



# WHL Weekly Report

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**Brandon  
Wheat Kings**

**Injuries**                    #3 Merrek Arpin, D, upper body, indefinite  
                                     #39 Easton Odut, F, upper body, tbd



**Calgary  
Hitmen**

**Deletion**                    #23 Jack Poole, F, to North Shore Warriors U18 Prep (CSSHL)

**Injury**                        #9 Harrison Lodewyk, F, lower body, day-to-day

**Change**                      #11 Ben Kindel, F, with Pittsburgh Penguins (NHL)

**Additions**                    #28 Matheas Hejda, D, from NAX U18 Prep (CSSHL)  
                                     #34 Aaron Obobaifo, F, from Vancouver Giants

**Deletions**                    #2 Holden Wouters, D, to St. George's School U18 Prep (CSSHL)  
                                     #21 Joe Iginla, F, to Vancouver Giants

**Injuries**                      #4 Rhys Pederson, D, upper body, week-to-week  
                                     #18 Luke Powell, F, upper body, indefinite  
                                     #22 Jaxon Fuder, F, lower body, week-to-week  
                                     #34 Aaron Obobaifo, F, upper body, week-to-week  
                                     #43 Adam Jecho, F, upper body, week-to-week

**Changes**                      #8 Max Curran, F, Team Czechia 2026 World Junior Championships  
                                     #47 Ethan MacKenzie, D, Team Canada 2026 World Junior Championships



**Everett  
Silvertips**

**Addition**                    #5 Luke Vlooswyk, D, from Red Deer Rebels

**Deletions**                    #3 Cameron Dillard, D, to Red Deer Rebels  
                                     #8 Cole Temple, F, to Red Deer Rebels

**Injuries**                      #12 Lukas Kaplan, F, upper body, day-to-day  
                                     #38 Shea Busch, F, upper body, month-to-month

**Returns**                        #11 Carter Bear, F, from Team Canada 2026 World Junior Championships  
                                     #17 Julius Miettinen, F, from Team Finland 2026 World Junior Championships  
                                     #24 Tarin Smith, D, from injury  
                                     #37 Mattias Vanhanen, F, from Team Finland 2026 World Junior Championships



**Kamloops  
Blazers**

**Injuries**                      #22 Jordan Keller, F, upper body, day-to-day  
                                     #27 Vit Zahesky, F, lower body, week-to-week

**Return**                        #30 Ivans Kufterins, G, from Team Latvia 2026 World Junior Championships

**Change**                      #18 Harrison Brunicke, D, with Pittsburgh Penguins (NHL)

**Addition**                    #2 Keith McInnis, D, from Red Deer Rebels

**Deletion**                    #14 Kalder Varga, F, to Red Deer Rebels

**Injuries**                      #7 Peyton Kettles, D, upper body, indefinite  
                                     #8 Gabriel Guilbault, D, upper body, week-to-week  
                                     #23 Hayden Paupanekis, F, lower body, day-to-day  
                                     #24 Daniel Pekar, F, lower body, day-to-day



**Kelowna  
Rockets**



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**Returns**

- #10 Tomas Poletin, F, from Team Czechia 2026 World Junior Championships
- #11 Tij Iginla, F, from Team Canada 2026 World Junior Championships
- #20 Vojtech Cihar, F, from Team Czechia 2026 World Junior Championships
- #22 Nate Corbet, D, from injury



### **Lethbridge Hurricanes**

**Additions**

- #20 Matteo Di Stefano, F, from Yale Hockey Academy U18 Prep (CSSHL)
- #25 Liam McFadden, D, from OHA Edmonton U18 Prep (CSSHL)

**Injuries**

- #6 Brayden Smith, D, upper body, week-to-week
- #13 Enzo DiDomenicantonio, F, lower body, month-to-month
- #25 Liam McFadden, D, lower body, day-to-day

**Change**

- #23 Matteo Fabrizi, D, personal leave



### **Medicine Hat Tigers**

**Addition**

- #34 Andrew Basha, F, from Calgary Wranglers (AHL)

**Changes**

- #23 Veeti Vaisanen, D, Team Finland 2026 World Junior Championships
- #39 Noah Davidson, F, change from #34



### **Moose Jaw Warriors**

**Injuries**

- #4 Nolan Paquette, D, upper body, month-to-month
- #17 Lynden Lakovic, F, upper body, indefinite
- #34 Luke Moroz, F, upper body, indefinite
- #35 Chase Wutzke, G, lower body, day-to-day
- #55 Kash Andresen, F, upper body, day-to-day



