



Tournament Features

An EMT is present in the facility during the entire tournament. Each player receives a FREE tournament program.

2019 Nutcracker Champions

Mite Donner GreenSteel City Ice Renegades
 Mite Donner Red.....Pittsburgh Gryphons
 Mite Cupid Green.....Mt. Lebanon Hornets
 Mite Cupid Red.....Steel City Ice Renegades
 Mite Comet Green.....North Pittsburgh Wildcats
 Mite Comet Red.....Mt. Lebanon Hornets
 Mite Vixen Green.....North Pittsburgh Wildcats
 Mite Vixen Red.....Mt. Lebanon Hornets
 Mite Prancer Green.....North Pittsburgh Wildcats
 Mite Prancer Red.....Armstrong Arrows
 Mite Dancer Green.....Steel City Ice Renegades
 Mite Dancer Red.....Steel City Ice Renegades
 Mite Dasher Green.....North Pittsburgh Wildcats
 Mite Dasher Red.....SHAHA Panthers
 Mite Rudolph Green.....Southpointe Rinkrats
 Mite Rudolph Red.....Allegheny Badgers
 Squirr Prancer Green.....Beaver Badgers
 Squirr Prancer Red.....Steel City Ice Renegades
 Squirr Dancer Green.....Mt. Lebanon Hornets
 Squirr Dancer Red.....SHAHA Panthers
 Squirr Dasher.....Mt. Lebanon Hornets
 Squirr Rudolph.....North Pittsburgh Wildcats
 Pee Wee.....RMU Colonial House Selects
 Middle School.....Avonworth



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We are limited to 64 mite teams and 36 teams between Squirt, Pee Wee, Bantam and Middle School.

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The regions premier holiday ice hockey tournament for AA, A (Major and Minor) and B teams at the Mite, Squirt, Pee Wee, Bantam and Bantam Select/Middle School NO Check level. The tournament draws a maximum of 100 teams from Pennsylvania, Ohio, West Virginia and New York. Age levels are based on 2020-2021 USA Hockey dates.

Top 8 Mite Challenge, 4 ON 4 Half Ice

We are looking for the top 8 mite teams for this challenge. Eight teams are divided into two equal tiers. Teams play a 3 game round robin and then cross over 1 vs 4 and 2 vs 3. Losing teams are done while the four winning teams advance to the semi finals and championship/consolation games.

Cross Ice Mite Divisions

All Mite divisions are played Cross Ice with two games being played on the ice at one time in the two defensive zones. Games are played 3 on 3 plus a goalie, cross ice. However, some top tiers MAY play 4 on 4, plus a goalie, half ice. We are limited to 56 Cross Ice teams. Teams will be divided into tiers based on team strength. Teams play a three game round robin, a semi final and a 5th championship or consolation game. Players born 2012 and later who are skating up on a Squirt team are not allowed to play in the Nutcracker, except girls born in 2012 who are skating on a Squirt ALL girls team.

Schedule

Top Mite Tiers, Pee Wee, Bantam, Bantam Select/
Middle School Dec. 26-28
Remaining Mites, Squirts Dec. 28-31

Games begin at 8 a.m. and run through the evening. Out of town teams playing Dec. 26-28 will play later games on Dec. 26. Out of town teams playing Dec. 28-31 do not play on Dec. 28 and play later games on Dec. 29.

Rosters

Teams must play with their regular league roster and may NOT add players to their roster for the tournament. House all-star teams are allowed at the Squirt, Pee Wee, Bantam and Bantam Select/Middle School levels if formed exclusively from the same in-house program. Mite teams do not have to be the regularly rostered team from the season and may consist of players from multiple teams throughout an organization. Teams may also be formed from players of different

organizations; however, such mixed organizations teams may not be permitted into the tournament based on overall team strength. Players born 2012 and later who are skating up on a Squirt team are not allowed to play in the Nutcracker, except girls born in 2012 who are skating on a Squirt ALL girls team.

Clock

Games feature three 12-minute stop-time periods for Squirt, Pee Wee, Bantam, Bantam Select/Middle School games with a 17 minute running clock for Mites.

Pee Wee, Bantam, Bantam Select/ Middle School Tier II Games

All teams are guaranteed four games with a fifth game possible.

Scoring System

Each game is worth five points. Teams earn two points for each game won and one point for each period won.

Awards

The winning teams receive the Nutcracker Cup engraved with all players' and coaches' names. First- and second-place individual trophies are also awarded.

Fee

\$1,295 per full ice team and \$795 per Mite team. Family and friends receive FREE admission to the tournament and receive a complimentary tournament program. A savings of approximately \$350 per team!

Out-of-Town Team Special

Out-of-town teams who stay at one of our official hotel partners pay a reduced fee. ONLY \$995 for Squirt, Pee Wee, Bantam, Bantam Select/Middle School and Tier II teams, and ONLY \$545 for Mite teams! Please contact the hotels directly for rates and be sure to ask for the RMU Island Sports Center discount.

Sheraton Pittsburgh Airport (Moon)

Sonja Matokovich • 412-375-5247

Hampton Inn Pittsburgh Airport (Moon)

Jackie Denny • 412-264-0020 x2

Hyatt Regency Pittsburgh Airport (Moon)

Hunter Todd • 724-899-6047

Returned Check Fee

A \$25 fee is charged for all checks returned for insufficient funds. This fee must be paid prior to further participation in the program.



2020 Nutcracker Tournament

REGISTRATION FORM

PLEASE PRINT

Team Name _____

Team Contact _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Home Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

E-Mail _____

Age Level

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mite Red Team | <input type="checkbox"/> Pee Wee A Major |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mite White Team | <input type="checkbox"/> Pee Wee AA |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mite Blue Team | <input type="checkbox"/> Bantam House Select/
Middle School |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Squirt B | <input type="checkbox"/> Bantam B |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Squirt A Minor | <input type="checkbox"/> Bantam A Minor |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Squirt A Major | <input type="checkbox"/> Bantam A Major |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Squirt AA | <input type="checkbox"/> Bantam AA |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pee Wee B | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pee Wee A Minor | |

Fee

- \$1,295 – Pee Wee, Bantam, Bantam Select/Middle School
- \$795 – Mite Teams
- \$995 – Full Ice Out-of-town teams staying at hotel partners only
- \$545 – Out-of-town teams staying at hotel partners only

A \$100 deposit is due upon registration with the balance due by November 15.

Please check hotel at which the team is staying:

- Sheraton Pittsburgh Airport (Moon)
- Hampton Inn Pittsburgh Airport (Moon)
- Hyatt Regency Pittsburgh Airport (Moon)

Please make check payable to
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