

MIDLANDS ADULT LEAGUES

Update October 2025

Team Selection

Reminder on Team Selection for Fixtures on 25/10/2025 that have been rearranged because the opposition have a Cup game (EH Championships).

- **8.3.4 If a Higher-Ranked Team has no Fixture or Does Not Play its Scheduled Fixture:** In a Matchweek (N.B. a Matchweek is Thursday to Wednesday) where a team has a League fixture but any higher-ranked teams in their Club do not:
 - (a) The team can only select players who have made at least 50% of their playing appearances for either that team or a lower-ranked team – refer to the definition of Regular Team.
 - (b) Regulation 8.3.3 does not apply in such a Matchweek.

Competition Categories

EH GUIDANCE

- **Participants will be unable to play across both Female and Open categories in a single season,** unless they become ineligible to participate in the Female category during a season in which case they can move from the Female to the Open category.

REGULATIONS

- **7.3 Competition Categories**
Players shall play in the relevant category as determined by England Hockey Trans and Non-Binary Participation Policy, and must only play in one category, during a season, unless approved by the ALMC.

I've copied this, as we are aware of at least one instance where a female is playing in a team who are playing in the Open/Men's League. This is only allowed if they have not, or do not, play in a female League game during this season.

Midlands Adult Indoor

The competitive Tier 1 tournament (for 1st teams) to select the Midland entries for the England Hockey Super 6s will be held on Saturday 13 December. A Tier 2 competition will run on Sunday 14 December for those Clubs who haven't played indoor before and would like to try it or looking to continue to develop (can include 2nd/3rd teams).

- Tier 1 - **Saturday 13 December**
- Tier 2 - **Sunday 14 December**

Please register your interest by completing the form below. Deadline for entries is **Sunday 26th October**.

- [Adult Indoor Entry 2025-26 entry form](#)

Forfeits/Cancellations/Postponed

Remember if you are about to forfeit, cancel, or postpone a fixture, you **MUST inform the relevant Divisional Secretary before** you do so, who will offer guidance on the actions needed.

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GMS

SCORE REPORTING

When submitting the Score and Match Sheet, fill all 8 fields for both teams in the Score submission. For all scores (including 0-0) BOTH teams must report the score.

Deadline for Score and Match Sheet (Timeline) submission is **20:00 on the day of match**.

- Enter the **Score AND Cards** for BOTH teams ASAP after a match
 - Enter the number of ALL goals and cards (Green, Yellow, Red) for BOTH teams, even if '0'
 - ALL games involving Development teams **should be recorded as 0-0**
 - Teams can record the goal scorers in the Match Sheet (Timeline) to keep a record if required.
- Record ALL goal scorers and card details (player and minutes) in the following window, Match Sheet (Timeline), and tick the 'Final Version' checkbox
 - All elements, goals and cards, **MUST be recorded** in the Match Sheet (Timeline).

UMPIRES

Two umpires must be reported for all games, including Development fixtures. Please **double-check before the game** to make sure two umpires are listed on the Team Sheet.

FIXTURE UPDATES

For any updates or changes to fixtures contact the relevant Divisional Secretary. Any changes must be clearly communicated to ALDS and opposition teams.

Player Registrations

I can see that Clubs are querying some Registrations, we are aware of a number of players who have not transferred properly and have served match suspensions.

Adult Leagues Information

Information, contacts and guidance can be found via the Adult Leagues page on the Midlands Hockey website, links below. For any fixture or divisional queries, please contact the relevant Divisional Secretary (ALDS).

- Website: [Midlands Hockey Adult Leagues & Competitions](#)
- Guidance: [Adult Leagues Regulations & Supporting Documents](#)
- Follow us on **Instagram** [Midlands Hockey Adult Leagues Instagram](#)
- Join our group on **Facebook** [Midlands Hockey Adult Leagues Facebook Group](#)

Team Admin GMS Reminders

We are in the process of updating the '**Team Admin GMS Reminders**' cards to be mailed out before the season starts. Please complete the form below to provide us with a postal address for your club.

- [Midlands Hockey Adult Leagues - Club postal address 2025/26](#)

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Communications to League Officials

Please contact the Divisional Secretary in the first instance for all queries. To help the League and to speed up responses, please include the following in all emails:

- Name, Role, Club (if club level e-mail)
- Name, Role, Team, Division (if team level e-mail)
- Name, Role, Team, Division, Date, Teams/Match details (if email is related to a specific match)

A list of League Officials, including e-mail addresses, can be found at the Midlands website here: [Adult Leagues Contacts](#)

Regards,



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