

FIELD HOCKEY CANADA

WOMEN'S NEXTGEN AND TAP - ATHLETE IDENTIFICATION AND ASSESSMENTS
FEMALE YOUTH ATHLETES U18 and U16



ATTENTION ATHLETES, PARENTS AND PSO STAKEHOLDERS

Field Hockey Canada is pleased to share with you the athlete identification process and pathway opportunities for female, high performance youth athletes for 2022-2023 season.

NextGen and Targeted Athlete Programs – Timeline for Squad Lists 2022-2023:

Athlete lists will be finalized and posted for both NextGen and TAP by the end of August 2022. These lists are created based on initial athlete identification and then confirmation of assessment using Junior Gold Medal Profile evaluation metrics.

Following the announcement of the squad lists in August 2022, an invitation to register for either Women's NextGen or the Targeted Athlete Program will be sent along with information on training at one of our NextGen National Training Centers (Victoria, Vancouver, Calgary and Toronto) or TAP training hubs (Tamanawis, West Vancouver, Calgary and Toronto – plans for Vancouver Island and Atlantic opportunities TBD)

Athlete Identification

Observations and assessment of athletes already in our NextGen system is ongoing and occurs in the daily training environment, as well as competition (USA Series) and any club or provincial training and competition events attended by FHC Staff.

In order to identify new athletes, Field Hockey Canada has, or will be in attendance at various club and provincial training and competition environments, TAP hub trainings and will be present at both U18 and U16 National Championships in order to observe and identify high potential athletes.

FHC will seek feedback from PSO's and provincial team coaches to support our identification process.

Athlete Assessment Camps

Athletes currently in the NextGen system, as well as any high potential athletes identified during the initial observation process will be invited to attend an assessment camp for formal evaluation.

These camps will allow FHC staff to evaluate athletes in relation to other NextGen peers of the same age group and will focus on technical fundamentals, tactical decision making and performance execution.

[The FHC Women's NextGen Selection Policy can be found here](#)

Following these camps, 2022-2023 NextGen Tiered Lists and TAP Lists, will be announced.

Invitations to Attend a Camp:

Invitations to Current 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2008 Next Gen Tiered Athletes will go out immediately, along with registration information for assessment camps.

Invitations will go to new athletes identified through National Championships by August 3rd for 2005 athletes, and by August 13th for 2006, 2007 and 2008 athletes, allowing opportunity to adjust travel schedules as necessary. Please consider in advance the possibility and logistics of attending this camp if you are interested

in being considered for NextGen assessment. Athletes that are identified, but unavailable for this camp may be considered for future assessment opportunities through a local training environment where possible and determined on a case by case basis.

2005 Age Group Camp

The Assessment for Athletes born 2005 will be immediately following U18 National Championships August 6 and 7th in Vancouver BC at Rutledge Field in West Vancouver BC

Athletes will be responsible for their own travel and accommodation for the duration of this camp.

2006, 2007, 2008 Age Group Camp

The Assessment for Athletes born 2006,07, and 08 will be immediately following U16 National Championships August 16 and 17th at UBC's Wright Field in Vancouver BC.

Athletes will be responsible for their own travel and accommodation for the duration of this camp.

COST:

The cost for this camp is **\$180** which covers staffing, facilities and administrative costs.