



2022 Tier II Arizona State Championships

Game Guidelines

All Games will be played using USA Hockey Rules and the USA Hockey District & National Championship Tournament Guidebook for the 2021-2022 Season

Time Management Rules:

- 5 Minute warm-up prior to start of game
- All 14U Games: (3) Sixteen-minute Stop-time periods (16-16-16), except as noted below
- All 16U Games: (3) Seventeen-minute Stop-time periods (17-17-17), except as noted below
- All 18U Games: (3) Seventeen-minute Stop-time periods (17-17-17), except as noted below
- One (1) 1-Minute time out per team per game
- There shall be an ice cut prior to each game and between 2nd and 3rd periods for ALL age divisions. Twelve (12) minutes shall be placed on the clock for the ice cut between periods and shall begin when the last player exits the ice. Upon returning to the ice, before the start of the following period, players shall receive a one-minute warm-up on the clock with no pucks allowed.
- There shall be a two (2) minute rest period between the first and second periods for All age divisions.
- All warm-ups, rest periods and ice cuts between periods shall be placed on the game clock.
- All teams shall be ready to begin play 15 minutes prior to the scheduled start time.
- All games shall be non-curfew games.
- In All Preliminary Round games, run-time shall be used if at any point the goal differential reaches seven (7) or more. If run-time is being used, the clock shall be stopped only for penalty placement or in the event of an injury on the ice. Stop-time shall be reinstated if the goal differential returns to less than four (4) goals.
- Run time shall not be allowed during any Championship Series game.

General:

- Each team shall place an adult (no players shall be allowed) in their respective penalty box for each game

Team Standings (Preliminary Round Games - for ALL Age Divisions):

- Each team will be awarded three (3) points for a win in regulation; two (2) points for a win in overtime or shootout; one (1) point for a loss in overtime or shootout and zero (0) points for a loss in regulation.
- After the completion of the preliminary round of games, the two teams with the most points in each Division will play a best-of-three series for the Championship of their Division. The Home team for the Championship Series will be the team with the most points after the preliminary round of games. Tie breaking rules to determine standings position shall be as described in the USA Hockey District & National Championship Tournament Guidebook for the 2021-2022 Season, Section U (2)(c).

All Games will be played to a winner:

- AAHA policies shall yield to the USA Hockey District & National Championship Tournament Guidebook for the 2021-2022 Season (applicable sections - see below).

Preliminary Round Games ending in a tie:

- If the game is tied following regulation play, one (1) five-minute sudden death overtime period shall be played. At the completion of the third period, the tied teams shall receive a two (2) minute rest period. Teams shall remain on the ice. The teams shall change ends. If the score remains tied at the end of the sudden death overtime period, there shall be a shootout. The shootout shall be as described in the USA Hockey District & National Championship Tournament Guidebook for the 2021-2022 Season, Section U (1) (a1 and b2 & 3).

Championship Series Games ending in a tie:

- If the game is tied following regulation play, one sudden death overtime period equal in length to the 3rd period shall be played. At the completion of the third period, the tied teams shall receive a two (2) minute rest period. Teams shall remain on the ice. The teams shall change/switch ends. If the score remains tied at the end of the sudden death overtime period, there shall be a shootout. The shootout shall be as described in the USA Hockey District & National Championship Tournament Guidebook for the 2021-2022 Season, Section U (1) (b1, 2 & 3).

Player Penalty at end of tied game

** Any player serving a penalty at the end of any tied game or at the end of a tied overtime period will continue to serve that penalty into the sudden death overtime period or shootout.

Preliminary Round & Championship Series Games (All Games played to a Winner):

- Reference: USA Hockey District & National Championship Tournament Guidebook for the 2021-2022 Season, Section U (1)(b2 & b 3).

Shootout Procedure. The shootout will be conducted as follows

1. A shootout is defined as a player attempting to score a goal and the opposing goalkeeper attempting to stop the shooter from scoring the goal.
2. The referee shall call the two captains to the referee's crease to flip a coin to determine which team takes the first shot. The winner of the coin toss will have the choice as to whether his/her team will shoot first or second.
The Home Team shall call the coin toss.
1. All goalkeepers and all players from both teams listed on the official game sheet shall be eligible to participate in the shootout.
2. The goalkeepers will defend the net they were defending in the 3rd period.
3. Any penalized player whose penalty had not been completed when the overtime period ended or who receives a penalty during a shootout procedure is not eligible to be one of the players selected to participate in any portion of the shootout procedure(s) and must remain in the penalty box.
4. The shootout procedure shall begin with five different individual shooters from each team taking alternate shots. The players do not need to be named beforehand.
5. The goalkeepers from each team may be changed after each shot.
6. The players of both teams will take the shots alternately until a decisive goal is scored. The remaining shots will not be taken.
7. If after the five-man shootout the score is still tied, there will be a sudden death shootout.

Sudden Death Shootout Procedure. The sudden death shootout will be conducted as follows:

1.	A sudden death shootout is defined as each team attempting a shot. Should one team be successful and the other team not, the successful team shall win the shootout.
2.	Teams will select their shooters to participate in any order in the sudden death shootout, whether they shot in the previous round. The last player in the 1st round of the shootout may be the 1st player in the sudden death shootout.
3.	Players in a sudden death shootout shall not be allowed to take another shot until four additional shooters have completed their attempts.
4.	All goalkeepers and all players from both teams listed on the official game sheet shall be eligible to participate in the shootout.
5.	Any penalized player whose penalty had not been completed when the over- time period ended or who receives a penalty during a shootout procedure is not eligible to be one of the players selected to participate in any portion of the shootout procedure(s) and must remain in the penalty box.
6.	The goalkeepers from each team may be changed after each shot.
7.	The official scorekeeper shall record all shots taken indicating the players, indicating the players, goalkeepers and goals scored.

Discipline (All Divisions):

- The Discipline Committee for the State Tournament shall be the AAHA Discipline Committee. The Committee shall act in accordance with Section V of the District and National Championship Tournament Guidebook, 2021-2022 Season.
- There shall be NO hearing for a game misconduct (or for player or coach suspension under USA Hockey Rule 401 (b)) unless deemed necessary by the Discipline Committee. The Discipline Committee shall hold a hearing on any Match Penalty prior to the team's next game.
- All suspensions incurred during the National Playoff schedule (i.e., in State or District Playoffs) shall be served during regularly scheduled games of the National Playoff schedule. In no case may such suspension(s) be served in a game occurring outside the National Playoff schedule by scheduling a game not included in the National Playoff configuration and having the player suspended for that game. Any player or coach on a team winning the State Championship who receives a suspension in the final game of the State Championships will serve their suspension during their team's next game on their team's schedule under USA Hockey rules **AND** during their team's next game in the National Playoff schedule.