



## United States Premier Hockey League Announces Formation of EHF South Division

The United States Premier Hockey League (“USPHL”) is pleased to announce the integration of the USPHL High Performance Youth Division into the Eastern Hockey Federation (“EHF”) starting in the fall of 2019. The EHF will maintain its name and current 11 team Elite structure along with its multi-level, multi member Tier 1 divisions under the USPHL umbrella. The EHF South will play a league schedule with the EHF South organizations which will be supplemented by games with EHF North Teams to create a strong regular season schedule. The mechanics of the North/South schedule integration are planned to be as follows:

- ❖ The EHF South Division Teams will play EHF North Teams that have a similar competitive level including the EHF Elite Teams. The structure includes participation in an expanded EHF Invitational Tournament on Columbus Day Weekend, 2 scheduling weekends of 4 games each (total of 8 games) and an opportunity to play into the EHF North playoffs in March to determine an overall EHF Champion.
- ❖ Team Placements for competition with the EHF North teams will be based on comparable rankings and a review by the USPHL League Office.

The teams participating in the inaugural EHF Season include the following 11 organizations competing at levels from Squirrt through Bantam (U14).

Jersey Hitmen	Philadelphia Hockey Club
New Jersey Rockets	Jersey Shore Whalers
Palmyra Black Knights	Hartford Jr. Wolfpack
CP Dynamo	CT Junior Rangers
New York Aviators	Wolverine Hockey Club
PAL Islanders	

Applications to participate in the EHF South Division are still being accepted for the 2019/2020 season. Please visit the USPHL website at [www.usphl.com](http://www.usphl.com) or the member organizations for specific information regarding team registration and tryout process.