



2018 Field Hockey BC Regional Tournaments at Tamanawis Park, Surrey

- April 13-15: U18 Train 2 Compete
- May 4-6: U15 Train 2 Train

### The Tournament

[Tamanawis Park, 64<sup>th</sup> Ave.](#) (at 126<sup>th</sup> Street), Surrey, BC

The Regional Tournaments are the selection point for the Provincial Program. Athletes must be tournament-eligible to participate (see [Fitness Policy](#)). Provincially-eligible athletes will be considered for Team BC selection.

The Regional Tournament hosts FHBC regional teams for 2-3 days of games. Events are typically hosted on the mainland with some years hosted on Vancouver Island. Field Hockey BC staff and coaches will be on-site, ensuring a smooth, safe, and professional event is delivered for BC athletes and families. We encourage participants to invite their friends and family to fill the spectator stands in support and encouragement of all BC athletes.

### Team Structure

Athletes are continually ranked throughout the Regional Program. Rankings are based on skill level, ability, fitness, and other factors. To create even teams for the tournament, a comprehensive approach is taken by the FHBC Provincial Coach, FHBC Athlete Program Managers and Regional Head Coaches to create even tournament teams based on athlete eligibility, skill, fitness, and other factors. The goal is to provide an even playing platform for all.

### Team Training

Provisions for 3-6 hours (or 2-3 sessions) are made within each Training Schedule for team training. This means that for squads larger than 16 athletes, the squad will be split to create teams (and may involve combining athletes from different regions). In some cases, team training is not possible – for example, due to field availability or geography (i.e. Island or Interior athletes may not be expected to travel to the mainland for training before the tournament). In such cases, the panel of selectors will be aware of the differing dynamics of the teams.

### Timeline:

Sept/Oct/Nov: trials and training

Jan/Feb: training

March: tournament teams created

March/April: team training (may not apply to all teams)

April/May: Regional Tournaments (selection point)

## Accommodation

- Island athletes (male): please coordinate your own accommodation
- Island athletes (female): accommodation will be organized by FHBC Head Coach
- Interior athletes (female): accommodation will be organized by FHBC Head Coach

## Games Schedule

DAY 1 of each event is a school day. Athletes are expected to miss school on this day. The schedule will be released once finalized. Teams can typically expect to play 2 games per day.

## Uniforms

Teams will receive an FHBC **uniform** for the event. These will likely be provided to Team Managers on Day 1. Uniforms will be on loan from FHBC and should be kept and returned in good condition. Athletes will also receive Kukri socks to keep.

## Team Manager

Each team will have a designated Team Manager to coordinate uniforms, carpools, snacks and food. We will request for 1 or 2 parent-volunteers per team. If you are interested, please consider your schedule now and a request for Managers will be issued once teams are announced.

## Field Tear-Down

DAY 3 of each event is the tear-down day. This means that all banners, tents, sticks/balls, ladders, technical equipment and more must be loaded into the FHBC van and staff cars. In advance of this, FHBC greatly appreciates the help of athletes and parents. The goal is to pack up and leave as quickly and safely as possible!

## Amenities

Within a 5-minute drive, Safeway, Tim Horton's, Starbucks and other shops/restaurants are available. Please see this map: [LINK](#)

*Thank you!*

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