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# EMPIRE BOUND

## Entrance Granted To Empire Junior Hockey League

The Jersey Hitmen organization is proud to announce its acceptance into the Empire Junior Hockey League beginning with the 2009-10 season. During a successful inaugural season as an Independent U-19 team, the Hitmen performed above the expectations of a first year program in its contests against Empire teams, as well as those from the Metropolitan Junior Hockey League and others. After submitting an application to the Empire League prior to the beginning of the 2008-09 season, the Hitmen learned of their acceptance just after the New Year.

As the Hitmen look forward to continued success the organization has formed an affiliation with current Empire team, the Jersey Wildcats. The two organizations will host a joint tryout at the Ice Vault Arena this coming week. Tryouts will be held Tuesday, April 7<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday, April 8<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, April 9<sup>th</sup> from 7:00-9:00 PM.

The Hitmen will retain U-19 Head Coach Chris Barling and Assistant Coach Mark Lotito to serve as the coaching staff for the Empire team. Please feel free to direct any questions about the upcoming season to our coaching staff, or general manager.

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