

**HOCKEY PEI MEDIA RELEASE: RETURN TO GAME PLAY & EXTENSION TO THE
SEASON ANNOUNCED
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CHARLOTTETOWN, PE - As announced today by the provincial government, the expected Return to game play for sports teams is set for **February 17th, 2022**.

Hockey PEI is pleased its members will return to competition Island wide beginning next week.

As communicated by Hockey PEI on January 13th, the objective is to have all-female leagues work with league coordinators to play out all previously scheduled games. Should time permit prior to Provincials, coordinators will schedule additional games for league competition. One week prior Provincials, leagues will be tiered to determine placement for the Provincial Championships.

Male "AA" and "AAA" Leagues will continue with their scheduled games from the time Leagues are permitted to resume play. Coordinators will work with teams to ensure an equal number of games against one another, and the overall total number of games are equal prior to the Provincial Playoffs/Championship weekend.

U9 hockey will work with the Hockey PEI U9 Director to ensure ice times are scheduled through to the end of the 2021 -2022 hockey season.

Male “A” Leagues will work with league coordinators in efforts to complete all previously scheduled games. Leagues will then be tiered with games scheduled up to one week prior to the Provincials.

Extension to the season announced.

The Hockey PEI Board of Directors is also announcing today an extension to the 2021-22 playing season. The original end date for Minor Hockey was slated for the end of March, however, the branch along with its member association and facility operators have come together to provide an extended opportunity for members to participate in hockey until the near end of April in efforts to recoup lost time due to the interruptions caused by COVID-19 related restrictions in the province.

Provincial Championships are now scheduled for **April 15th to 17th** (for all female divisions, U11 A Male, U11 AA Male, U13 AA Male, U13 AAA Male, U15 AA Male and U18 AA Male division's) and **April 22nd to 24th** (for U11 Male Rec, U13 A Male, U15 A Male and U18 A Male division's).

The 2022 Provincial Championship bid application process will open this Friday, February 11th.

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Hockey PEI is the governing body for organized hockey in Prince Edward Island. Hockey PEI's main purpose is to foster, promote, develop, supervise, regulate, and govern the sport of amateur hockey throughout Prince Edward Island. For more on Hockey PEI and its programs visit www.hockypei.com or follow through social media on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#), or [LinkedIn](#).

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