

## **MDHA U21 Report – 2024/25 House League Season**

The U21 team consisted of a total of 23 rostered players; 22 skaters and 1 goal tender.

### **Regular Season & Playoffs**

Our U21 team finished the regular season in 8th place with 2 wins, 11 loses, and 7 ties.

The team saw success during round robin play in the finals and earned a spot in the semi-finals. The team rallied to beat the first-place team overall in the semifinals to gain a spot in the final, where they earned silver medals.

### **Closing Thoughts**

While having a larger roster at the U21 level is permissible by the GHA, it was not well received by the players. Feedback from players was that having 22 skaters on the team was too many. Given that a team is only permitted to dress 19 skaters on any given night, this potentially could have resulted in having to sit players.

It is my recommendation for future seasons that the roster be capped at 19 skaters + 1 Goalie. Although it is ultimately up to the incoming U21 convenor and the VP/President, I would also suggest that over-age players be waitlisted until a specified date to give players who are age-eligible an opportunity to register.

My intention is to step down from the MDHA executive at this time. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the MDHA for the privilege of participating on the board and wish the future U21 convenor the best of luck.

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