



Streatham

Youth Ice Hockey Club
(@ Brixton Ice Arena)

PLAYER
INFORMATION PACK

2011/2012 Season

www.streathamicehockey.com



Ice hockey is a fast and fun team sport!

The Streatham Youth Ice Hockey Club actively encourages the development of young players and aims to develop them in all aspects of the game: individual skills, game play, team-work and leadership. We work with players new to the sport up to those representing Great Britain.

Our training sessions and games are held at the brand new Brixton Ice Arena, 49 Brixton Station Road, SW9 8PQ.

TEAMS

There are currently 5 age groups in the club - **U10s, U12s, U14s, U16s and U18s**. The U10s have players as young as 5 years old.

Advanced Players: can train and “play up” to any age group on the invitation of a coach, with the following exception: Players are not allowed to play U18s until their 15th birthday.

Women Players: Girls are allowed to also play in women’s senior hockey from their 16th Birthday. The senior women’s teams operate outside the Streatham Youth Ice Hockey Club. If you are interested please contact info@streathamstorm.com.

TRAINING TIMES

Training is on a Monday afternoon/evening depending on age group:

U10s & U12s:	5:00-6:30pm
U14s:	5:30/6:00-7:00/7:30pm (times dependent on ability level)
U16s:	7:00-8:30pm
U18s:	7:30-9:00pm

Players can arrive in ice hockey kit, or use the changing rooms. The changing rooms are fully kitted out and have showers.

STARTING OUT

Getting ready: A basic level of skating is required so new joiners are safe and can enjoy the sessions. We recommend new joiners are comfortable (i) skating at speed and doing front cross overs, and (ii) are ok at skating backwards. See the “Further Info and Contact Details” to get answers to any questions you might have on this. If your child is not up to the necessary standard, the Ice Arena runs excellent six week ice



skating lessons on a Wednesday afternoon, Saturday morning or Sunday morning (email: brixton@planet-ice.co.uk, or call 020 7737 5034).

Start playing: There are two ways to start. New joiners can jump right in and join training sessions, or they can come down to the rink and watch part of a training session first. Whichever option you choose, please contact the manager for your age group before arriving so they can introduce themselves, organize any kit you need and answer any questions you have.

Introduction period: to give children and parents a chance to see if ice hockey is for them we have a six week introduction period. During this time the club can provide a free set of ice hockey kit so the player only needs to provide their own ice hockey skates. The cost for each session attended is £7.50.

JOINING

Once new joiners make the decision to join they are registered with the English Ice Hockey Association and, depending on ability, can start playing games.

Registration: There are several forms you need to fill in, in order to complete the registration process. These can be obtained from your team manager, and then returned to them when completed:

- ✓ EIHA Registration form
- ✓ Parental Consent form
- ✓ Medical Information form
- ✓ Player/Parent Code of Conduct
- ✓ Photocopy of Passport or Birth Certificate
- ✓ International Ice Hockey Federation form (for those with non-UK passports)

Subsidised ice hockey equipment: a full set of ice hockey equipment can be costly. To reduce the cost of joining the sport, the club has negotiated reduced costs and subsidises new joiner equipment (does not include skates or water bottle). If a player later decides to leave, the club will purchase the equipment back minus any damaged/worn out/lost items.

Monthly fees: payments of £50 are made on a monthly basis to the club to cover the cost of ice time for training sessions and games. This works out at approximately £8 per session if training and games are taken into account. All the coaches and managers are volunteers and do not charge for their time.



GAMES

Streatham plays in the English Ice Hockey Association South East Divisions. Home games are usually 4.30pm on a Saturday or Sunday. Away game times will vary according to the opposing team's schedule. The U10 team plays approximately 10 games per year, while the more senior teams play approximately 20 games per year. All team fixtures are available on the website www.eiha.com. Players arrive an hour prior to face-off time to allow for changing into equipment, coaches talk, and warm up session on the ice.

EQUIPMENT LIST

Players must have the following pieces of equipment for **all** games and training sessions.

Helmet	Elbow pads
Neck guard	Shorts
Body Armour	Leg pads
Skates	Stick
Catcher/blocker (keepers only)	Box
Gloves	Shirt
Water bottle	Socks

FURTHER INFO AND CONTACT DETAILS

Streatham Youth Ice Hockey Club: www.streathamicehockey.com

U-18 Royals:	Birgit Myrie	birgit@streathamicehockey.com
U-16 Scorpions:	David Wills	david@streathamicehockey.com
U-14 Braves:	David Wills	david@streathamicehockey.com
U-12 Minibraves:	Damian Byrne	damian@streathamicehockey.com
U-10 Warriors:	Andrew Cunningham	cunninghamandrew@me.com
Werewolves (special needs):	Mike Dwyer	mike@streathamicehockey.com

English Ice Hockey Association: www.eiha.com