

MARATHON COUNTY YOUTH HOCKEY (MCYH)

COACH INFORMATION & REQUIREMENTS

MCYH strives to provide quality coaching for our teams. Our coaches are all volunteers, many being parents of players, past players, high school coaches, and individuals who coach for the love of the game.

If you would like to coach for MCYH you must:

- 1) Register with USA Hockey at www.usahockey.com under the Membership section and turn into the ACE Coordinator or Registrar before you are allowed on the ice.
- 2) Register with MCYH as a coach by filling out a *MCYH Coaches Registration Form* which can be found at www.mcyhockey.org.
 - a. Those seeking Head Coaching positions must attend the annual “Coach Selection Meeting” held the first Wednesday after tryouts.
 - i. Deadline for registering for a Head Coach position is 5:00pm on the Tuesday following team selection.
 - b. Assistant Coaches are selected by each Head Coach from the pool of available certified/registered coaches.
 - i. Deadline for registering as an Assistant Coach is Nov 30th.
- 3) All coaches must submit to a background check every 2 years. To complete a background check, go to the Resources section on www.waha-hockey.com. Background checks are due before you are allowed on the ice
- 4) Obtain the required level of USA Hockey Coaching Education Program (CEP) certification and complete the age-specific component for the level you intend to coach. This must be completed by December 31st of the current season. (see below)

USA Hockey Coaching Education Program (CEP) Certification

- MCYH as well as our governing bodies, USA Hockey and the Wisconsin Amateur Hockey Association (WAHA) require all individuals who conduct on-ice activities such as coaching practices and games to be USA CEP certified and insured. This applies to all Head and Assistant coaches.
- USA Hockey provides **Coach Education Program** clinics that are available locally and state wide. These clinics can be attended by any interested individual who would like to coach youth hockey. Anyone interested in coaching at MCYH should visit the WAHA or USA Hockey web site to learn about the **CEP** requirements and location/times of the clinics.
- MCYH has a “Coaching (ACE) Coordinator” on staff who can help with questions regarding coaching requirements.