

2017 LABOR DAY FACE OFF TOURNAMENT RULES

Team and Player Qualification

1. Must be USA Hockey or CAHA registered
2. The tournament fee has been paid
3. No player shall play for more than one team in the tournament otherwise he will be considered an ineligible player. (exception – goaltenders with approval of tournament director).

Game Scheduling and Rules

1. The official game schedule shall be provided to the coach or team manager before the start of the first game. All preliminary game schedules are invalid. Team managers and coaches are responsible for ensuring the team is at the rink at the correct time. Failure to do so results in the game being forfeited (score 1 to 0).
2. Team must be ready to play fifteen (15) minutes before the starting time on the official game schedule. Delays in the first face-off shall be subtracted from the time of the first period and a Delay of game Penalty may be assessed to the team causing the delay.
3. Game timing commences with a 3 minute warm-up, which shall begin at the designated starting time of the official game schedule. The timekeeper shall determine the warm-up by sounding the buzzer. Teams not ready will forfeit their warm up time.
4. All rules established and published by USA Hockey shall apply except when modified by the tournament committee.
5. All Games shall have two 22.5 minute stop time periods with an ice cut between periods.
6. One time out per team will be permitted in all games.
7. Overtime shall be played only in the Semi Final and Championship games.
8. "Mercy Rule" shall apply as follows: If the score difference is (6) goals or more at any time during the last 15 minutes of the second period, the clock goes to running time. If the goal differential drops to five or less, stop time will then be re-implemented. All games will be played to a conclusion.
9. An injured or apparently injured player resulting in a stoppage of play must return to the bench and may return to the ice only after the next stoppage of play.
10. All suspended coaching staff/players are not allowed in the dressing rooms, on the bench or otherwise involved in the game.

Game Points:

All preliminary games shall be scored as follows: 2 points for a win, 1 point for a tie, and 0 points for a loss.

Penalties: Minor penalties – 2 minutes, Major penalties – 5 minutes, Misconducts – 10 minutes
Fighting Penalties require a review by the tournament director to determine if player will be suspended for entire tournament.

How to Advance to Monday's Playoff Rounds:

Only the top 2 Winners of each Bracket advance.

The winners of each bracket are determined in the following manner:

1. Points
2. Wins
3. Head to Head (if there is a 3 way tie head to head is excluded and go to tiebreaker #4).
4. Least goals against in all games played
5. Goal Differential in all games played
6. Least penalty minutes

Only Head coaches and/or managers may talk to the tournament director and all decisions by the tournament director are final.