



Fairmont Youth Hockey Association Rules for Invitational Tournaments 2024-2025

A. Registrations

Please email your USA Hockey Roster as soon as possible and make sure you indicate which player is goalie.

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B. Playing Rules

All games are played under USA Hockey Rules as modified by MN Hockey with the additions of the Fairmont Youth Hockey Tournament rules. A current rulebook will be available at the scorekeeper's bench.

1. Only teams registered with MN Hockey or USA Hockey may participate.
2. Rosters shall consist of up to 20 dressed players and 2 goalies. Rosters must match MN Hockey rosters.
3. A maximum of 4 adults may be in the player's bench during games. No one allowed in the box without an IMR.
4. All teams are requested to be ready to warm-up 10 minutes before game time.
5. A 4-minute warm-up will begin when the first team is on the ice. Any team not ready to play following the warmup will forfeit the game.
6. Game Duration: Squirts/10U/Pee Wee/12U/15U/Bantams will play three 15-minute stop-time periods. **If there is ever a 5-goal differential during the game, the clocks will go to run time for the remainder of the game or until goal differential is reduced to 3 goals. Runtime will also stop while there is an injury on the ice.**
7. Penalties: For Squirts/10U Minor: 1:30 Major: 5:00 Misconduct: 10:00; For Pee Wee / 12U / 15U /Bantams Minor: 2:00 Major: 5:00 Misconduct: 10:00
8. Any player involved in fighting will be suspended for the remainder of that game and all the next game.
9. Time outs: A 1-minute timeout per team is allowed.
10. There will be a 1-minute rest between periods, unless it is an intermission that is requiring resurfacing.

11. Teams are required to supply 1 person that is age 18 or older to operate their penalty box for each of their games.
12. All participation players shall wear legal helmets, facemasks, and mouth guards always during the game. Any player sitting on the bench during games shall be dressed and wearing a helmet. Canadian teams must wear protective equipment as designated by CAHA.
13. All decisions of the referees are final. No protests will be allowed.
14. Cancellation Policy - If a registration is cancelled less than 30 days prior to tournament start date, FYHA will keep all the tournament registration fee.

C. Medical Personnel

All tournament games will have an Emergency Medical Responder on duty.

D. Referees & Officials

All tournament games will have a minimum of 2 USA Hockey Registered Referees. 4 Minor Officials for each game will consist of:

1. One Person as scorekeeper/announcer.
2. One Person to operate the scoreboard/clock.
3. One Person to operate each penalty box.

E. Age Classifications:

Out of state teams please be advised that MN Hockey uses July 1 as cut off for birthdates. MN may have players up to 6 months older than teams from other states.

F. Tournament Credentials:

All credentials will be inspected by the Tournament Coordinator (prior to each team's first game) to ensure that all participating team players and coaches are officially rostered. Please present all credentials information at least 60 minutes prior to your first game and be prepared to have the following documents inspected.

1. Certified USA Hockey Roster with coaches' information listed.

G. Ice Resurfacing:

The ice will be resurfaced between each tournament game for Squirts/10U/Pee Wee/12U. The ice will be resurfaced every two periods for 15U/Bantams.

H. Procedure for Bracket Play Games Ending in a Tie:

For bracket play all games will be played to a win-loss conclusion. There will be a 1- minute rest between regulation and the overtime period.

1. A "4-on-4", Sudden Death 5-minute Overtime is played using stop time. a. If a penalty is assessed on a team, the penalty is played out 3-on-4. If the same team is assessed another penalty, the penalty is played out 3-on-5.
2. If the game remains in a tie after overtime, then a "3-on-3" shoot-out occurs.

- a. The coach from each team picks 3 players to participate in the shoot-out and determines the order that the players shoot.
- b. If the game remains in a tie, then the game goes into a “Sudden Death Shootout.”
- c. The coach identifies the player shooting order of the remaining players. Note: The first 3 players cannot shoot again until the team with the least players goes through their full order (roster). If the shootout goes through the full order of one team, then both teams reset.

Example...

- i. If one team has 12 players, and the other 15 players, the shootout will start over after 12 players go, and no goals are scored.
- ii. If a reset of the order occurs, then the coaches from each team will be asked to choose the player order over again (all players will be included).

I. In Round Robin or Pool Play tournaments –

Games ending in a tie will be recorded as a tie for the game. All last round games will play to a win-lose conclusion, according to the overtime procedure for bracketed tournaments (shown above). Determining Final Round Pairings after Pool Play/Round Robin scoring is as follows: Win = 2 pts Tie = 1 pt. Loss = 0 pts. In case of equal team points after the preliminary rounds, final round pairings will be determined by MN Hockey tournament rules. (Pg. 31 of handbook).

J. Tie Breaker Rules:

Head-to-Head, Goal Differential (6/Game Max) (Against all Teams in Pool), Fewest Goals Allowed (Against all Teams in Pool), Fewest Penalty Minutes (Against all Teams in Pool), Flip Coin, always revert to tiebreaker #1 when down to 2 teams.

K. Off-Ice Warmups:

If teams have off ice warm-ups prior to the game, please use the warmup area for these activities. If running is required, please do that activity outside.

L. Other Information

1. **NO PROTESTS ALLOWED**
2. This is a **ZERO TOLERANCE FACILITY**, and no abusive language or actions will be tolerated. Any inappropriate action will lead to expulsion from the game. In more serious cases expulsion could be for the weekend.
3. Please read the arena rules and familiarize your players and parents with these rules.
4. The tournament promoters, officials, arena personnel and all persons connected with the tournaments shall not be held liable for injuries or losses sustained during the tournaments.
5. Bad Weather: No games shall be rescheduled.

Thank you for coming to our tournament! Updated: 5/1/2024