



# SWZ Manager TOURNAMENTS

A few things you should know about planning for tournaments:

1. If your team is planning to attend a tournament(s), you will need to apply for tournaments as early as possible as it can be very difficult to find one with space available.
2. Apply for multiple tournaments, even if they are on the same weekend, as you can always turn down a spot if accepted to multiple tournaments.
3. If you receive an email that a tournament is full, ask to be placed on the wait list.
4. Make sure you check if the tournament is body contact or non-body contact and your teams tier before you apply.
5. Keep a list of tournaments applied for, accepted to or on the waiting list for.
6. SWZ does not have a reciprocal tournament.

You can look for available tournaments at the following places:

1. Hockey Alberta: [Tournaments | Hockey Alberta](#)
2. Hockey Calgary: [Calgary Tournaments - Hockey Calgary](#)
3. Hockey Saskatchewan: [Tournaments « Hockey Saskatchewan](#)
4. Hockey BC: [Tournaments | BC Hockey](#)

As soon as you book a tournament, book a block of rooms at a local hotel. You can ask the tournament if they have a block of rooms booked, but do not wait too long to book a block or you may find yourself having to book a hotel at a center other than where the tournament is.

If you are booking a bus to travel to the tournament, there are several options you can find online. TRAXX Coachline is the official coach of Hockey Alberta ([Traxx Coachlines - TRAXX Coachlines](#)) and very reliable/reasonable in price. You do not have to use TRAXX and can use any coach line you feel is adequate.

You will need to apply for a Tournament Permit on your team's RAMP site. Once you log on you will see the menu on the left-hand side with an option to pick "Apply for a Permit". Apply for your permits early and make sure that you have the confirmation email from the league, DO NOT assume your permit will automatically be approved.

If you book a tournament and have either game or practice ice assigned during the tournament it is YOUR TEAMS responsibility to trade/sell practice ice or to reschedule a game. Not doing so will result in a financial penalty for your team and can result in suspension of coaches. You can usually trade/sell/give away practice time, but rescheduling games can be very difficult. Consider using the Blackout option that Hockey Edmonton offers. There is a fee to applying for blackout dates, but when approved, it ensures that you will not be scheduled any practice/game time for that weekend.