

Attachment: [HKHAWS - Return to Hockey Phases](#)

Dear Convenors,

Further to HKHAWS 20-21 Circular No. 2 - Women's League 20-21 Provisional Divisions & Update. Based on this information we are pleased to provide further updates on:

- (I) Return to hockey stages
- (II) Proposed competition formats and
- (III) Team fees (including discounts and timing of payments).

I RETURN TO HOCKEY STAGES GUIDELINES

Whilst it is difficult to predict with any certainty when the women's winter league can resume, we attach a summary of the different phases to ensure teams are able to get back on to hockey pitches as quickly and safely as possible in accordance with government restrictions. This overview shows the triggers for the different stages. Once we are in stage 3, subject to availability of venues (LCSD or otherwise) and other logistics we will consider providing hockey in smaller formats (such as indoor or hockey5s) to the extent permitted until we are in a position to resume 11 aside hockey. However please note that the ongoing uncertainty will continue to present challenges so the overview remains subject to change in the future.

II COMPETITION FORMAT PROPOSALS

We do not know when we will reach stage 5 and be in a position to start the women's 2020/21 winter league. However, we set out below options and competition formats that will be adopted depending on the league start date and factor in parity of games across the board to the extent possible. However for the knock-out tournament, priority is given to the premier division Guv Dillon Cup as this is a sponsored event and thus beneficial to our sport overall. Please note the options below assume that in any event the season will be extended until 5 June 2021.

Option A – Start by 7 November 2020

Division	Number of rounds (games)	Knock out tournament
Premier	3 (21)	√

Division One	2 (20)	√
Division Two	2 (20)	√
Division Three	2 (18)	√
Division Four	3 (21)	√

Option B – Start by 9 January 2021

Division	Number of rounds (games)	Knock out tournament
Premier	2 (14)	√
Division One	1.5 (14/15)	√
Division Two	1.5 (14/15)	√
Division Three	1.5 (13)	√
Division Four	2 (14)	√

Option C – Start by 6 February 2021

Division	Number of rounds (games)	Knock out tournament
Premier	2 (14)	√
Division One	1.5 (14/15)	X
Division Two	1.5 (14/15)	X
Division Three	1.5 (13)	X
Division Four	2 (14)	X

Option D – Start by 6 March 2021

Division	Number of rounds (games)	Knock out tournament
Premier	1.5 (10)	√

Division One	1 (10)	X
Division Two	1 (10)	X
Division Three	1 (9)	X
Division Four	1.5 (10)	X

III TEAM FEES

1. 2020/21 Discount

After calculating savings made due to the premature end of the 2019/20 season, the team fees will be comprised of:

- (A) League Fee (Team Registration Fee): \$750 per team
- (B) Administration Fees
 - (i) Club Affiliation Fee: \$750 per club
 - (ii) Administration Fee: \$8,800 per team***

*** This amount reflects a **discount of 20% (i.e. \$2,200) per team.**

2. Payment Timing

As in previous years (A) and (B) must be split into separate payments.

Due to the ongoing uncertainty about the resumption of our winter league as a result of Covid-19 and the related restrictions clubs will be invited to make payments in 2 instalments as described below. The exact deadlines for payments (and any potential impact on the second instalment if option D arises) will be circulated once there is more visibility on when competition can resume.

1st instalment (non-refundable) – to be paid at least 7 days before the first scheduled match of the HKHAWS 2020-21 winter league.

This will be comprised of:

(A) 100% of League Fee (Team Registration Fee): **\$750 per team**

(B) Administration Fees

(i) 100% of Club Affiliation Fee: **\$750 per club**

(ii) 50% of Administration Fee: **\$4,400 per team**

2nd instalment – to be paid approximately 2 months after the first scheduled match of the HKHAWS 2020-21 winter league (i.e. once teams have played at least 8 matches)

This will be comprised of:

50% of Administration Fee: **\$4,400 per team**

Should you have any questions about any of the above please do not hesitate to contact Jowie (leagueaa@hockey.org.hk / jowiewong@hockey.org.hk) or Bonnie (bonnieyeung@hockey.org.hk). We will circulate further details regarding registration and the convenors' meeting in due course.

Kind regards

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