

U15 & Hatch/Collier Development Team Policy

Background:

HN held a review of our representative teams and programs after the completion of the 2012 Northland Hockey season. Age group Development Teams were discussed at length, the key discussions were based around increasing representative player depth, knowledge, skill, and ensuring there were suitable numbers within the age groups to sustain a development team. The following criteria are now in place for Development Teams in the Hatch, Collier & U15 age groups.

HN Development Team policy:

- 45 or more participants must attend the 1st open trial.
- The team must have a suitable coach appointed not a manager coach (HN discretion).

Please note that the Development Teams in the U15 age group will participate in the Northern Region representative preseason program and will have approximately 6 games. These Development Teams will not attend a national tournament in 2013.

The Hatch & Collier Development Team program will mirror the 2012 season which is a regionally based competition.