



FAQ

Rocky Mountain District Player Development/Evaluation Camp Salt Lake City-Olympic Oval-May 8-12, 2013

What is The Rocky Mountain District Player Development /Evaluation Camp?

The RMD Camp is part of USA Hockey's player development process. USA Hockey's Youth Council / National Player Development Committee run the national player development camps. The purpose of the national camps is to further develop, educate, and identify national team caliber players from across the country. Each of the twelve districts that makes up USA Hockey conducts a Player Development Camp.

The National Boys Camps will be held in Buffalo, NY, and the girls in St Cloud, MN. Complete information about the National Camps including dates, can be found on the USA Hockey Web Site: www.usahockey.com

What is the purpose of the district camp?

There are multiple purposes and objectives of the camp. We emphasis skill development; players attending the camp will be on the ice with NCAA College, Junior, AAA, Prep School, USAH National and, sometimes, NHL personnel. It is an opportunity for players across the district to measure themselves against the best players in the district and get exposure to scouts and higher level coaching. We conduct off ice testing measuring attending players against their peers. There are hockey related educational seminars. We will evaluate and rank players for selection to the gender and birth year specific National USA Hockey Select Camps.

Who is eligible to attend?

All US citizens, whose primary residence is within the Rocky Mountain District (AZ, CO, ID, NM, OK, TX, and UT). The 2013 District Camp is for boys who are born in the years of 1998, 1997, and 1996 and for girls born in 1999, 1998, 1997, and 1996.

What about Boys born in 1999?

USA Hockey does not have a National Camp for boys born in 1999. Boys born in 1999 will be selected at their State Camps and are eligible for the Western Regional Multi-District High Performance Camp held in Colorado Springs June 22-27, 2013. See FAQ for the Multi-District camp.

How to I qualify? Where do I tryout?

Each state within the district is given an allocation of available spots at the camp. Each state holds a Player Development Camp where players are selected to advance to the district camp. If your primary residence is within, AZ, CO, ID, NM, OK, TX, or UT then you must go through your affiliate to advance to the district camp.

I go to school and play out of the district. What camp should I attend?

USA Hockey determines player eligibility for camps based upon a player's primary residence (where do your parents pay taxes?). If it is within the Rocky Mountain District then you must tryout through the district process. If you cannot make your affiliate (state) camp then you need to work through the affiliate to arrange to be evaluated by at a camp local to you. You must contact your state player development camp director to make arrangements. Do not attend a local camp unless you have coordinated with your state player development director.

When, where, and how much does the camp cost?

The camp will be held in Salt Lake City, UT at the Olympic Oval from Wednesday evening May 8, to Sunday afternoon May 12, 2013. A tentative schedule will be posted on the RMD website by April 1, 2013. The schedule is subject to change, but the camp start and end times will not change so folks can make their travel arrangements in advance. If making travel arrangements please allow sufficient time to be at on-site registration and enough time to be at the last session for your age group. Players will be released immediately after their last session. The cost of the camp is \$275/player with each player responsible for his/her own transportation, housing and meals.

What is the registration procedure?

After being selected by your state, you will receive an email from the district through Rocky Mountain Registrars (same as your state camp) giving you directions on how to complete the registration process. Because we have more qualified players wanting to attend the camp than available spots, we will put a deadline on your registering, and, if you do not meet the time line you run the risk of losing your spot. If you have difficulty in meeting the time lines, please communicate with us, and we will help to work it out.

What is the format of the camp?

Each group will be on the ice seven times. The morning sessions are devoted to skill development and the evening ones to competition. There will also be off-ice testing and educational seminars.

Can Parents attend?

All sessions, including seminars, are open to parents. There are restrictive areas where parents are not allowed (locker rooms, inside the ice area, etc.). There are plenty of areas available from which to view. We ask that you do not enter the restricted areas.

Who may I contact if I have additional questions?

Tom Lampl - Camp Director, tom@svsearch.com, 208-725-5055.

However, it is strongly advised that your initial questions be directed to your local state/affiliate representative.

Arizona – Geoff Pashkowski-Camp Director, dplusarch@cox.net

Colorado – Mary Davern/Camp Registrar, icewitch@comcast.net

Idaho – Mike Lehto, Camp Director, VicePresident@IdahoAmateurHockey.com

New Mexico - Brad Bock - bockster13@hotmail.com

Oklahoma/Texas – Mark Servaes, Camp Director, Mark.Servaes@us.nestle.com

Utah – Sandy Curtis, Utah Hockey Secretary, uaha_secretary@comcast.net