2024 Toronto Aeros U22 Tournament – January 5th to 7th 2024 Toronto - Ontario

Rules and Divisional Setup



- 1) The tournament convener is Deb Kennedy, President of The Toronto Aeros Girls Hockey Association. Deb and her staff (both internal and external) will govern and operate the event.
- 2) The tournament will run during the following times:

Friday: 8am-11pm Saturday: 8am-11pm Sunday: 8am-4pm

- 3) All Hockey Canada and OWHA rules apply unless otherwise noted in this document. Please be aware that U22AA rules will be applied (Hybrid Icing, No changes on icing).
- 4) Team representatives must check in at the registration desk at least one (1) hour prior to their first game. OWHA teams may be requested to present a copy of their OWHA registration at any time for the duration of the tournament. Non-Ontario based teams **MUST HAND IN** a copy of their travel permit/sanction permit from their home hockey governing body prior to the start of the tournament. These requirements will be strictly enforced, as this is an OWHA sanctioned tournament.
- 5) Teams must be available to play up to fifteen (15) minutes prior to regular scheduled game times.
- 6) <u>Game times:</u> All round robin games will consist of three 20 minute stop time periods. The last ten minutes of the third period will be running time when there is a five goal difference or more. Timing will revert to stop time if the difference is reduced to less than five goals. There will be one 30 second time-out per team in all games.
- 7) **Flooding Schedule**: Flooding will take place prior to each game and after the first and second period. The tournament committee reserves the right to adjust the flood schedule if games start to run more than 15 minutes behind schedule.
- 8) Overtime: All games will be played to a winner. Overtime will be sudden death **five minutes** 3 on 3 skaters plus a goalie. If after overtime the game remains tied, the tie will be broken via a shootout.
 - In the case of penalties during overtime, no team shall go down to less than 3 skaters and the non-penalized team will add a player if required (3 on 3 becomes 4 on 3) until the first stoppage in play after the penalty has been served.
- 9) **Shootouts:** Shootouts to break a tie in the final start with a 3-player shootout. One player from each team will start at centre ice and skate in on the opposing goalie. Shootout on each goalie will take place simultaneously. If the game remains tied after three shooters, the shootout becomes sudden death. Shooters cannot repeat until all skaters of a team have taken a shootout attempt. Any player serving a penalty that has not expired by the end of overtime play may not participate in the shootout.
- 10) Minor penalties will be two (2) minutes. Penalties that are being served at the end of the third period will continue until completion during overtime if applicable.

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- 11) OWHA minimum suspensions <u>will be enforced</u>. Each team is responsible to report any suspensions incurred during the tournament to their OWHA Rep or hockey governing body. Clearance from both the OWHA and tournament discipline official is required before any suspended player can return to action. Any player serving a suspension must be clearly marked on the game sheet.
- 12) No body-checking in any division.
- 13) The center redline will only be in effect for icing infractions. (No center red line for 2 line passes).
- 14) **Format:** There will be 4 teams in this division. Teams will play a 3 game round robin. The top 2 teams will advance to the Final on Sunday afternoon. The bottom 2 teams will play their 4th game as a consolation.
- 15) <u>Tie Breaker Rules:</u> All games will be played to a winner, so there will be no tie-breakers needed for this event.

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