



## Forty-First Annual Woodstock Legion Tournament

# TOURNAMENT RULES

1. Playing rules are those of Hockey Canada and tournament regulations are those of The Alliance. Special tournament rules are listed below.
2. Team officials must present their approved Hockey Canada roster sheets and Travel Permit to the registrar one hour before the scheduled face-off time of their **first game**. All players affiliated or otherwise, may register with only one team and must complete the tournament with that team. Team officials must produce their approved Hockey Canada cards before being allowed on the team bench.
3. The tournament committee reserves the right to make any or all decisions regarding:
  - (a) interpretation of the rules.
  - (b) objections or protests involving disputes or conduct of the tournament.
4. (a) A total of not more than 19 players may dress for any game. A team dressing only 1 player in goalkeeper equipment must designate another player on their roster that will dress as a goalie if the goalkeeper is injured and unable to continue playing. The designated player will be given a reasonable amount of time to change equipment.
5. All suspensions for Major, Misconduct and Match penalties are per OHF minimum suspension list. In addition, any player who incurs a major penalty for fighting will be suspended for the remainder of the tournament.
6. **All teams must be prepared to go on the ice 15 minutes before scheduled game time.**
7. All Minor atom, Minor Pee Wee and Minor Bantam games will consist of three periods of stop time (two ten minute periods & one fifteen minute period). The Minor Midget games will consist of three periods of stop time (one ten minute period and two fifteen minute periods). The ice will be flooded between the 2nd and 3rd period of each game (Atom and Pee Wee Divisions) or after every two periods of play (Bantam and Midget Divisions). There will be a three minute warm-up before each game. If a game goes in to overtime, the on-ice officials will determine if a flood is necessary.
8. The home team in each game will wear dark sweaters and the visiting team white or light coloured sweaters.
9. All teams will be guaranteed **three games**.
  - (a) Each Division (Minor Atom, Minor Pee Wee, Minor Bantam, Minor Midget) will be run on a pool format with two pools of four teams in each Division.
  - (b) There will be a three game round robin for each pool. **Teams will be awarded two points for a win, One for a tie in Regulation time.**
  - (c) The first and second place finishers in each pool will advance to the Division Semi- final. The team finishing in first place in one pool will play the team finishing in second place in the other pool.
  - (d) The winners of each semi-final game will play for the Division Championship.

- (e) If teams are tied for play-off position at end of round robin play the final pool standings will be determined in the following manner:
- i) if two teams are tied, the tie will be broken using the results of the round robin game involving the same two teams - the winner of the game to be awarded the higher standing for pool play
  - ii) if three teams are tied, the tie will be broken in the following manner:
    1. Rank all 3 teams in order of fewest goals against
    2. If any teams are still tied, rank them in order of the fewest penalty minutes
    3. If any teams are still tied, rank them in order of greatest plus factor for goals for and against
    4. If all above fail, flip a coin
10. In the case of a tie in any game, except the semi-finals and finals, a sudden victory overtime period of five (5) minutes stop time will be played, with each team reduced to four skaters plus a goalie. First goal scored to determine the winner. If the score remains tied at the end of the five (5) minute overtime period, the following penalty shot procedure will be used to determine the winner:
- (a) each team will select three (3) players who will each take one penalty shot unless the outcome is determined earlier in the shoot out.
  - (b) one selected player at a time from each team will line up at centre ice facing the opposing team's goalkeeper. On signal from the referee, both players will proceed to take a penalty shot on the opposing team's goal.
  - (c) all players are eligible to participate in the shootout unless they are serving a ten minute misconduct or have been assessed a game misconduct, gross misconduct or match penalty.
  - (d) if no winner is declared after three shooters the shootout will proceed to sudden victory format. No player can shoot twice until all players on the team have taken a shot. This penalty shot procedure will continue until a winner is determined
  - (e) the final score at the end of any such shoot out shall be recorded as one goal greater than the score at the end of regulation time.
11. In the case of a tie in semi-final and final games, sudden victory overtime periods of ten (10) minutes stop time will be played at regular strength. The first goal scored will determine the winner.
12. The Tournament Committee will not be responsible for any injuries incurred during the duration of the tournament. All precautions will be taken to protect participants.
13. Any of the rules and regulations may be altered or changed at the discretion of the Committee.