



Utah Lady Grizzlies

2018 – 2019

Team Information

Thank you for your interest in the Utah Lady Grizzlies hockey team (ULG) and being with us today. If you are new to competitive travel hockey we hope you will find this information helpful. If your player is a 'veteran' thanks for returning – every year gets a little bit better. We are always available to answer any other questions you might have. We hope you will join the Utah Lady Grizzlies Team for a season of hockey memories, friendships and fun as we provide opportunities for you to reach your hockey dreams and goals!

The ULG is a well-established, Tier II 19U team that has claimed victories in the 2015 and 2016 Rocky Mountain District Tournaments and competed in the USA Hockey National Championships. Our goal is to once again return to Nationals and become the first Utah Girls team to win the Nationals at 19U and at 16U!

Once again, this season we are also looking to increase the depth of our organization by putting together a 16U team that will participate in tournaments of their own and provide even more opportunity for experience at the highest possible level.

Costs

The total cost of playing youth hockey with the ULG is a combination of team fees, soft goods, and travel expenses.

Team Fees

Team fees are intended to cover the cost of ice rental, officials, entry fees, coaching, and misc. administrative costs. The team fees will once again be \$2500 for the season, or \$365/month (includes ~40 to 45 Practices, ~12 Scrimmage Games (9 we pay for & budget), 6 Tournaments w/o USAH Nationals, does not include travel expenses; due with registration)

Required Soft Goods

- Players are required to have 2 game jerseys (1 home, 1 away). Cost is \$250.
- Players are required to have 2 pair of game socks (1 home, 1 away). Cost is \$25
- Players are required to have black ULG warm up jacket and their own black leggings pants. Cost is approximately \$80.
- Players are required to have 1 ULG Dry-Fit shirt. Cost is approximately \$40.
- ULG hockey bags are recommended but not required - \$125 to \$150 additional cost
- All soft goods are to be ordered through the team and paid for at the time of order.
- *If you are selected a **\$250.00 non-refundable deposit** is required to hold your players spot. Payment must be made by June 30, 2018, if payment is not received your spot on the team will be forfeited. The deposit will go toward your team.*

Travel Expenses

- Travel expenses vary depending on the number and location of tournaments, mode of travel (automobile vs. air), number of people traveling, accommodations, meals, etc. Team members may pool together to save costs. The tier II players can expect five to six tournaments in the Western region and possibly Canada as well as additional travel for USA Hockey Nationals at the end of the season.

Hockey Equipment

- ULG players must wear all equipment required by USA Hockey
- Neck guards are recommended for all ULG players

Communication

- ALL team communication is through Team Snap (though we may be looking at an APP through SportsEngine). No individual texts, emails, or other social media communications directly with players (under 18) is allowed without parents being included in the communique.
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FAQs

1. Why should my daughter play on the 19U or 16U team when she can continue to play boys?

Answer: The ULG teams are excellent programs and provide the opportunity for players to prepare for even higher levels of hockey. Several former ULG players have gone on to play in Tier I programs around the country, and to Division III and ACHA College Teams. The players play in and prepare for some of the most competitive girls' teams on the west coast of the US and Canada. This team typically moves players up through the system and to the next level in 1-2 years, but every player is different.

2. How much school will be missed?

Answer: Typically expect to travel once a month. Tournaments normally start on a Friday; thus, from time-to-time players will need to miss school during the season. Teams and coaches support players in any way possible to lessen the impact of days missed; however, players are expected to plan for these occasions and attend all league and tournament games so that team has a full roster.

3. What is the attendance policy?

Answer: All players are expected to make a full commitment to all practices and games (in state and tournament). Rare exceptions can be made by talking with the coach; however, each family needs to know that the absence of one player impacts the entirety of the team. Thus, we prefer to minimize unexcused absences. Check with the individual coach on the communication of absences in a timely manner.

4. What is the age range for the 19U and 16U teams?

Answer: 19U = between 15 and 19. 16U = between 14 and 16. We may take age 13 if they are able to compete at the Tier II level.

5. Which team will my daughter play on?

Answer: Spots on the Tier II team are competitive. These decisions are made by the Head Coaches. Tier II rosters are set around December 15th. Prior to that date players may move between teams.