



U18 REP TOURNAMENT RULES & REGULATIONS

1. All games will be played under Hockey Canada, BC Hockey and OMAHA rules.
2. Goaltender substitution as per Hockey Canada rules. Substitute goaltenders will not be allowed any warm-up time.
3. Game sheets are completed electronically and must be verified online by coaching staff prior to the game. Please use the Spordle App.
4. The home team wears light-colored jerseys and will be responsible to change jerseys if there is a conflict of colors. If your team only has one set of jerseys, they are required to inform the Tournament Coordinator prior to the tournament.
5. Teams will be allowed a 5-minute warm-up. Have your teams ready to go on the ice at the scheduled time. Late teams will lose their warm up time. Time begins when the 1st team hits the ice.
6. Games will consist of: 1st period - 20 min run time, 2nd period - 10 min run time and 10 min stop time, 3rd period - 20 min stop time. If the tournament is running significantly behind schedule, Tournament Organizer may convert 3rd period to running time. Mercy rule will apply for all games, where stop time converts to running time with a five-goal difference in the 3rd period. Each team may have one time out per game. *Consolation, Semi-Final, and Final games will consist of three stop time periods. If the tournament is running significantly behind schedule, the tournament organizer may convert the 3rd period to run time. **Semi-finals will revert back to ice clean at the 1st stoppage of play after the 10-minute mark of the 2nd period IF the tournament is running significantly behind schedule.
7. Ice clean: will occur at the 1st stoppage of play after the 10-minute mark of the 2nd period and after every game. In semi-finals, bronze, and gold games, ice clean occurs after 1st and 2nd period. *Semi-finals will revert back to ice clean at the 1st stoppage of play after the 10-minute mark of the 2nd period IF the tournament is running significantly behind schedule.
8. Any player or team official receiving two major penalties in the tournament, a gross misconduct, or match penalty will not be allowed further participation in the tournament. Minor checking from behind penalty with the game misconduct will not result in a tournament suspension. If the penalty occurs in the last ten minutes of the game, the player will sit out the team's next game. If a second checking from behind (minor or major) occurs by the same player in the tournament, then the player will be ejected from the tournament. **Any player or coach that receives a game misconduct will not be able to participate in any games until the suspension**



has been reviewed by OMAHA or the team's home district and the assessed suspension has been served. The tournament coordinator will assist with clarifying.

9. Penalties in running time will be 3 minutes (minor) or 7 minutes (major). Any penalty assessed in running time or stop time will not be adjusted if the period changes to stop time or to running time. 2 min. vs 3 min. penalty will be determined if called during stop time or run time.
10. Players receiving a penalty must immediately proceed to the penalty box.
REFEREE'S DECISION WILL BE FINAL.
11. Throughout Round Robin play, teams shall be awarded **2 points** for a win; **1 point** for a tie; **0 points** for a loss. A team representative should check the game sheet at the end of each game to make sure that the game sheet is correct.

Once the game sheet has been signed off by the officials, and points awarded, no changes can be made.

To determine playoff games and home/away standings if two or more teams are tied at the end of the round robin the following tie breakers will apply in order:

a) Head to head will be used to break a tie if and only if all teams tied have played each other in preliminary games.

*Head to Head will only occur if all teams tied have played each other. For example, teams A, B, and C are tied. If Team A has played B and C in the preliminary games and team B has played Team C, then a head to head will occur. If team B did not play team C then a head to head will not occur.

b) If any teams remain tied then the teams with the best "goal average" will receive the higher placing. (Total Goals For) divided by (The Sum of Total Goals For and Total Goals Against).

c) If still tied, the team with the Lowest Penalty Minutes in games between the tied teams will receive the higher placing.

d) If still tied, the actual goal difference of all tournament games will be taken into consideration and not be capped at the seven goal difference per game.

13. Overtime: Will only be played in games specified on the schedule. In the event of a tie, there will be a five minute, sudden death overtime. Unless penalized, teams will play with 4 skaters and a goalie. The overtime will start after a two minute rest at the players' bench.



If necessary, a second overtime will occur with 3 skaters and a goalie and will continue without pause until a team scores.

If one team takes a penalty, they cannot have less than 3 skaters. Therefore, the other team will be allowed to put one extra skater on the ice. When the penalty expires, the penalized player returns to the ice and play continues 4 on 4 until the stoppage of play and then both teams return to 3 on 3 for the remainder of the overtime. Play will continue until one team scores. Any overtime period shall be considered part of the game and any unexpired penalties shall remain in force.

14. Any protests must be presented to the Tournament Organizer in writing within one hour of the game ending. Rulings by On-Ice Officials will stand. Decisions made by the Tournament Committee are FINAL.
15. If a team has serious concerns or complaints regarding game officials, they are to submit these concerns in writing, on their Association letterhead, signed by their Association President, to the BC Hockey Referee Committee Member (South Zone - OMAHA). A copy of the game sheet should accompany the letter.
16. **Any person that is abusive to On-Ice Officials, Timekeepers, or Tournament Volunteers will be asked to leave the premises. At the Tournament Organizer's discretion, referees may be asked to stop the game until the individual(s) have left the building.** Coaches and team officials are responsible for the conduct of their parents/fans in the stands and will be asked to address any ongoing negative or abusive behaviour stemming from their parents/fans. If you have any problems or concerns regarding the tournament, please see the Tournament Organizer.
17. Teams who leave dressing rooms dirty, damaged, and/or disrespected in a manner that requires cleaning and maintenance over and above what is typical (or that requires SOMHA volunteers to attend to) will be **subject to a \$200 fine which must be paid prior to the next game of the team responsible.**
18. Portable Speakers: music is to be kept to a respectable level in the dressing rooms. Excessively loud music will result in teams being asked to either turn down or remove their sound system from the facility. Teams are to refrain from using portable speakers in the parking lot for warm-up that would be in violation of the local bylaw. **Any team that is responsible for generating local bylaw fines will be responsible for paying those fines immediately and prior to the next game of the team responsible.**