### **Penticton Vees**

**Addition**

- #11 Charlie Michaud, F, from University of Miami (Ohio) (NCAA)

**Injury**

- #52 Morgan Tastad, D, upper body, week-to-week

**Return**

- #91 Tristan Petersen, F, from Team Denmark 2026 World Junior Championships



### **Portland Winterhawks**

**Addition**

- #35 Tyler DiCarlo, G, from Team Alaska 16U AAA (NAPHL)

**Deletions**

- #13 Jordin St. Louis, F, to Olds Grizzlys (AJHL)
- #80 Blake Clark, G, to Cloverdale Junior Hockey Club (PJHL)

**Injuries**

- #17 Carsyn Dyck, F, upper body, week-to-week
- #18 Kyle McDonough, F, upper body, day-to-day
- #28 Tyson Yaremko, F, upper body, day-to-day

**Returns**

- #1 Ondrej Stebetak, G, from Team Czechia 2026 World Junior Championships
- #77 Max Psenicka, F, from Team Czechia 2026 World Junior Championships



### **Prince Albert Raiders**

**Returns**

- #5 Matyas Man, D, from Team Czechia 2026 World Junior Championships
- #20 Ben Harvey, F, from injury
- #30 Michal Orsulak, G, from Team Czechia 2026 World Junior Championships



### **Prince George Cougars**

**Additions**

- #12 Ethan Hamilton, F, from Melfort Mustangs (SIHL)
- #26 Cooper Bratton, D, from Regina Pat Canadians U18 AAA (SMAAAHL)

**Deletion**

- #17 Shaun Rios, F, to tbd

**Injury**

- #2 Bauer Dumanski, D, upper body, day-to-day



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**Red Deer  
Rebels**

<b>Suspension</b>	#19 Riley Ashe, tbd games remaining
<b>Returns</b>	#4 Carson Carels, D, from Team Canada 2026 World Junior Championships #31 Josh Ravensbergen, G, from Team Canada 2026 World Junior Championships
<b>Additions</b>	#4 Cameron Dillard, D, from Everett Silvertips #6 Noah Chadi, D, from Grand Prairie Storm (AJHL) #8 Cole Temple, F, from Everett Silvertips #9 Cameron Kuzma, F, from Seattle Thunderbirds #25 Kalder Varga, F, from Kelowna Rockets
<b>Deletions</b>	#4 Luke Vlooswyk, D, to Everett Silvertips #5 Nikolas Ferry, D, to Grand Prairie Storm (AJHL) #8 Keith McInnis, D, to Kelowna Rockets #9 Matthew Gard, to Seattle Thunderbirds #12 Chace Turchak, F, to Calgary Buffaloes U18 AAA (AEHL) #14 Nolan Schmidt, F, to Whitecourt Wolverines (AJHL)
<b>Returns</b>	#6 Matus Lisy, D, from Team Slovakia 2026 World Junior Championships #14 Samuel Drancak, F, from Team Czechia 2026 World Junior Championships #18 Kohen Lodge, F, from injury



**Regina  
Pats**

<b>Returns</b>	#4 Kolten Bridgeman, D, from injury #10 Keets Fawcett, F, from injury #30 Taylor Tabashniuk, G, from injury #38 Dayton Deschamps, D, from injury
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**Saskatoon  
Blades**

<b>Deletions</b>	#28 Noah Fowler, F, to St. Georges School U18 Prep (CSSHL) #55 Mason Moreland, F, to Warman Wolverines (SJHL)
<b>Injuries</b>	#8 Derek Thurston, D, illness, indefinite #25 Tristan Mitchell-McElhone, F, lower body, week-to-week #46 Kaden Allan, D, lower body, week-to-week
<b>Returns</b>	#11 David Lewandowski, F, from Team Germany 2026 World Junior Championships #17 Dustin Willhoft, F, from Team Germany 2026 World Junior Championships #30 Ryley Budd, G, from injury #88 Elias Pul, F, from Team Germany 2026 World Junior Championships



