



# 2016 AAA HOCKEY SUMMER CHALLENGE

## **TOURNAMENT RULES**

### **Players / Rosters:**

- 1) Players: All tournament players must be listed on your first game sheet, which will become your final tournament roster.
- 2) Roster Size: Maximum of 20 players may be registered.
- 2) Each team must be prepared to furnish proof of age for any of its players upon the tournament director's request. Failure to do so will mean the expulsion of that player from the tournament until such proof can be shown.
- 3) No Protests will be accepted!
- 4) A player must participate in at least 2 (two) game during the round robin portion of the tournament to be eligible for the playoff round.

### **Game & Playing Rules:**

- 1) All teams are guaranteed 4 games.
- 2) Game Length: Periods will be 13, 13, 15 minutes for all age classifications.  
Penalties: 2 minute minor, 5 minute major, 10 minute misconduct
- 3) Scoring: 2 points for a win, 1 point for a tie, 0 points for a loss.
- 4) There will be NO overtime in the Round Robin portion of the tournament.
- 5) Time Outs: No time outs allowed **except in finals** where only one time out will be allowed per team.
- 6) Mercy Rule: If by or at any time during the third period one team is ahead by 6 goals or more, running time will commence and will not revert back. If by or at any time during the third period one team is ahead by 10 goals or more, the game will end. The maximum goal differential (for plus/minus purposes) will be 10.
- 7) Slap shots will be allowed for 2005 age classification and above only.
- 8) Body Contact (Checking): Body checking will be permitted in the 2003 division and above only.
- 9) Game Misconducts: Any player receiving a game misconduct will be suspended for the next game as per USA Hockey rules.
- 10) Match Penalties: Will result in expulsion from the tournament and will be reported to USA or Canadian Hockey.
- 11) Coaches and Trainers: A maximum of four coaches/trainers are allowed behind the bench during games. Each team may also provide their own medical trainer.

- 12) Penalty Box: Each team must provide a penalty box attendant during each game. All attendees should be certified as per USA Hockey requirements.
- 13) Ice Resurface: The ice will be resurfaced after each game.
- 14) No Red Line: We will be playing with NO red line. Therefore, 2 line passes will be permitted.
- 15) Game Time: All teams must be ready to start games as early as 15 minutes prior to the scheduled start times. Tournament officials will notify teams accordingly when teams report for games.
- 16) Behavior: Coaches and Managers are responsible for controlling their players and parents to insure that each game is played safely, with no vulgar language or harmful infractions displayed. Team management is responsible for any damages caused by their children to arena facility. **Unruly fans will be ejected from the facility for the remainder of the tournament.**
- 17) Liability waiver: The tournament will not be responsible for injuries to a player, coach, or spectator, or the transport of injured players. It is the team's and parent's responsibility to insure that all of your players are covered by insurance prior to the tournament.
- 18) Disputes: Tournament Director and/or Tournament Head Referee can waive any rule and make any final decisions as necessary.

### **Divisional Tie-Breakers**

- 1) Most Games Won
- 2) Head to Head
- 3) Best differential (formula= Goals for + Goals against/goals against)  
Team with higher percentage will advance.
- 4) Least goals allowed
- 5) Most goals for
- 6) Least Penalty minutes during tournament

### **Quarter-Finals/Semi-Finals/Finals Tie Breakers**

- 1) One, Five minute sudden death period, 5 on 5 with Goaltender
- 2) One, Five minute sudden death period, 4 on 4 with Goaltender
- 3) One, Five minute sudden death period, 3 on 3 with Goaltender
- 4) Shoot-Out, Three penalty shots for each team, if tie persists, one penalty shot each until a winner is determined.