

## 2012 BLOOMINGTON SQUIRT TOURNAMENT

### Tournament Rules, Regulations and Additional Information

1. Twenty (20) players may be rostered and dressed per team for each game. Not more than 4 coaches will be allowed in the players' box during games. These adults must also be officially rostered and insured. A game roster must be furnished to the scoring table ten (10) minutes prior to each game, indicating the starting lineup
2. All games will be played under USA Hockey rules, as modified by MAHA and the BAHA. USA Hockey-registered referees will be used for all games. All decisions by the referee are final. **No protests are allowed.**
3. All games will be three (3) 12-minute stop time periods. If, in the third period, a team is ahead by 5 goals or more, running time will be used until the margin is lower than 5 goals.
  - Time will be allowed for a five-minute warm-up before the game begins and a one-minute rest between periods.
  - No time outs during the Round Robin or Bracket play.
  - Each team will be allowed one 60-second time-out per game only during the Championship Round.
4. Ice resurfacing will be done before each game. Teams must be ready to play 15 minutes prior to the scheduled game.
5. Penalties shall be:
  - Minor.....1.5 minutes
  - Major.....5 minutes
  - Misconduct.....10 minutes
  - Fighting.....Automatic game misconduct. Player will be out of the game, and rest of the tournament, with NO exceptions. In addition, where a game misconduct or a match penalty is assessed by the game referee, the incident must be reported to the MAHA District Director.
6. All players are required to wear H.E.C.C. approved helmets and face masks. MOUTHGUARDS must be worn by all Hockey USA players, and must be colored and attached.
7. A USA Hockey stamped roster must be presented to tournament officials before a team's first game in the tournament
8. If the score is tied at the end of regulation play (A & B Championship games and all C games):
  - a. There will be a one-minute rest period.
  - b. One overtime will be conducted (4 on 4) with a 5-minute running time, sudden death basis.
  - c. If no team has scored after this overtime, a five-player shoot-out will determine the game winner.
  - d. If the game is still tied after the initial five-player shootout, the second and ensuing rounds of the shoot out will be sudden death after the first player from each team has had their turn. Teams must exhaust all players on their rosters (excluding goalies) before repeating any shooter.
  - e. Any overtime period will be considered part of the game, and all unexpired penalties will carry over to the OT period.
9. All coaches, managers, parents and players are expected to show good sportsmanship
10. A certified athletic trainer or emergency medical technician will be in attendance at each game.
11. A coach or parent must be in the locker room with players at all times. No Exceptions.

#### Additional Information

**Home team assignment goes first to any Bloomington team.** In all other cases, the team listed first on the Squirt A, B and C schedule match-ups will be the Home Team and should wear light-colored jerseys. In the Championship rounds, the team at the top of the bracket will be the Home team.

**TIE BREAKERS:** Each division winner from the Round-Robin round of the A and B brackets will advance to the Championship Round. Each division runner-up from Round-Robin round will advance to the consolation round. The points in the Round-Robin round will be determined on the basis of two (2) points for a win, one (1) point for a tie. If two or more teams in a division have an equal number of points at the end of Sunday's round, their position in the standings will be determined as follows:

The results of the games played **between the tied teams** in the following order:

- a. Head-to-head game. (excluded if 3 way tie)
- b. Goal differential (total goals scored – total goals allowed, higher number wins).
- c. Goals scored divided by goals scored against (greater quotient wins).
- d. Total Penalty minutes assessed (lower number wins).
- e. Coin toss by Tournament officials (in the presence of the coaches and two witnesses).