

# 2023-24 Inver Grove Heights Pee Wee & U12 Tournament Format, Rules and Regulations

Pool play, guaranteed 4 games per team, first team listed on the line is home team and wears white jerseys.

## Points awarded per game-

3 points awarded total if team wins and no goals scored against them (goalie had a shut out)

2 points awarded total if team wins

1 point to each team if it results in a tie

0 points for a loss

## **Pool Play Rankings- NO OVERTIME IN POOL PLAY**

All pool winners and rankings will be determined by total pool game points earned. If there is a tie amongst the pool, rankings will be determined in this order-

- Head to head play
- Total sum of goal differential
- Total fewest goals allowed
- Total fewest penalty minutes
- Coin flip

\*\*\* Official rankings are posted after all of the pool play games are complete

All games will be played under USA Hockey Rules, as modified by Minnesota Hockey and the Inver Grove Heights Hockey Association. Only USA registered referees will be officiating all games.

A maximum of twenty (20) players may be on a roster and dress for each team, for each game. **In accordance with the USA Hockey rules, no more than four (4) rostered adults (coaches and/or managers) will be allowed in the players' box during games.**

All teams must present the following at check-in, **minimum of 15 minutes prior to the first game of the tournament**

## **TEAMS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO PLAY WITHOUT SUBMITTING CURRENT ROSTER**

All players must wear **HECC approved helmets and face masks, and mouth guards must be worn at all times.**

A certified **EMT** (Emergency Medical Technician) will be in attendance at all games throughout the tournament. Coaches, managers, and players are not to help or move any injured player unless directed by the EMT. **Coaches are not allowed on the ice unless invited by an EMT or referee.**

Each team should be in their locker room 15 minutes prior to the beginning of each game, ready to go on the ice promptly following the ice resurfacing. **IGHHA reserves the right to start games up to 5 minutes early.**

IGHHA will provide game and warm up pucks.

All games will be conducted as follows: **3 periods with 14 minute stop time.** A 4 minute warm up at the start time of the game and a 1 minute intermission between periods. Game officials are allowed to adjust the length of time to the 3<sup>rd</sup> period and decrease the time of the period depending on the overall time remaining for the designated game playing time.

**NO** ice resurfacing during the games, only at the conclusion of each game.

Each team is allowed one 60 second time out in regulation play, no timeouts in overtime.

Running time shall be used whenever a goal differential of **five (5)** occurs in the third period. If the goal differential becomes less than five goals, stop time shall begin again. During running time, the clock shall not be stopped for any reason except for injuries or rink problems and only then at the discretion of the referee. Penalties shall begin at the face-off immediately following the assessment of the penalty.

## **PLACEMENT GAMES ONLY**

### **Overtime:**

1. There will be a one minute rest period
2. The teams shall not change sides
3. A five (5) minute sudden death (first goal wins) 5 on 5 overtime period with stop time shall be played.
4. Any overtime will be considered part of the game, and the unexpired penalties will carry over to the overtime period
5. If the above procedure does not break the tie, then proceed to **shoot-out procedure**.

### **Shoot-Out Procedure:**

1. Three (3) players will be selected by the coach of their own team
2. Each goalie will remain in the net as they were at the conclusion of the overtime period
3. The visiting team will take the first shot, each team will alternate player shots following
4. Each player will take turns making a shot. They will start at the red line, only one shot will be allowed, no rebounds. Players can start once the referee gives the signal
5. If a player loses control of the puck, it counts as a shot on goal
6. If there is a difference in goals at the end of the shoot-out, the team with the most total goals wins the game
7. If the game remains tied, a sudden death shootout format will take place until a winner is declared
8. All rostered players must take at least one shot before any player can take a second shot.

## **PENALTIES**

Penalties are at the discretion of the USA hockey officials. All decisions from the referees are final judgment calls and cannot be challenged. No tournament official can or will overturn a decision made by the referees.

### **Penalty timing is as follows:**

MINOR = 1:30 minute

MAJOR = 5 minutes

Misconduct = 10 minutes

Fighting = Automatic Tournament Misconduct

A **second misconduct** during the course of the tournament will result in automatic suspension of the player for the remainder of the tournament. Referees are instructed to eject any player who engages in fighting or deliberate action to injure, regardless of provocation, from the tournament.

An player who reaches four (4) penalties in one tournament game will be disqualified from the remainder of the game, and must leave the bench area and return to the team locker room. The penalty time will be served by another playing member of the team.

Any abusive language or conduct directed to the game officials by players, coaches, managers, parents, or spectators, could result in a 1:30 minute bench minor penalty. If issues occur before or after the game, the

player(s), coach(s), or spectator(s) will be out for the next game, including the removal from the arena depending on severity of the offense.