

Bentstix Hockey Club Fee schedule 2024

Please note that the 2024 fee structure is only for this season and subject to change for 2025.

<u>2024:</u>

There are three components to fees that must be paid:

1:

NSW Hockey registration:	
All club fees are in addition to compulsory Hockey NSW + association (SEHA/ SHA) fees which cover insurance for the playing	\$197.21

2:

Uniform 2024:	
The cost for the subsidised Club uniform will be added to the first installment for all member and player fees types	\$70 \$80 with rainbow socks

3: + Select membership type.

Membership type	AUD (\$)	Comment
Annual membership fee to Bentstix Hockey club.	140	This is membership of the club as per Section 3.2 of constitution. This fee is non-refundable. MUST be paid prior to the start of the season by the date set by the sitting

		executive. Includes: - Voting rights at AGM - All training - Casual player membership - Social membership Anyone wanting to be a member of the club (excluding life members) must pay each year (inc Exec, player coaches, NEOs etc). Discounts can be negotiated as part of player assistance policy.
Full player membership.	Annual membership + annual player fee. (\$140 + \$415) = \$555	Covers all matches for the season. Can be paid in installments as set out by the treasurer, 3x payments. In the event of injury/change of personal circumstances players may apply for a refund. The total fees of \$415 can be proportionally refunded at the end of the season on provision of medical certificate and application to exec. Please note that the annual membership component is non-refundable.
Full player membership *Earlybird.	Annual membership \$140 + \$350 player fee (early bird price) = \$490	Must be paid in full by Friday 22nd March 2024 . (After this date full fees will be paid) \$350 can be proportionally refunded on provision of medical certificate and application to exec for review. Refunds paid out at the end of the season. Please note

		the annual membership component is non-refundable.
Casual membership	Annual membership fee only = \$140 + pay per match*	Each match played incurs a fee of \$40* *Number of matches played will be reported by <u>team</u> <u>coach</u> each quarter season and invoices will be sent by the treasurer for payment. Playing > 50% of season (usually 8-9 matches) matches will incur an invoice
		for the remainder of "full fees" (up to \$415) and player will become a full player member. If a player is eligible to play in the finals they would be expected to be a full paying member and will be invoiced accordingly. Full members will receive priority over casual members for team selection and field time during the season.
Team coaches / managers as player.	Full fees: Annual membership fee \$140 + \$415 + discount (-\$210) = total \$345 Early Bird: Annual membership fee \$140 + \$350 + discount (-\$175) = total \$315	50% reduction of <u>player fees</u> for team coaches.
Exec players	Full fees: Annual membership fee \$140 + \$415 + discount (-\$210) = total \$345 Early Bird: Annual membership fee \$140 + \$350 + discount (-\$175) = total \$315	50% reduction of <u>player fees</u> for exec members.

Goalies	Full fees: Annual fee \$140 + players fee \$415 - discount on playing fees of \$105 = \$450 Early Bird: Annual fee \$140 + players fee \$350 - discount on playing fees of \$100 = \$390	Goalies must play a full season in goal.
Social membership	Annual fee = \$140	Social member = club member This carries the same voting rights as a club member.
New player joining fee	Set at \$0 for 2024	Provision of section 3.3 of constitution requires new members to pay a once off joining fee. This will be set at \$0 for 2024

For reference: 2023 & 2022 fees

Membership type	2023 AUD (\$)	2022 AUD (\$)
Full	530	520
Early Bird	470	485
Goalkeeper	430	420
Casual club membership	130	130
Casual \$/ game	35	35
Social Member	130	130

Player assistance

Please see the player assistance fund policy for information on how to apply for assistance and the application process.

Applying for a fee refund

Bentstix hockey club understands that a players' circumstances can change during the season prohibiting them from playing. This section explains the policy and process for player's wanting to apply for a fee refund. There are 2 categories players can apply for a refund.

Injured players:

- Players who are unable to play due to receiving an injury or illness (including Covid related) on or off the pitch will be able to apply for a refund of fees for any games after a qualifying period of 4 consecutive matches. (example: player fractures ankle and misses 7 matches. First 4 matches missed are not refundable. Player then may claim a refund for the 3 subsequent matches).
- Matches beyond the qualifying period will be subject to a refund if agreed by the Bentstix executive.
- Players will need to apply to the executive team in writing via the women's or men's secretary.
- They will need to provide evidence of the injury/treatment plan, such as a match injury report, insurance claim, doctors/ physiotherapist letter.
- The executive will examine the application and evidence provided and issue a refund for the remainder of the season or the matches missed beyond the qualifying period.
- There will be no refund given on the annual club membership or the uniform.
- Refunds will only be paid after the close of the 2024 season.

Change of personal circumstances:

- Players who are unable to play due to personal circumstances such as moving away or a bereavement will need to apply to the executive team in writing via the women's or men's secretary. All compassionate reasons will be considered.
- They will need to provide evidence, where possible, to support their application.
- There is no qualifying period for applications under this category as individual applications will be processed by the Bentstix executive on their own merit.
- There will be no refund given on the annual club membership or the uniform.
- Players who receive a refund for part of the season will be unable to take part in the finals matches.
- All refunds will be processed after the 2024 season.

Payments

The club has many expenses and it is important that members assist the club by paying fees on time. Fees will be issued by invoice from the club treasurer.

Early bird fees:

• Ends Friday 22nd March 2024

Payments prior to the season:

At a minimum every player must have paid:

- Hockey NSW registration
- Bentstix annual membership
- New players only club uniform 2024 fee.

How to pay

Players must indicate to the treasurer how they wish to pay for their player member fees, options are set out below;

- Annual membership must be paid prior to the start of your respective season.
- Early bird qualification: All fees (annual membership + reduced playing fee) to be paid in full by 22nd March 2024.
- Playing fees in installments:
 - Players will pay 60% (\$250) of player fees by May 1st 2024
 - Second and final installment of 40% (\$165) by June 1st 2024
- Casual players: players will be invoiced at \$40 per game played per quarter season.

Failure to pay:

Bentstix have long held a policy of no pay, no play as stated on the club website and this will be strictly enforced.

Process.

- If players fail to pay by their self-nominated payment schedule they will be unable to take to the field for matches
- The treasurer will send a reminder to players in advance that fees are due.
- Players have 14 calendar days to make payment, after this the treasurer will inform the men's and women's secretary that a payment has been missed, the secretaries will make contact with players to investigate the non-payment and offer additional support/encouragement to pay.
- If there is no progress in a payment being made then coaches will be informed via the exec to not select fee defaulting players for matches.

- Players will still be able to train if they have paid the annual club membership which includes access to all training sessions.
- Once fees are paid then players may return to playing immediately. The treasurer will confirm payment has been made to coaches and the exec.
- Players who default on payment without reasonable explanation will continue to be excluded from matches. If players wish to play for the following season they will be required to settle all accounts and pay in advance for the subsequent seasons.
- Players will need to be financial with the club in order to take the field during finals.
- At the close of the season Hockey NSW will be informed of non-financial club members.