



An infographic with an orange background divided into three vertical sections. The left section is titled 'AGES' and features an icon of three people and the text '12 - 16'. The middle section is titled 'AIMS' and contains three bullet points: 'DEVELOP A HIGH QUALITY TALENT BASE TO THE PATHWAY' (with a lightbulb icon), 'OFFER HIGH QUALITY TRAINING AND COMPETITION FOR DEVELOPMENT' (with a hockey stick icon), and 'PROVIDE A PLATFORM TO IDENTIFY TALENTED PLAYERS' (with a star icon). The right section is titled 'COMMITMENT' and features an alarm clock icon and the text '46 HOURS PER SEASON'. The England Hockey logo is in the top left corner of the infographic.

What happens?

Players take part in six training sessions and four competition days at local Academy Centres. Dates and times are scheduled by the County Hockey Associations who run the Centres.

How do I get involved?

- Players are usually nominated to attend an Academy Centre by their Development Centre coaches
- Players may be nominated by their school or club
- Players can be nominated from the ages of 12-16
- Players who consistently demonstrate strong skills are invited to Academy Centres

If you are not selected for an Academy Centre do not worry, you should continue to develop your hockey through school, club and Development Centre activity. You may be nominated to attend an Academy Centre later in the season and can be nominated at any age group.

What are the entry and exit points?

Players enter Academy Centres in October. There are transition points during the year where players may be selected for a Performance Centre.

Who is it run by?

Academy Centres are run by County Hockey Associations. Contact details for your County Administrator are essexhockeyadmin@virginmedia.com



ENGLAND HOCKEY

ESSEX COUNTY HOCKEY ASSOCIATION ACADEMY ASSESSMENT

We are pleased to invite talented Hockey Players from your school or club. This invite is for players who have NOT already registered on the Player Pathway (If you have already registered you will receive an invite via The Player Pathway)

Essex are holding 2 Academy Assessment Days for each age group. The cost is £15 for both Assessment Days, it is much better if you attend both days because you are more likely to be noticed/selected.

GIRLS

U 13'S (BORN 2007) 15/9 at CHC 1-3pm & 4/10 at CHC 7-9pm
U 14'S (BORN 2006) 15/9 at CHC 3-5pm & 4/10 at CHC 7-9pm
U 15'S (BORN 2005) 15/9 at CHC 1-3pm & 20/9 at OL 7.30-9.30pm
U16/17's (BORN 2003 or 2004) 20/9 & 27/9 at OL 7.30-9.30pm

BOYS

UNDER 13'S (BORN 2007) 8/9 at BR 1-3pm & 4/10 at OL 7-9pm
UNDER 14'S (BORN 2006) 8/9 at CC 1-3pm & 4/10 at OL 7-9pm
UNDER 15'S (BORN 2005) 8/9 at CC 3-5pm & 20/9 at CHC 7-9pm
U16/17's (BORN 2003 or 2004) 8/9 at BR 3-5pm & 20/9 at CHC 7-9pm

Venues are

BR Braintree Hockey Club, CM7 5L J

CHC Chelmsford Hockey Club, CM2 8RL

CC Coopers Coborn School, Upminster, RM14 3HS

OL Old Loughtonians Hockey Club, Chigwell, IG7 5AB

**PLEASE BRING DRINKS, SUNSCREEN, SHIN PADS, GUM SHIELDS,
HOCKEY STICK, WATERPROOFS AND WEAR HOCKEY KIT (NOT CLUB KIT)
GOALKEEPERS SHOULD BRING THEIR OWN KIT**

Register using the link:

<https://www.playerpathway.englandhockey.co.uk/>

Click on “New player to the System” button.

Allocate yourself to Essex Development Centre & the relevant Academy Assessment Group based on your **YEAR** of birth (not your age now)

Register all your information including medical details and parental consent and set up a direct debit payment for £15

Email essexhockeyadmin@virginmedia.com to confirm which day/days you are attending

If you are successfully selected to The Essex Hockey Academy you will be expected to attend training & East competitions days & to purchase Essex County Kit (Not Player Pathway kit)