



9th Annual Thanksgiving Tournament

November 18 – November 28, 2010

Tournament Rules

1. All teams must be USA Hockey sanctioned.
2. The **USA Hockey Zero Tolerance Policy** will be enforced.
3. Teams are encouraged but not required to exchange pins with the opposing teams prior to games.
4. All players must wear proper equipment in accordance with USA Hockey.
5. The tournament will furnish all timekeepers and scorekeepers for all games.
6. Each team will be responsible for and is expected to furnish one adult to run its penalty box.
7. Injured players on the bench must wear team jerseys and helmets.
8. Game officials will be members of the RI Hockey Referees Association.
9. All games will have a brief warm-up period prior to their start.
10. Mite games in the tournament will consist of three ten minute stop-time periods. Squirts, Peewees and Bantam will consist of three twelve minute stop time periods.
11. At the start of, or any time during the third (3rd) period, if a 6 goal differential exists, then running time shall commence and shall revert back to stop time if the difference becomes less than 6 goals.
12. No time-outs allowed during preliminary games.
13. One time-out is allowed during semi-final and championship games. The one time-out can be used during regulation time or during overtime (not both).
14. Each team will play a minimum of 3 games.
15. Penalties: Mite Minor = 1 minutes and Squirt, Pee wee and Bantam minor = 1 ½ minutes. Major = Mites 3 minutes, Squirts and Pee Wee 4 minutes, Misconduct = 6 minutes, Fighting Penalty = Tournament Disqualification, Four penalties = out of current and next game.
16. There will be no overtimes, except in the semi-final and championship games.
17. Defaulted games, if any, will result in the awarding of a 3-0 win over the opponent of the defaulting team.
18. Determining ties in standings in advancing to championship games: a) Most points – Win=2 points, Tie=1 points, Loss=0 points b) Best record against opponent involved in tie c) Least goals allowed d) Least penalty minutes e) Most Goals for f) Coin toss
19. Determining division winners in semi-final and championship games in case of ties: a) Five minute sudden-death overtime period 5 on 5
20. Handshakes at the end of the games shall occur at the discretion of the referee.
21. Any game ejection consists of missing next tournament game, there are no appeals, and all referee decisions are final

22. ALL TEAMS ARE TO BE READY 15 MINUTES BEFORE SCHEDULED
START TIME...IF TIMES PERMITS WE WILL START GAME EARLY