# Cambridge Roadrunners U15A Tryout Information for 2025/2026.

#### Why is the CrGHA fielding two separate U15A teams for the 2025/2026 season?

The Cambridge roadrunners Girls Hockey Association (CrGHA) development committee has identified a high number of athletes who will compete for roster positions at the U15A level. Creating two teams at U15A affords athletes a chance to play in Cambridge and continue their minor hockey career as Roadrunners.

## How will U15A tryouts work for the 2025/2026 season?

Athletes competing for roster positions at the U15A level will participate in the same tryout process. Due to anticipated participant volume, athletes will be separated alphabetically by last name for the first two on ice tryout sessions. Following the first two on ice tryout sessions, athletes will be notified if they were successful. Successful athletes will progress to on ice game sessions.

Remaining athletes may be requested to participate in multiple game sessions by both U15A coaches. This allows both U15A coaches an opportunity to observe the athlete's full potential. Both U15A coaches will be present for all on ice tryout and game sessions conducting player evaluations. Independent evaluators will also be present during all tryout and game sessions evaluating athletes.

Final roster selections will be made by U15A coaches in consultation with the CrGHA Vice-President of Travel and CrGHA High-Performance Development Director. Successful athletes will be contacted by one of two U15A coaches and offered a roster position on their respective team. The CrGHA will not entertain or accommodate specific team requests during the U15A tryout process. If selected for a U15A team you do not wish to be rostered on please notify the respective U15A coach and CrGHA VP of Travel immediately.

Athletes who are not successful during the U15A tryout process will be notified and requested to attend the U15BB/B Roadrunner tryout process.

## Will the U15A teams be tiered during the 2025/2026 season?

No. Our goal is to roster two teams with a competitive balance of athletes able to compete at the U15A level. Neither team will receive preferential treatment including player selection, ice time or development opportunity at an association level.

#### How will team composition lead to competitive competition during the 2025/2026 season?

Each U15A team will be comprised of both minor and major athletes ensuring a healthy competitive balance. Team composition may see a major/minor imbalance when final rosters are complete. Roster composition is by design to ensure athletes are prepared for future growth and ensures both teams are competitively balanced.

#### Will Teams compete against each other during the 2025/2026 season?

The Ontario Women's Hockey Association (OWHA) dictates playing loops for teams based on Provincial registration. The CrGHA will request both U15A teams be placed in separate playing loops for the 2025-2026 season. The OWHA may deny this request and place both U15A teams in the same playing loop.

Tournament selection will be team/coach dependent and may result in both U15A teams competing in the same tournament.