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Tournament Rules:

This tournament is on a small ice surface and will play the full length/area of the ice.

Coach Discussions

In the interest of fair play, we encourage the Coach of each team to discuss and determine prior to the game having balanced lines or matched lines. Please also discuss how many players each team has in order to determine if you are playing 3v3, 4v4 or 5v5 and advise the Referee accordingly.

Length of Game

Each ice time is 60 minutes and we will follow the rules and regulations of Novice Hockey in the PCAHA and BC Hockey guidebooks:

- 4-minute warm up,
- 1st period: 24-minute running clock with 2-minute shift change buzzer,
- 2nd period: 24-minute running clock with 2-minute shift change buzzer,
- 5-puck shootout; winning team wins Tim Bits for their team!
- 2-3 minutes to shake hands + leave the ice (last game – quick team photo).

Tim Horton's 5-Puck Shootout Rules

Following each game, the teams will participate in a 5-puck shootout. Only players that participated in the preceding game are eligible for the shootout that follows. We reserve the right to cancel the shootout for a particular game if it becomes evident that we cannot complete it in a timely manner, and it begins to impact the overall tournament schedule.

- Begins immediately following completion of the game. Goaltenders switch ends and players should return to bench before competition starts
- The competition will be referee led, with one on each end of the ice
- Teams will shoot on opposing team's net
- Coaches will determine the order in which players shoot, but are expected to change the order from game to game in order to permit all players an equal chance to participate
- Five pucks will be lined up across each blueline
- Players line up on the benches
- Upon the referee's whistle, the first player comes off the bench and attempts to score with a puck
- If the first player scores, it is the next player's turn. If the first player does not score, the player must retrieve the puck and pass it to the next player in line, who will be standing at the blueline near the bench
- After their turn, players should return to their bench and get back in line
- The first team to complete the shootout will receive a box of 50 TimBits to bring back to the dressing room area to share between both participating teams.



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Penalties & Game Play

Novice Minor

- **Equal playing time is mandatory,**
- No offsidess or icing and scores will not be posted,
- Penalties will be called by the Referees; however, no team shall play short-handed,
 - The Referee will call the penalty and talk to the player about the penalty and send player to bench; new player to replace penalized player, then let play continue,
- Face offs will be conducted after all stoppages in play.
- Gretzky Rule: The three-goal maximum is difficult to enforce with this age group and on the small ice surface, however, the Tournament Committee asks that Coaches make every effort to encourage players to pass the puck after achieving 3 goals,
- Coaches are not needed on the ice, except in the event of a Referee no-show so please ensure that one coach from each team brings skates and helmet.

Novice Major

- **Equal playing time is mandatory,**
- Team Coaches to discuss prior to each game if they would like to play offsidess, icing and changes on the fly; scores will not be posted. Advise referees prior to game on what was decided,
- Penalties will be called by the Referees; however, no team shall play short-handed,
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National Bank Financial Heart & Hustle Award

Each team will be given one 'Heart & Hustle' dog tag award per game. Teams will line up on blue line post 5-puck shootout where their own coach will award it to their player who showed the most heart & hustle of the game.

Medals

Medal's will be provided to the Team Manager for your last game. Considering we only have 60 minutes per ice time, and the 2 teams playing against each other may or may not be their last game of the weekend as well, please ensure there is either enough time left during your game to present the medals to your players on the ice, or if there is no time left, please present them to your players in the dressing room.



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Team Packages & HiSports

Thirty minutes prior to each game, please have a representative from your team pick up your team bag from the tournament office.

We have been asked by PCAHA to utilize the HiSports application. **Please ensure that you are familiar with the app and have logged in and entered your player numbers prior to attending the tournament.**

Before each game, please sign your game lineup. We would also like to ask the at the home team Manager or other designate enters the HiSports.App 'scorekeeper' tab and has the officials (referees) sign the game on your device. Please enter the periods as 2 x 24-minute periods. We feel that this will be better than having a volunteer who may not know the HiSports app sit in the box to just have the referees sign the app.

Dressing Rooms, Common Space & Restaurant

- There are four dressing rooms per sheet of ice. Each team has **30 minutes** before and after each ice time in the dressing room. You may want to bring a lock to ensure all valuables are kept safe while you are on the ice. Dressing rooms will not be assigned, however please ensure that you and the team you are playing against are using either rooms 1 & 3 or 2 & 4 and then the following 2 teams will alternate.
- The dressing rooms and the hallways are tight! Please advise your parents that it is best to only have 1 parent per player in the room if the children need assistance getting dressed and also to be mindful of the hallway space, so the players and their gear have room to get through to their rooms.
- Team officials are responsible for ensuring their dressing rooms are left in a neat and orderly condition. **If any damage occurs, the team will be billed for damage or clean up as applicable.**
- There is lots of room upstairs in the restaurant and mezzanine for parents to watch all the action! Please if you are sitting in the restaurant area, be sure to order something. If you are not eating/drinking, please sit at ice level or watch from the mezzanine.

Thank you and we hope your team has a great time at the 3rd Annual Boston Pizza March Madness Novice tournament.

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