

2026-27 NHL Preseason Planner

65 games over 8 days - Saturday, Sept 19 through Saturday, Sept 26, 2026

Day-by-day game count

Date	Games	Seen?
Sat, Sept 19	7 games	
Sun, Sept 20	7 games	
Mon, Sept 21	8 games	
Tue, Sept 22	10 games	
Wed, Sept 23	4 games	
Thu, Sept 24	11 games	
Fri, Sept 25	4 games	
Sat, Sept 26	14 games	

Neutral-site games worth the drive

Date	Matchup	Site
Sept 19	Los Angeles vs. Vegas	Toyota Arena, Ontario, CA
Sept 21	Philadelphia vs. Washington	Giant Center, Hershey, PA
Sept 21	Montreal vs. Ottawa (Kraft Hockeyville)	Colisee Videotron, Trois-Rivieres, QC
Sept 24	Carolina vs. Nashville	First Horizon Coliseum, Greensboro, NC

Shorter than usual

This is the first season of a reduced preseason under the new collective bargaining agreement, which trims exhibition play to make room for an expanded 84-game regular season. Rosters run deep early, so lineups firm up as Sept 26 approaches.