



## U18 Rep

There are three program options for U18 Rep. All three programs are run by different organizations with each program holding separate tryouts.

### **U17 & U18 AAA – BCEHL**

Kamloops hosts a U17 and a U18 AAA team that competes in the BCEHL. This program is administered by the league, and all fees are paid directly to BC Hockey. Tryouts typically begin in the spring.

### **U18 AA – OMAHA Zone**

The U18 AA team competes within the OMAHA Zone league and is open to players across the Thompson region. The team and league are operated by OMAHA, with support from KMHA. Players must register for tryouts through the OMAHA website, and all program fees are paid to OMAHA.

### **Tier 2/3 Rep A - KMHA**

The U18 Rep A Regional Zone program will continue for the 2026/2027 season. KMHA intends to host two teams at the U18 level: Tier 2, and Tier 3. Neighbouring associations within the zone may host a Tier 4 team, and KMHA players released from Tier 3 will have the opportunity to continue the tryout process with those teams.

### **Tryouts & Team Selection**

U18 Tier 2,3,4 Rep tryouts will be conducted together. Teams will be formed with up to 18 skaters and 2 goaltenders, where numbers and skill levels allow.

### **Fees**

Players selected to a U18 Rep team will be required to pay an additional \$450 carding fee to KMHA, which helps cover increased costs such as additional ice time. Each team will also operate with a parent-approved budget to cover seasonal expenses, including tournaments, apparel, uniforms, and team activities.

### **Season Structure**

Teams will receive two full-ice practices per week. One practice will be scheduled in the late afternoon or early evening, and the second will take place on a weekday morning at 6:00 AM before school. Practice times will remain consistent throughout the season. Teams will travel within the Thompson/Okanagan region for league play, with occasional games outside the region if required. Each team may attend up to three out-of-town tournaments and will host one home tournament.

### **Commitment**

U18 Rep is a competitive level of hockey that requires a significant commitment from both players and families. Attendance at all practices and games is expected, with exceptions for illness or injury. Families should carefully consider the time, travel, and financial expectations before registering.

**Rep Association**

KMHA players who are selected to a Tier 4 team hosted by a neighbouring association will be transferred to that association for the season and will pay their registration fees directly to that association. Any registration fees paid to KMHA for the current season will be refunded, excluding tryout fees.

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