



**2019 GIRLS TIER II OCTOBER HOCKEY TOURNAMENT RULES  
(Girls only for 10U, 12U, 14U, 16U, 19U)**

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*ALL RULES ESTABLISHED AND PUBLISHED BY THE AMATEUR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION OF THE UNITED STATES (USA HOCKEY) SHALL APPLY EXCEPT AS MODIFIED HEREIN:*

1. A zero tolerance for verbal and/or physical abuse is in effect and will be enforced for all team officials, players and spectators.
2. Any coach, player, or parent ejected from a game by an arena official will result in the AUTOMATIC SUSPENSION from the tournament. The individual may not be allowed in arena premises at the discretion of the tournament directors.
3. Any Gross or Match penalty given will result in AUTOMATIC SUSPENSION from the tournament.
4. Mouthguards are required for the 12-U division on up as per U.S.A. Hockey Rules for Teams that apply. The Referees will enforce this rule. Mouth Guards and Neck Guards are recommended for the 10-U division. All Canadian teams must wear BNQ Certified Throat Protector. In addition, **Hockey Canada rules do not mandate the wearing of a mouthpiece at any age classification where a full face mask is required.**
5. All pool play games must be played. Any team that cannot stay for first round games due to any reason will lose their position in the playoff round and all rights to any and all awards.
6. This is a sanctioned tournament. The national governing bodies of the U.S. and Canada must register all players and teams. Teams must also be registered with the appropriate state or provincial association. THE USE OF ANY ILLEGAL OR UNAUTHORIZED PLAYER WILL RESULT IN THE IMMEDIATE EXPULSION FROM THE TOURNAMENT AND THE LOSS OF ALL FEES PAID. ANY PLAYER UNDER SUSPENSION BY ANY GOVERNING ASSOCIATION IS INELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE TOURNAMENT.
7. Only players and the immediate coaching staff as listed on the team roster may occupy the player's bench. Home teams are to wear their white (Home colors) and visitor teams are to wear their dark colors (Away Colors).
8. Teams must furnish their own penalty box officials. This individual is a game minor official and shall refrain from any communication with the referee other than that necessary to perform the job.
9. Rosters and insurance forms must be submitted to the tournament officials prior to the first game. Coaches only for subsequent games require signatures.
10. Teams must be prepared to start up to 15 minutes prior to their scheduled game time. Any team not ready to face off at the posted game time will forfeit that game. All forfeits will be scored as a 6-0 loss. The tournament director may overrule this provision should extenuating circumstances arise. NO TIMEOUTS IN ROUND ROBIN PLAY GAMES.
11. **Division Breakdown** – Will be established once teams are entered. Tournament director will notify teams.  
**10U Tier 3** - 7 teams – 1 division. Each team will play four games in one pool. The top 2 teams in the division based on points and tiebreaker rules will advance to the championship game.

**14U Tier 2** - 4 teams – 1 division. Each team will play three games in one pool. The top 2 teams in the division based on points and tiebreaker rules will advance to the championship. After pool play, the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> seeds will play in a consolation game.

**17U Tier 2** - 4 teams – 1 division. Each team will play three games in one pool. The top 2 teams in the division based on points and tiebreaker rules will advance to the championship. After pool play, the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> seeds will play in a consolation game.

## 12. Standings:

*International format for standings; 3 points for a regulation win, 2 points for a shootout win, 1 point for a shootout loss, 0 points for a loss in regulation.*

If two or more teams have an equal number of points after pool play, tiebreakers will be determined as follows: If one tie-breaker establishes a position for one or more teams, each team is placed in the applicable position. Once a team is placed, the remaining tied teams shall start the tie-breaking process over again at A. The tie-breaking rules are as follows:

- A. *Total Points*
- B. *Winner in Head to Head Competition*
  - a. *If all tied teams(three or more) did not play each other this rule is skipped.*
- C. *Most Regulation Wins*
- D. *Most Wins, Regulation and Shoot out combined.*
- E. *Goal Differential Total goals scored minus total goals allowed. (i.e. goal differential) **Maximum differential for a game is six (6) goals.***
- F. *Least Goals against*
- G. *Least Penalty Minutes*
- H. *Coin Toss*

## 13. CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND

PLAYOFFS ROUND TIE BREAKER: If after regulation time, the score is tied, there will be one - five (5) minute sudden death overtime period. 5v5. If the score remains tied there will be a second – five (5) minute sudden death overtime period 4v4. If the score remains tied there will be a third five (5) minute sudden death overtime period 3v3. If the score remains tied after 3 overtime periods. There will be a 5-player shootout. If this is a tie, a sudden shootout begins until one-team scores and the other does not. No player may shoot twice until all players have shot once. Teams will alternate shots, home team shooting first. Goalies do not change ends.

One timeout per team in playoff round and consolation games. There are no time outs in pool play.

14. Teams must be prepared to start up to 15 minutes prior to scheduled start time. 10U Division will play three, 10 minute periods. 12U, 14U, 16U, and 19U will play three, 15 minute periods. If at the conclusion of regulation time the game is tied, there will be a shootout. There will be a 3-player shootout. If there is a tie after three shooters, a sudden death shootout begins until one-team scores and the other does not. No player may shoot twice until all players have shot once. Teams will alternate shots, home team shooting first. Goalies do not change ends.

15. **PROTESTS** are allowed only within thirty (30) minutes after “protested” game is completed. \$150.00 Protest Fee is charged. Referees on ice decisions are not eligible for protest. If the protest is upheld the protest fee will be returned.

16. Awards will be presented to all Champions and Runner-Ups. Awards to participants in the Championship Game will be presented on the ice following the game. No parents or spectators are permitted on the ice following the conclusion of the championship game.