

## **Tournament Rules Birthplace of Hockey**

All Hockey Canada and N.S.S.A.F. rules apply in addition to:

- All tournament games will be 15-minute stop time.
- In the event one team is leading by five goals or more in the third period, time will revert to straight running time and does not revert to stop time even if the margin is reduced.
- If a game is tied after regulation 45 minutes, there will be a five minute 3 on 3 and if still tied, 3 players from each team will be selected for a shoot-out and if still not decided, it will go to a sudden-death shoot-out. Before a player is allowed to take a second shot in the shoot-out, every player on that team must have been used for one shot.
- Points for the round-robin will be awarded as follows: 3 points for regulation win, 2 points for overtime/shoot-out win, 1 point for an overtime/shoot-out loss and 0 points for regulation loss.
- Each team is allowed qty. 1 - 30 Second timeout per game
- Any team failing to show for a game will lose by default by a 5-0 score.
- Any coach or team official who in the opinion of the tournament committee displays poor sportsmanship or bad example, they will be suspended from the tournament.
- The Coach or a Team Official shall be responsible for their team on and off the ice and in the dressing room.
- The Coach will have his team in the arena 30 minutes before game time.
- The Coach and Team will vacate the dressing room within 20 minutes of completion of their game and leave it clean.
- Protests shall not be allowed during the tournament; referee's decisions are final.

### **Tie-Breaking formula to decide who advances to playoffs:**

1. If two teams are tied in the same division after completion of round robin, the tie breaker will be on head-to-head competition between those two clubs in the round-robin and the winner will be given the higher placing for playoff seeding.
2. If three teams are tied after round-robin, the first tie-breaking scenario will be based solely on goals for and against in games between the tied teams. If one team scores 11 goals and allows 4 in the games between the tied teams, they will be given a +7 and the highest + figure will get the highest seeding.
3. If still tied after this, the team accumulating the fewest penalty minutes over the games involving the tied teams will be given highest seeding.
4. If by some minuet chance, we still have a three-way tie, a coin-flip will take place.
5. In all semi-final games and the championship game, if the game is tied after 45 minutes, a five minute 3 on 3 will transpire and if still tied, 3 players from each team will be involved in a shoot-out and if a tie still exists, it will go to a sudden-death shoot-out and the rules will be the same as round-robin, a player will only be allowed to shoot a second time once every player on their team has shot once.

All Tournament Committee decisions are FINAL