASE BASIS (PLAYERS CANNOT PLAY BELOW THEIR AGE CLASSIFICATION).
- THE SCHEDULE **WILL NOT** BE MODIFIED TO ACCOMMODATE DOUBLE-ROSTERED PLAYERS OR COACHING SITUATIONS.
- NO DOUBLE ROSTERING IS PERMITTED FOR MEN'S DIV. I
- \* PLAYERS CANNOT BE DOUBLE ROSTERED BETWEEN MEN'S DII, MEN'S SENIOR DIVISION, WOMEN'S DI AND WOMEN'S DII.

**\* DUE TO THE NEW SCHEDULING FORMAT AND IN ORDER TO CONTINUE DEVELOPING PLAYERS ON THE CLASSIC TEAMS, THEY WILL BE PERMITTED TO DOUBLE ROSTER UP TO 6 (SIX) PLAYERS FROM MEN'S SENIOR DIV. TO MEN'S DIV. II AND FROM WOMEN'S DIV. II TO WOMENS' DIV. I. THIS WILL NOT COUNT AGAINST THE ORGANIZATIONS DOUBLE ROSTERING MAXIMUM OF 4 (FOUR) PLAYERS AND 1 (ONE) GOALIE.**

**TEAMS MUST SUBMIT ROSTERS AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION DIGITALLY BY JUNE 26, 2026, NO EXCEPTIONS.**

PLAYERS WHO PARTICIPATED IN ANY OF THE 2022, 2023, 2024, OR 2025 TOURNAMENTS ALREADY HAVE THEIR HERITAGE ELIGIBILITY DOCUMENTS ON FILE AND ARE NOT REQUIRED TO RESUBMIT THEM.

**UPDATED TOURNAMENT RULES AND REGULATIONS WILL BE POSTED ON OUR WEBSITE AND AVAILABLE FOR DOWNLOAD ON FEBRUARY 22, 2026.**

**IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING TEAM AND/OR PLAYER ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT WAYNE WHITMORE AT [WWHITMORE@AMERIGOLHOCKEY.COM](mailto:WWHITMORE@AMERIGOLHOCKEY.COM)**

