

TSP 2025-26 TIMELINE

July 31 (Complete)

TSP Team Players will be automatically merged into the next phase of their contracts. Those players whose contracts have expired will remain on their given teams until such time the Offer Sheet Process has been completed.

August 26 (8:00 PM) (Complete)

Teams must make contract decisions on those players marked with three asterisks (***) on their roster. These players can be made known to the Commissioner immediately but must be in before August 26, 8:00 PM.

August 27 (8:00 AM) (Complete)

Trading Suspension is lifted and Teams may actively trade players, except those players whose contracts have expired (TSP Free Agents).

August 15 – August 31

During this time period The Hockey News will release their Annual Yearbook, usually by the last week of August. Once the Hockey News Yearbook is out, teams will be required to purchase a copy and provide their player position changes to the TSP Commissioner.

September 3 (8:00 AM to 8:00 PM) (Complete)

All Teams must announce who their Franchise (protected) Player will be for the upcoming season.

September 3 (8:00 PM) (Complete)

All TSP Trading is suspended until such time the Offer Sheet Process and Goaltending Team Draft is completed.

September 3 (8:00 AM - 8:00 PM) (Complete)

TSP Teams must announce which of their Goaltending Teams will be released and eligible for the Goaltending Team Draft.

September 9 (8:00 AM – 8:00 PM) (Complete)

Round 1 of the TSP Offer Sheet process begins.

Beginning at **8:00 AM, Tuesday, September 9** through to **8:00 PM Tuesday, September 9** as stated under Rule 6(d), Teams may make Offer Sheets to TSP Free Agent players.

September 10 (8:00 AM – 8:00 PM)

Round 2 of the TSP Offer Sheet process begins.

Beginning at **8:00 AM, Wednesday, September 10** through to **8:00 PM Wednesday, September 10** as stated under Rule 6(d), teams are allowed to make Offer Sheets to TSP Free Agent players.

September 11 (8:00 AM – 8:00 PM)

Goaltending Team Draft takes place.

September 15 (8:00 AM)

Trading Suspension is lifted and Teams may actively trade players. See below for Free Agent Players not given Offer Sheets.

September 15 (8:00 AM – 8:00 PM)

Teams may trade Free Agent players not given Offer Sheets. Those Free Agent Players not given Offer Sheets may only be actively traded from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM, September 15.

September 16 (before 8:00 PM)

Teams must announce which Free Agent Players remaining on their roster will be offered contract extensions as stated under Rule 6 before 8:00 PM, September 16. **Note:** These “newly” re-signed players cannot be traded to another TSP team until such time the TSP season begins. All remaining Free Agents will immediately go back into the Player Pool and be eligible for the TSP Free Agent Draft.

All Teams must also announce which players they intend to **“waive” (Buy Out)** before 8:00 PM, September 16, as stated under Rule 6(b)i and Rule 6(b)ii.

September 17 – September 25

Rule changes and /or suggestions can be made to the Commissioner. The Commissioner will maintain a list that will be open for debate on Draft Day. Only then can rule changes take place, and only for the following season, unless deemed necessary for the current year.

September 25

If a team plans on signing any rookies before the TSP Draft, they must do so prior to 8:00 PM September 25. No rookie signing will be allowed after this date until after the TSP Draft is complete. This is to allow data entry to be finalized without changes for the TSP Draft.

October 5 (1:00 PM)

TSP Rookie and Bidding Draft Begins.

Following the Bidding Draft, teams must sign their players to contracts and give those contract lengths to the Commissioner.

October 7

TSP / NHL Season Begins.

Trade Deadline

TSP Trading Deadline is the end of the final NHL game on the night of TSP game #57.

March ?, 2025

TSP Playoffs Begin.