

2019 Bulldogs Classic – Tournament Rules

All OLA Invitational Tournament Guidelines/Rules will be in effect.

All teams are to register a minimum of 30 minutes prior to your first game. Any changes to your roster must be approved from game to game.

All players/coaches/trainers must be carded as per OLA guidelines. These cards must be physically presented to the Tournament Committee Executive upon request.

As per OLA guidelines, **FIGHTING WILL NOT BE TOLERATED** and the players involved will be suspended for the duration of the tournament. All decisions made by the Disciplinary Committee will be final.

**GAME FORMAT**

All **Round-Robin** games will consist of 3 – 15 minute periods. There will be **no time-outs allowed**.

**Tyke, Novice and PeeWee** :The last 2 minutes of play in the 3rd period will be stop time when a goal differential of 5 goals or less is present. This will NOT change throughout the last minute (if the goal differential changes).

**Bantam and Midget**: The last 3 minutes of play in the 3rd period will be stop time when a goal differential of 5 goals or less is present. This will not change throughout the last minute if the goal differential changes.

There will be 2 minute breaks between periods. No overtime during round-robin games.

The **HOME** team is indicated on the schedule.

If a tie exists at end of round robin play, tie breakers will be as follows :

A) Head to head --- if still tied then

B) The OLA Goal Average Formula :

 **\_\_GF\_\_\_ = GOAL AVERAGE**

 **GF + GA**

 **Team with goal average closest to 1.0 shall be declared**

 **the winner**

C) Team with least amount of penalties

D) Team with lowest GA

**Semi-Finals**: Game length will be three (3) x fifteen (15) minute periods. Teams are allowed 1 time out. Last 3 minutes of the 3rd period will be stop time when a 5 goals or less differential is present. If the goal spread is 6 goals or above, time will be continuous. Should the goal differential become 5 (or less) goals, time will become stop time. There will be 2 minute breaks between periods.

If there is a tie at the end of regulation time, there will be a two (2) minute rest, change ends, followed by a ten (10) minute **Sudden Victory** overtime period(s), with victory being declared by the first team to score. No time-outs allowed during overtime period(s), unless the team hadn’t used theirs during regulation time.

**Championships :** game length will be three (3) x fifteen minute periods. Teams are allowed one (1) time out per game. Last 5 minutes of the 3rd period will be stop time when a 5 goals or less differential is present. If the goal spread is 6 goals or above, the time will be continuous. Should the goal differential become 5 (or less) goals, time will become stop time. There will be a three (3) minute rest between periods. Overtime will be scheduled the same as the Semi-Final rules.

Warm-up time on the floor will be permitted prior to the actual scheduled game time. In instances where there may be a late start, warm-up may or may not take place at the discretion of the game officials.

 **ALL GAMES MUST START & FINISH ON SCHEDULE !**