

CPYHA



CPYHA Top Shelf Tournament

General Rules

Playing Rules: USAH requires that our tournament be registered and that all participating players, coaches, officials and teams be USA Hockey/Hockey Canada/NYSAHA registered. USA Hockey rules and penalties shall be enforced for all games.

Length of game/Game Format:

- All teams guaranteed 3 games
- A three-minute warm-up will be given to each game.
- Period Lengths vary for age levels;
 - 10U games will consist of “3” twelve-minute periods
 - 12U games will consist of “3” fifteen-minute periods

Regulations:

- Teams must be prepared to play Friday afternoon.
- Tournament rules require players only to be allowed to play in the birth year of the division they are playing in.
- Eligible Players- Only players whose names appear on the first game sheet are eligible to play.
- Players may play for only one team registered in the tournament.
- To be eligible for the Semi-Finals or Finals you must play in at least one pool play game
- **Team Representative Registration Process:** A coach/manager is required to check-in at the tournament registration/raffle table one hour prior to their first scheduled game.
- The scorekeeper can collect the score sheet from the Tournament Director at the raffle table prior to the start of each game.

- Following the completion of each game the scorekeeper will hand each coach a copy of the score sheet, after the referees and coaches have reviewed and signed the sheet
- Home team will wear WHITE jerseys and visiting team will wear DARK jerseys.
- All teams should arrive at **Clifton Park Ice Arena** one hour prior to their scheduled game time.

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- All players must wear numbered uniforms in the proper team colors.

Rules:

- This tournament is sanctioned by USA Hockey. The following USA Hockey rules may differ or may not be recognized by teams from Canada or NYSAHA teams.
- All USAH players Pee Wee through Midget age classifications must wear a colored (non-clear) internal mouthpiece. Teams will be issued a warning for their first violation. A misconduct penalty shall be assessed to any player, including goalkeeper, for a subsequent violation during that game.
- All Hockey Canada players must follow equipment rules that are recognized by their governing body. Hockey Canada requires a BNQ certified throat protector neck guard for all youth classifications. **Hockey Canada rules do not mandate wearing a mouthpiece at age classifications where a full-face mask is required.**
- **Post-Game Handshakes-** Teams will line up at center ice after the game for the handshake.
- **Timeouts:** One 30-second timeout per team is permitted during all tournament games.
- Fast and Fair Face-Off/Line Change will be in effect. Five seconds for visiting team to change, eight seconds for the home team to change and five seconds till puck drops.
- **Penalties:** 10U Minor - 1:30 minutes, Major - 5:00 minutes
12U Minor - 2:00 minutes, Major - 5:00 minutes
- Any player who receives a major penalty for fighting, or a game misconduct of any kind in a game, will automatically be suspended from the remainder of that game and his/her next game. USA Hockey Official Playing Rules will govern the assessment of penalties.
- Any player receiving five or more penalties in one game must sit the following game.
- If a team receives 15 or more penalties in one game, the head coach must sit the following game.

- At the conclusion of each game, the coach of each team will be responsible for reviewing the score sheet (front and back) to determine whether any player or team official has been suspended or disqualified from participating in any future game.
- All USA Hockey and Hockey Canada teams in the 12U age classification will play under the Body Contact (non-check) rules.
- Anyone receiving a game misconduct MUST sit the next game.
- Anyone receiving a MATCH penalty is disqualified from further play pending a hearing
- **Mercy Rule-** If a team has a six (6) goal spread or more anytime during the third period a running clock will start. The score clock operator will only show a 6 goal differential and add a goal to each side until the differential drops to 4 goals or less. A maximum of 9 goals will be shown on the scoreboard in these situations.
- The Tournament Director reserves the right to take the necessary measures to ensure a safe tournament for the participants, including the modification of any rules which is deemed to be in the tournament's best interest.
- In case of unforeseen delays, the tournament leadership has the right to alter the period length to keep the tournament on schedule. In these instances, games could be subject to curfew or prematurely ended to prevent further delays. Examples of this scenario would be an occurrence of a major injury, ice surface, or safety related issues.

Players, Coaches, Team Personal, Parents Conduct Policy:

- Coaches, Parents and Team Personnel. Coaches, parents and other team or association personnel may be suspended or expelled from participation in CPYHA Tournaments, including all games and removal from the rink premises, for conduct deemed by the Tournament Director to be detrimental to the best interests of youth hockey. Such conduct shall include, but not be limited to, the following:
 1. fighting or inciting others to fight;
 2. obscene language, conduct or behavior;
 3. language, conduct or behavior intended to intimidate others;
 4. refusal and/or failure to immediately heed a directive from a referee, from authorized rink personnel, or from the Tournament Director.
- Players- Any player who receives a major penalty for fighting, or a game misconduct of any kind, in a game, shall automatically be suspended from the balance of that game and his next game. USA Hockey Official Playing Rules shall govern the assessment of penalties. At the conclusion of each game, the coach of each team, as well as the Tournament Director shall be responsible for reviewing the score sheet (front and back) to determine whether any player or team official has been suspended or disqualified from participating in any future game.

Officials/Off-Ice Officials:

- All tournament officials will be current members that are in good standing with USA Hockey and are deemed qualified to officiate at the level he/she is assigned.
- A **ZERO** tolerance policy for verbal abuse is in effect and will be enforced for all **team officials, players and spectators.**
- The tournament has **NO** authority or ability to overturn or change any on-ice call made by the on-ice officials, or make changes to a game sheet, once signed by the officials.
- The tournament will provide scorekeepers and proper off ice officials.
- Penalty Box Officials – **Each team is required to supply one adult (18 years of age or older) to server as the Penalty Box Official for their team.**

Point System:

Each team will play the other teams in the division in round robin play. The top two ranked teams from the division will play for the tournament championship.

Each game in the round robin play will be scored utilizing a 5 point system.

-The victor of each period, as determined by the goal differential in that period, will be awarded one point.

- In the event of a tie in a period (net zero goal differential) each team will be awarded one-half point.

- The winning team for the game will be awarded an additional two points. In the case of a tie game at the end of regulation play, each team will be awarded one point.

At the conclusion of the round, the teams will be ranked utilizing the following criteria:

1. Points
2. Head to head (if conclusive)
3. Goal differential (Max 6 goals per game)
4. Goals Against (No maximum)
5. Goals For (No maximum)
6. Penalties (fewest)
7. Coin toss

In the event of a tie score at the end of regulation play in playoff game, the following procedure will be followed to determine a victor:

1. One 5 minute sudden death overtime period (4 on 4)
2. 3 man shootout – each player only shoots once and most goals win (Home team shoots first)
3. Continued shoot out through the remaining roster in a sudden-death format. Once the roster is exhausted then it will continue using the same order until a victor is declared

Forfeit:

- Offending teams will be assessed a 1-0 loss. All games played by a disqualified team will be forfeited. No monies will be refunded. For game scoring a 6 goal differential will only be counted. For example if you win 10-1 it will only be counted as 7-1, a 6 goal differential.

Notes:

- Players who are currently serving a penalty are ineligible to participate in the shootout and shall remain in the penalty box during the shootout.
- All players not actively participating in the shootout must remain on their bench.
- Goalkeepers may be substituted, but no warm-up time is allowed.
- On Ice officials will keep track of players shot.
- Scorekeeper will also keep track of all players shot.
- All rules governing a penalty shot (rule 406) shall be in effect.