

# International Silver Stick Hockey. Association

Metro Detroit Michigan Regional

## **Tournament Format**

Each team is guaranteed three games in a round-robin schedule. Teams advance to the championship rounds based on total points accumulated - - two points for a win one point for a tie. This format is for teams with 8 teams to a division. These rules apply to divisions with 4 teams, too. If two or more teams are tied in total points after round-robin play, USA Hockey tie-breaking procedures for regional championships will be applied.

## **Ties in Tournament Standings:**

If two or more teams have an equal number of points, their positions in the standings shall be determined by the following tie-breaking formulas. In order to break the tie, the following formula will be followed until one rule determines the position of all teams that are tied.

1. The results of the games played between the tied teams in the following order:
  - a. The points acquired in these games (head to head)
  - b. Subtracting goals scored against from goals scored in these games.
  - c. Dividing the goals scored in these games, by the goals scored against the position being determined in the order of the greatest quotient
2. If after applying the formulas of 1 a, b, or c, the tie still exists. 1 b and c shall be applied using all of the games played by the teams tied. Note: The formulas shall be applied in order 1 a, b, c, and 2.
3. Least amount of penalty minutes acquired during round robin play. All penalty minutes will be counted including misconduct penalties.
4. Team scoring the earliest goal in the first game of the tournament.

All games consist of three, ten minute, stop time periods

There is no overtime in round-robin play.

Semi-final and final game will be played to a conclusion. Overtime periods of five minutes each will be implemented, until a winning team emerges

There are no time outs allowed in round - robin play or semi-finals. Each team will be allowed one time out per championship game regardless of the game's duration.

Fighting in silver stick competition is not allowed. A major penalty and a game misconduct will be assessed to any player and/or team official who fights. SUCH PLAYER OR TEAM OFFICIAL WILL BE SUSPENDED FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE TOURNAMENT. The major penalty will be served by another player, other than the goaltender or spare goaltender, chosen by the coach/manager responsible for that team. ANY PLAYER OR TEAM OFFICIAL WHO IS ASSESSED A MATCH PENALTY WILL FURTHER BE SUSPENDED FOR THE REMAINDER OF THIS TOURNAMENT. The offending team shall be required to send a player to the penalty box. Such player cannot be a goaltender or spare goaltender.

A maximum of four coaches, whose names appear on the team's official USA roster, will be permitted on or around the players' bench during any tournament game. Only players, whose names appear on the USA roster, may participate in tournament games.

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If a team elects to dress only one goaltender, and he is injured during tournament play, another player may be dressed. However this must be accomplished on the bench, as no time out will be allowed. Another player will be permitted on the ice until the substitute goaltender is ready.

Playing rules of Regional and International Finals Silver Stick Hockey will be governed by USA Hockey

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Metro Regional Tournaments shall take place at the St Clair Shores Civic Arena / 20000 Stephens / St Clair Shores, MI. 48080

- There is no gate fee for this tournament
- There are designated bag drop areas in the arenas; do not use the lobby.
- All players, coaches, and managers must sign in prior to the first game only.
- Coaches /managers are required to fill out score sheets prior to each game.
- Locker rooms are assigned 1/2 hour prior to game time by the city workers at the front desk located in the arena lobby.
- Be prepared to take the ice 10 minutes early.
- A manager or coach must be prepared to present the team's credentials upon check in, or at any time during tournament play.
- Team, MVP, & individual awards will be made to the finalist and championship team in each division. All participants will receive tournament pins.

Regional Champions advance to the International Finals. A representative from each Regional Championship team must report to the tournament office immediately following the Championship game to fill out your Finals' registration form and to pay any fees that are due. In the event that a Regional Champion is unable to participate in the International Finals, and/or the International Committee requests additional teams, such teams will be offered the opportunity to advance in order of their Regional finish