**Seattle  
Thunderbirds**

<b>Additions</b>	#11 Seamus Dillon, F, from Prairie Hockey Academy U18 Prep (CSSHL) #47 Matthew Gard, F, from Red Deer Rebels #tbd Joe Gramer, D, from University of Nebraska-Omaha (NCAA) #tbd Cameron Schmidt, F, from Vancouver Giants #tbd Brennen Hochoy, D, from Swift Current Broncos
<b>Deletions</b>	#5 Hyde Davidson, D, to Swift Current Broncos #27 Kaleb Hartmann, D, to Vancouver Giants #47 Cameron Kuzma, F, to Red Deer Rebels
<b>Injuries</b>	#22 Simon Lovsin, F, lower body, day-to-day #47 Matthew Gard, F, upper body, day-to-day
<b>Changes</b>	#21 Radim Mrtka, D, Team Czechia 2026 World Junior Championships #86 Braeden Cootes, F, Team Canada 2026 World Junior Championships



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**Spokane  
Chiefs**

<b>Addition</b>	#44 Marek Howell, D, from Vancouver Giants #88 Tyus Sparks, F, from Vancouver Giants
<b>Deletions</b>	#31 Justin Perreault, G, to Dauphin Kings (MJHL) #96 Mathis Preston, F, to Vancouver Giants
<b>Injuries</b>	#11 Cohen Harris, upper body, week-to-week #94 Smyth Rebman, F, upper body, month-to-month
<b>Returns</b>	#7 Owen Schoettler, D, from injury #35 Linus Veillard, G, from Team Germany 2026 World Junior Championships
<b>Changes</b>	Berkly Catton, F, with Seattle Kraken (NHL)



**Swift Current  
Broncos**

<b>Addition</b>	#2 Colton Alain, D, from Vancouver Giants #14 Trae Johnson, F, from Victoria Grizzlies (BCHL) #30 Archer Cooke, G, from Drayton Valley Thunder (AJHL) #tbd Hyde Davidson, D, from Seattle Thunderbirds
<b>Deletions</b>	#3 Brennen Hoher, D, to Seattle Thunderbirds #24 Caleb Potter, D, to Estevan Bruins (SJHL) #35 Joey Rocha, G, to Weyburn Red Wings (SJHL)
<b>Injuries</b>	#7 Jace McFaul, D, upper body, day-to-day #33 Stepan Kuryachenkov, F, lower body, day-to-day #38 Marek Rocak, D, lower body, month-to-month
<b>Returns</b>	#4 Jackson Gillespie, D, from injury #5 Joshua McGregor, D, from illness #27 Brock Burch, F, from illness #28 Daxon Yerex, D, from injury #32 Sawyer Dingman, F, from injury



**Tri-City  
Americans**

<b>Returns</b>	#11 Cash Koch, F, from illness #25 Jakub Vanecek, G, from Team Czechia 2026 World Junior Championships
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**Vancouver  
Giants**

<b>Additions</b>	#tbd Mathis Preston, F, from Spokane Chiefs #tbd Joe Iginla, F, from Edmonton Oil Kings #tbd Kaleb Hartmann, D, from Seattle Thunderbirds #tbd Kaden Hayes, F, from Okotoks Oilers U18 AAA (AEHL)
<b>Deletions</b>	#2 Colton Alain, D, to Swift Current Broncos #5 Tyus Sparks, D, to Spokane Chiefs #8 Aaron Obobaifo, F, to Edmonton Oil Kings #19 Cameron Schmidt, F, to Seattle Thunderbirds #44 Marek Howell, D, to Spokane Chiefs
<b>Injury</b>	#36 Caden Cail, F, lower body, day-to-day
<b>Returns</b>	#13 Tobias Tomik, F, from Team Slovakia 2026 World Junior Championships #21 Adam Titlbach, F, from Team Czechia 2026 World Junior Championships



**Victoria  
Royals**

<b>Deletion</b>	#24 Koltin Herfst, D, to Fraser Valley Thunderbirds U18 AAA (BCEHL)
<b>Injuries</b>	#14 Cohen Massey, D, upper body, week-to-week



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#37 Max Finley, F, upper body, indefinite

#89 Miles Cooper, F, upper body, week-to-week



**Wenatchee  
Wild**

### **Deletion**

#18 Kolton Denich, D, to Okanagan Hockey Academy U18 Prep (CSSHL)

### **Injuries**

#5 Josh Fluker, D, lower body, indefinite

#8 Caden Campion, D, upper body, month-to-month

#14 Dawson Seitz, F, upper body, day-to-day

#23 Sam Elliott, F, upper body, day-to-day

### **Returns**

#12 Brandon Osborne, D, from suspension

#16 Michal Capos, D, from Team Slovakia 2026 World Junior Championships

#21 Darian Rolsing, D, from illness