**JUNIOR CLUBS IN2HOCKEY 2024-25**

**MIDLANDS TOURNAMENTS U10 and U12**Entry for this set of tournaments is through your county, as each county should hold tournaments and the top two teams will be invited to play in the Midlands In2H Finals. From that tournament, the winning team in the u12 age group / gender will be invited to play in the National In2H Finals on Saturday 17th May 2025.

**Please send information of teams going through to the Midlands Finals to Jeanne Freeman, specifying Club, age group, gender, and an email contact and to reach her by Wednesday 12th March for U10s and Wednesday 26th March for U12s.**

**MIDLANDS FINALS -** U10s on Sunday 30th March at Nottingham Hockey Centre
 - U12s on Sunday 27th April at Nottingham Hockey Centre

**PLEASE NOTE –advanced warning - U10s on 30th March is also Mothering Sunday**

**COUNTY (Sub Area)**
The In2H Tournaments should be held on dates identified in the EH Priority & Centralised Calendar 2024-25.

* Sunday 9th Feb for U10s. Please DO NOT use this date for U12s as it is designated as a County AC for U13s
* Sunday 2nd March for U12s. This date could also be used for U10s
* Sunday March 9th for U10s. Please DO NOT use this date for U12s as it is designated as a County AC for U13s
* Sunday 16th March for U12s (assuming no U12s are in U14 Club teams) and U10s
* Sunday March 23rd for U12s.

**PLEASE NOTE** that the Midlands Junior Committee agreed that U10 In2H games will be played with a mini hockey ball. Mine has ‘MINI’ printed on it and weighs 102 grams / 3.5ozs. This is to encourage young players to learn how to control the ball correctly. Please reflect this policy in the county tournaments and, hopefully, clubs will practise with the lighter ball in training / coaching sessions.

**ALSO:** Clubs will be expected to provide a suitably qualified umpire for the Midlands Finals.

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