

QATAR MINOR ICE HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

www.qataricehockey.com

Mission

To provide a quality hockey program for children ages 5 to 15, with emphasis on ENJOYMENTOF THE GAME, basic hockey skills and personal development including; sportsmanship, fair play, positive self-esteem, teamwork, discipline and respect of others.

Organization

The Qatar Minor Ice Hockey Association (QMIHA) is a non-profit organization operated solely by volunteers. We currently operate minor hockey programs for young hockey players aged 5to 15, from the Initiation through to U15.

Program

Our program runs from September through March. Players are grouped in divisions based on hockey skill and age as of December 31 of the current hockey season. All players are placed in the appropriate division based on their age and skill after the evaluation process is concluded.

The following divisions are used for purposes of the QMHIA:

- Initiation (Beginner) (5-7 Years)
- Under 9 (U9)
- Under 12 (U12)
- Under 15 (U15)

The Initiation level is an introduction to beginning hockey skills. The purpose of this level is to provide the required hockey skills with the intention of moving advanced skaters into their appropriate age division.

QMIHA teams within the U9, U12 and U15 divisions will play a minimum of twelve (12) league games during the season.

Throughout the season, our U9, U12 and U15 players have an opportunity to attend several tournaments within the Gulf, including Qatar, Dubai, Al Ain and Abu Dhabi. Tournaments in Qatar will require at least one parent volunteer for each tournament participant.

Players

Each year, the association consists of over 100 players from around the globe; previous members have been from: Qatar, Canada, United States, Germany, South Africa,

Sweden, South Korea, Czech Republic, Holland, Jordan, Kuwait, Malaysia, New Zealand, Australia, Lebanon, United Kingdom and France.

Fees

The following fees apply for the 2012-2013 hockey season:

Initiation: 1000 QR All Other Divisions: 2000 QR

All registration fees are non refundable, except for reasons as outlined in the Constitution of the QMIHA

Jersey*: 250 QR each (includes a pair of regulation socks). Each player requires one home and one visitor jersey.

*QMIHA Jerseys and socks are required for Saturday games and tournaments. Other (practice) jerseys should be worn during practices.

Schedule

QMIHA programs are held at the Villagio Ice Rink with the following ice times:

Tuesday

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm U12

7:15 pm - 8:15 pm U15

Wednesday

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm U9

7:00 pm – 8:00 pm Tournament Practices

Saturday

8:00 am – 9:15 am Initiation Practice

9:30 – 10:45 am U9 Game

11:00 am - 12:15 pm U12 Game

12:30pm -1:45 pm U15 Game

Hockey Equipment

Safety is important while participating in any hockey program. Therefore, FULL Safety Equipment is MANDATORY for each division. Participants will not be permitted on the ice without full safety equipment for the division:

ALL DIVISIONS: Helmet with full cage, neck guard, shin pads, shoulder pads, elbow pads, hockey pants, athletic cup and gloves.

U12: As above plus mouth guard.

If you do not have the necessary equipment, the QMIHA website (www.qataricehockey.com) features a Buy and Sell area for individuals to post hockey equipment they are wishing to sell or trying to purchase. If you are unable to purchase your hockey equipment locally you may find the following websites helpful. Delivery

ICE HOCKEY WEBSITES: For equipment purchases online and other general hockey information.

www.pro-skate.com

times will vary.

www.hockeymonkey.com

www.hockeygiant.com

http://www.oceanhockey.com/

http://www.hockeyphreak.com/ice-hockey-skates.html

http://pages.ebay.com/buy/guides/ice-hockey-roller-hockey-buying-guide/

http://www.avocado8.com/newthings/hockey/new_dressing_steps.html

http://www.hockeymadeeasy.com/equipmenttips.htm

http://www.apihockey.com/dynamic.cfm?id=6

http://mba.tuck.dartmouth.edu/pages/clubs/mens-hockey/equipment.html

www.sportchek.ca www.canadiantire.ca

For more information on the QMIHA programs, regular updates, scheduling and general information, please visit our website at www.qataricehockey.com. You could also contact any Executive member if you have any further questions at QMIHA@yahoo.com

President: Kathy Seck

Vice President: Heather Ryan Past President: Jan Marie Graham

Treasurer:

Secretary: Leslie Wilson Registrar: Lynn Daley Sponsorship: Andrew Seck

Tournament Dates 2012-2013

U9

Nov 9 @ Abu Dhabi, Marina Mall Dec 7 @ Al Ain Vipers March 8-9 @ Dubai

U12

Feb 1-2 @ Qatar Mar 1-2 @ Al Ain Vipers Apr 26-27 @ Abu Dhabi

U15

Nov 16-17 @ Qatar Jan 18-19 @ Al Ain Theebs Mar 29-30 @ Abu Dhabi