



## BRBHA Hybrid Goalie Policy – 2026



The U11 Hybrid Goalie Policy has been developed by the Bow River Bruins Hockey Association (BRBHA) to provide U11-aged participants the opportunity to develop and contribute as both a skater and a goaltender during the season. This policy supplements the Hockey Calgary U11 Hybrid Goalie Policy, available here:

[HC\\_U11\\_Hybrid\\_Goalie\\_Policy\\_FINAL.pdf](#)

### **Eligibility and Declaration**

- All U11 participants will be informed of the Hybrid Goalie opportunity.
- Interested players must meet all eligibility criteria as outlined in the Hockey Calgary Hybrid Policy and the BRBHA Hybrid Policy.
- Prospective Hybrid Goalies must declare their preferred position (Skater or Goaltender) prior to the start of evaluations.

This preference will be used if the player does not meet Hybrid Goalie criteria.

### **Hybrid Placement Committee**

The Hybrid Placement Committee consists of:

- Evaluation Coordinator
- Goaltender Evaluation Chair
- U11 Goalie Lead Evaluator (BRBHA Goaltending Committee)

This committee oversees all aspects of evaluation, placement, and final decision-making for Hybrid Goalie candidates.

### **Evaluation Procedure**

All prospective Hybrid Goalies will be evaluated at both positions across a minimum of three (3) sessions each:

#### **Goaltender Evaluations**

- 1 Skill Session
- 1 Small Area Game
- 1 Scrimmage

#### **Skater Evaluations**

- 1 Skill Session
- 2 Scrimmage Sessions

**Hybrids may complete evaluations in both roles on the same day.**

**After 3 evaluations in each position, one of the following will occur:**



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- The participant does not meet Hybrid criteria and must proceed in the position declared at registration (Skater or Goalie) for the remainder of evaluations.
- The participant may continue to be evaluated at one or both positions, at the discretion of the Hybrid Placement Committee.

Note: Continued evaluation does not imply approval as a Hybrid Goalie.

### **Final Decision:**

Once all evaluations are complete, the Hybrid Placement Committee will notify each participant of their final status:

- Not approved: The participant must continue the season in the declared position.
- Approved: The participant is designated as a Hybrid Goalie for the season.

### **Team Placement**

- Team placement for approved Hybrid Goalies is at the sole discretion of the Hybrid Placement Committee.
- Participants will not have input on team placement.
- Position-specific preferences or requests will not be considered.
- Evaluation results will not be shared with families.

### **Practice and Game Expectations**

- Hybrid Goalies will generally split practices equally between goaltending and skating.
- In teams with a Full-Time Goalie, the standard game split will be:
  - 65% of games played by the Full-Time Goalie
  - 35% of games played by the Hybrid Goalie
- The Hybrid Placement Committee reserves the right to adjust the split based on team needs or other circumstances.

### **Hybrid Goalie Responsibilities**

- Attend all scheduled practices and games based on the skater/goaltender schedule.
- Commit to playing both positions for the entire season unless otherwise approved by BRBHA.
- Communicate with team staff if availability impacts position responsibilities.

### **Head Coach Responsibilities**

- Track and document each instance where the Hybrid Goalie dresses as a skater or goaltender for both practices and games.
- Ensure the practice/game split set by the Hybrid Placement Committee is followed and maintained throughout the season.