

Iron County Yeti Billet Information

2024-2025 Season

Thank You for Your Interest!

We appreciate your interest in becoming a billet family for the Iron County Yeti, an all-male USPHL Premier junior hockey team based at KJ's Ice Barn for the 2024-25 season.

Our players are relocating to Southern Utah to join the team, and we are seeking local families to welcome them into their homes. The billeting program is similar to a foreign exchange program and provides players with the opportunity to immerse themselves in our community, gain new experiences, and thrive in a supportive environment. Players are aged 16 to 20 years old.

What the Billet Family Provides:

- **Private Bedroom:** A dedicated room with a closet for the player.
- **Nutritious Meals:** Breakfast and dinner are required, along with a welcoming home environment.
- **Supportive Atmosphere:** A patient, caring, and friendly atmosphere. ● **Guidance:** Provide the same level of care and attention you would for your own children.

Benefits of Being a Billet Family:

- **Monthly Grocery Stipend:** Up to \$500 per month for each player housed. ● **Season Tickets:** Complimentary season tickets to all Iron County Yeti home games for everyone in the immediate household.
- **Exclusive Access:** Invitations to special team events.
- **Lifelong Relationships:** Opportunity to form lasting connections with remarkable individuals.
- **Making a Difference:** Play a key role in the development and success of young hockey players.

Housing Dates:

- **Arrival:** Players will arrive in early September, allowing time for school registration and training camp.
- **Season Duration:** Housing continues through the end of the hockey season, which may extend into April.

Informational Handout: Hockey Billeting for Host Families

What is Hockey Billeting?

Billeting is when a junior hockey player, typically aged 17-21, lives with a host family during the hockey season. This arrangement is essential for players who move away from home to join a team in a new city.

How Does Hockey Billeting Work?

Junior hockey players travel to join teams away from their hometowns. As they are usually teenagers, they need a place to stay. Host families, also known as billet families, provide a home and support for these players during the hockey season.

What Is the Role of a Billet Family?

- **Housing:** Provide a private bedroom (or shared room if hosting multiple players), including essential furnishings like a bed, desk, and clothing storage.
 - **Meals:** Supply three meals a day, plus snacks.
 - **Support:** Help players adjust and comply with team rules. Offer internet access and, if desired, transportation.
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Do Billet Families Get Paid?

Yes, billet families receive a pre-established fee, typically about \$500 per month per player. This fee helps cover additional expenses such as food. If hosting more than one player, the payment can be up to \$1,000 per month.

Who Pays the Billet Families?

The team pays billet families directly. The payment is arranged through the hockey team management.

How Do I Become a Billet Family?

To become a billet family, reach out to a junior hockey club and apply to host a player.

Can a Billet Family Host More Than One Player?

Yes, families can host up to two players. Each player must have adequate space, including their own bed and storage.

How Long Do Players Stay With Billet Families?

Players usually stay from early September until the end of the hockey season, which is typically March, but can extend into April if the team advances.

What Does the Billet Family Provide?

- **Room:** A private or shared bedroom with necessary furnishings.
 - **Meals:** Three meals a day.
 - **Behavior Monitoring:** Ensure compliance with team rules and possibly impose additional house rules.
 - **Internet Access:** Must be provided.
 - **Transportation:** Players generally need to arrange their own transportation, though billet families can choose to assist.
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What Are Billet Families Not Required to Provide?

- Clothing
- Cologne
- Medications
- Books and magazines

Billet families are encouraged to assist if players lack essential items like a winter jacket.

Who Pays for Medical Costs?

Players are responsible for their own medical insurance and costs. Billet families are not liable for these expenses.

Can Players Join Billet Families for Personal Events?

Players are welcome to join billet families for celebrations or activities, though it's not mandatory. They will have time off during the Christmas holidays.

What if a Billet Family Needs to Leave Home?

If a billet family is away, the Billet Coordinator will arrange temporary housing for the player until the family returns.

How Will the Billet Player Fit Into Our Family?

Efforts are made to match players with compatible families. If issues arise, the Billet Coordinator will work to resolve them and arrange alternative housing if necessary.

What Support Will I Receive?

The Billet Coordinator, Todd Renae, will be your primary contact for questions and support. He will provide regular check-ins to ensure everything runs smoothly.

What Are the Benefits of Being a Billet Family?

- Gain a new perspective on hockey.
 - Experience the excitement of being a hockey fan.
 - Make a positive impact on a young player's life.
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For more information or to become a billet family, please contact the Billet Coordinator.

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