



**PARIS MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION
ART COOMBS MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT
DECEMBER 2ND THRU DECEMBER 4TH, 2022
TOURNAMENT RULES AND REGULATIONS**

1. All O.M.H.A. rules and regulations shall apply.
2. **Approved roster sheets** must be presented at least one hour before the team's first scheduled game at the tournament office. **No roster – your team cannot play.**
3. Travel Permits are required by ALL teams including OMHA teams. Please refer to subsection 19.1 paragraph (N) for further details.
4. Each team is guaranteed 3 games. There will be 12 teams in each U15 and U18 divisions divided into an A & B division of 6 teams each. Each team will play 3 round robin games.

The top 4 seeds from each division by points after the round robin games will advance to the quarter final rounds. A crossover between A & B division will occur from the round robin games to quarter final rounds. If 2 or more teams are tied – see the tie breaking rules below **(line 19)**. Quarter final format will be as follows:

QF1 | 1st seed of Group A vs. 4th seed of Group B
QF2 | 1st seed of Group B vs. 4th seed of Group A
QF3 | 2nd seed of Group A vs. 3rd seed of Group B
QF4 | 2nd seed of Group B vs. 3rd seed of Group A

The winner from each of the quarter final games will move forward to the semi finals. The two semi final games will be play as Winner of QF1 vs. Winner of QF3 and Winner of QF2 vs. Winner of QF4.

The winners from the semi-final games will advance to the finals.

5. PMHA reserves the right to expand tournament beyond the initial 8 teams based on tournament registration and ice availability. In the event this occurs PMHA will amend the rules and regulations and display on the tournament website.
6. Participation in this tournament is based on a first to register **and** remit payment basis. No postdated cheques will be accepted to hold a spot.
7. The PMHA reserves the right to accept or decline any team.
 - i. One of the criteria for acceptance into our tournaments is that any team requiring accommodations must secure through our partnership established with Experience Travel.
 - i. Experience Travel has secured blocks at participating host hotels in the local area. Contact them early to book your team.
8. **Withdrawing from the Tournament:** Team must provide written notice of 20-days [November 12th, 2022] for a full refund. If a notice of withdrawal is received 19 days or less any refund will be subject to finding a replacement team. If no replacement team is found – no refund will be provided.
9. Dressing room keys will be issued to the Team Officials prior to each game by the Brant Sports Complex Arena Front Desk. The assignment of dressing rooms is completed by employees of the Brant Sports Complex.
10. Teams will be held responsible for any damages caused to the facilities utilized for this tournament. It is the responsibility of the Team Officials to inspect the dressing room prior to occupancy and report any damage previously caused immediately to the Tournament Officials.
11. Team Officials are responsible to ensure that the team's dressing room always remains locked. The Paris Minor Hockey Association, the Tournament Committee and the facility provider accepts no responsibility for the loss/theft of, or damage to any personal property left in the dressing rooms at any time.
12. **At least one team Official MUST accompany the team to the room with the room key after every game. Any hallway altercations may result in team disqualification at the discretion of the Tournament Official/Convenor.**

- 13.If there are conflicting sweater colours, the home team will be expected to wear sweaters of contrasting colour. Please bring 2 sets of sweaters.
- 14.Teams must be dressed and ready to play at least 15 minutes in advance of their scheduled game time if games are ahead of schedule.
- 15.There will be a 3-minute warm-up period prior to each game.
- 16.The warmup clock will start once the referee/linesman step on the ice.
- 17.All round robin games will be 10-10-10 stop time periods with no time outs. Quarter-finals, Semi-finals and Finals will be 10-10-10 stop time periods and have one 30sec. time out for each team.
- 18.All games except quarter-finals, semi-finals and finals will be played on a point(s) system based on Win, Lose or Tie. There will be no OT in round robin. Win=2pts, Tie=1pt, Loss=0pts.
- 19.If 2 or more teams are tied, head-to-head match up will decide the top team.
- 20.If 3 or more teams are tied, this is how the tie will be broken:
 - i. The team with the fewest goals scored against them
 - ii. The team with the best differential in all games
 - iii. The team with the most goals scored
 - iv. The team with the fewest penalty minutes
 - v. A coin-toss
- 21.Overtime for semi-finals and finals are sudden victory:
 - i. 5 minutes 4 on 4 with goalie
 - ii. 3 minutes 3 on 3 with goalie
 - iii. 2 minutes 2 on 2 with goalie

If a team is penalized during the sudden victory periods, the penalized player will serve his/her entire penalty. The offending team will play shorthanded. **Teams will not play less than 4 vs 3 during a penalty and the goalie must always remain on the ice during sudden victory periods.**

If still tied, each team will select 5 players for a shoot-out. All 10 players will shoot once on a rotation basis. The team scoring the most goals will be declared the winner. If still tied the shootout procedure will repeat with a different 10 players until a winner is declared. The goalie must always remain on the ice during sudden victory periods. If a team is penalized during the sudden victory periods, the penalized player will serve his/her entire penalty and a penalty shot will be awarded to the non-offending team immediately after the penalty call. The offending team will not play shorthanded.

22. Mercy rule, if a team is ahead by 5 or more goals in the third period, straight time will begin until the gap is reduced to less than 5 goals, then the clock will revert to stop time. The only time the clock would be stopped is if an on-ice injury should occur.
23. Individual or team suspensions shall be enforced as per the O.M.H.A. manual of operations.
24. Abusive behaviour by any player, team official or fan will not be tolerated and will result in the guilty person/persons being expelled from the tournament.
25. In the event of a dispute, the decision of the Tournament Convenor shall be final.