

Junior (under 23 years old) Hockey

Dear Junior hockey players & parents,

We are excited to kick start team selection and training for the USA teams that will compete at the next Age Groups Underwater Hockey World Championships in Sheffield, England, August 13 - 24, 2019.

The 11-day event promises to be an excitement-packed athletic festival, with more than 30 teams from all over the world. Here's some more information from the organizers:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1784025365148515/>

We are very proud of the high level that junior UWH in the US has reached in the past years, which culminated in the competitive U19 and U23 teams that represented us in Spain in 2015 and in Australia in 2017. Bringing our young stars to the world's stage makes a heartfelt dream come true. If you are interested, please complete this survey (<https://goo.gl/forms/hkkdJT0IDwqwlNI43>) by July 30, 2018. Make sure to read the information below.

USA UWH is eligible to send teams in four categories of the tournament, as follows:

- Under 19 Girls
- Under 23 Girls
- Under 19 Boys
- Under 23 Boys

To be eligible you need to:

- Be 18 (or younger) or 22 (or younger) on January 1, 2019
- Be a USA Citizen or Permanent Resident

We expect athletes to commit to working hard on their training, skill development and being receptive to honest coaching. In addition, players will need to travel to training camps and tournaments in 2018 and 2019. The coaches will communicate how many such events will be part of the process before a firm commitment is required from the players.

Interested players need to be able to cover the cost of the tournament travel, team registration, required gear and uniforms, travel to training camp(s) and tournament(s) as determined by the coaches. Every effort will be made to keep costs as low as possible. Cost for accompanying parents are separate.

There are plans already underway for fundraising but a lot more will need to be done. All players and parents should be very active helpers in the fundraising effort.

Coaches will be announced later this summer. More details will be forthcoming from them about expectations for the players and parents.

Tell us now if you are interested in joining the team! Please complete this survey:

[Juniors Interest Survey - Sheffield 2019](#)

No payment is required at this point.

Warm Regards,

USA Juniors Steering Committee

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