



## Clifton Park Youth Hockey Association Tournament Rules and Regulations

The following rules are subject to amendment by the Tournament Director at any time prior to the start of the tournament and a complete, updated set of rules will be sent to each participating teams' coach if any revisions are made. USA Hockey rules will govern all play unless exception is noted herein.

**Officiating-** All games will be officiated by officials registered with USA Hockey. USA Hockey rules apply.

**Tag-up/Delayed off sides-** will be observed.

**Goals-** Referees shall judge all goals from the ice.

**Team Bench-** Only players in uniform and team officials (up to a maximum of 4) shall be permitted to occupy the player's bench area during a game.

**Penalty Boxes-** Each team will need to supply a person "to cover their penalty box" for each game they play.

**Ice Resurfacing-** Ice Area personnel will resurface the ice only after the conclusion of each game.

**Be Ready-** Teams must be ready to begin play 20 minutes prior to the scheduled start time. Delays in the first face-off shall be subtracted from the time of the first period and a Delay of Game penalty may be assessed to the team causing the delay.

**Game Time- Commences** with a 3-minute warm-up starting when the Zamboni doors close. The timekeeper shall commence the end of the warm-up period by sounding the buzzer. Teams not ready will forfeit their warm-up time.

**Timeouts-** One 30 second time out per team will be permitted in each game.

**Mercy Rule-** The mercy rule shall be in effect for all tournament games. If at the start of the 3<sup>rd</sup> period or at any time during the 3<sup>rd</sup> period either team is ahead by 5 goals or more, the clock will commence with running time and revert back to stop time only if the goal differential is reduced to 3 goals or less. The maximum goal differential for any game shall be six (6).

**Games-** Four (4) game minimum, two (2) points for a win and one (1) point for winning the period for a maximum of five (5) for the game.

**Tie Breakers-** 1) Head to Head (two teams tied only), 2) Lowest goals against, 3) Goal differential (goals for minus goals against), 4) Least penalty minutes, 5) Coin Flip.

**Penalties-** Minor: 2:00, Major: 5 minutes, Game Misconduct: disqualification from game.

**Overtime- CHAMPIONSHIP ROUNDS ONLY.** 1) One five minute 4 on 4 sudden death period. 2) Shoot-out (three players shootout for each team), 3) Should a tie persist, sudden death shootout until there is a winner (no player may shoot twice unless all players excluding goalies on his/her team have shot).

- Official rosters due no later than 9/19/2014.
- Each participating team must be officially registered with USA Hockey or the Canadian Hockey Association.
- A team coach/manager must sign game sheets after the completion of each game.
- Each team must provide a contact person and cell phone number for contact during the tournament.
- Teams will be responsible for any damages or littering to locker rooms and any other area facilities. Please report any apparent damage directly to the Ice Area Personnel.
- Do not allow players to enter the ice surface until the Zamboni doors are closed. NO EXCEPTIONS!
- Teams must have two sets of game jerseys. The team listed as "Home" team shall wear its light colored jerseys. Teams listed as "Away/Visitor" team shall wear their dark colored jerseys. In the event of a color conflict or dispute, the Tournament Director reserves the right to make the final decision.