

### **Novice Tournament Rules:**

1. Game sheets will be presented to the coaches of certification prior to each game. Only players registered on their teams Provincial Minor Hockey roster are allowed to participate. No substitutions or additions are allowed without prior approval from the tournament committee.
2. Each team will play their game in accordance with the tournament schedule. Each team is guaranteed three games.
3. All games will consist of 1 hour and 15 minutes total time, allocated to a 5 minute warm up, 3-20 minute straight time periods with 3 minute breaks between periods. The final 2 minutes of games will be stop time. All games must be played within the time period.
4. All teams must be ready to start at the scheduled time. If a team is not ready to start at the scheduled time, the clock will start and the offending team will receive a "Delay of Game Penalty" which will commence when the offending team takes to the ice. If a team has not taken to the ice to begin play within 10 minutes of the scheduled start time, they will forfeit the game.
5. For each game there will be an individual player goal cap enforced. Individual player goals are capped at 5 goals per game.
6. Canadian Hockey and Alberta Hockey rules will apply.
7. All decisions made by the Referees will be final and **NO GRIEVANCE WILL BE ACCEPTED ON THESE CALLS.**
8. Coaches, players or fans that are abusive to officials, players, tournament organizers or arena staff, will be asked to leave the arena and asked not return for the balance of the tournament.
9. Team officials are responsible for their teams' conduct on and off the ice and will be ensuring their players conduct themselves in a sportsmanlike manner at ALL times.
10. A tie game in the round robin will stand.
11. Tournament position standings will be determined by the following point system:
  - 2 (two) points will be awarded to the winning team
  - 1 (one) points will be awarded to both teams for a tie game
  - 0 (zero) points will be awarded for a loss
12. At the end of the round robin, if two teams are tied in points, the tie breaker will be determined as follows:
  - a) Total points (W=2, T=1, L=0)
  - b) Head-to-Head (A & B) Team that won head-to-head game ranks higher
  - c) Total Goals against (team with the fewest is ranked higher)
  - d) Goal Differential (GF-GA) team with higher differential is ranked higher.
  - e) Penalty minutes (team with fewer is ranked higher)
  - f) Coin Toss
13. Medal games – The team with the best record will be designated the home team. Ice time will be the same as the round robin games. Ties will be decided by sudden death shoot out; the game cannot end until each team has taken the same number of shots.

13. Grievances will be presented in writing and a \$100 cash fee be applied to application. All grievance committee decisions will be final and the fee will be refunded if the grievance is accepted.