

## Labatt Pond Hockey Championships 2023 St. Ignace

### Tournament Rules

1. A current USA Hockey Registration is required to complete your tournament registration. If you are not already a member, please sign up at usahockey.com
2. This is a MAHA sanctioned event so USA and MAHA rules apply except where amended.
3. Game times will be set by the tournament director. No schedule requests will be granted.
4. All games are played during the day.
5. All games are 30 minutes long consisting of two 15-minute periods (running time) with a 2-minute break between periods.
6. Prior to every game, each team will shovel/scrape one half of the rink.
7. Teams must be at their designated rink 10 minutes prior to scheduled game. If team is not there by 5 minutes after scheduled time, it will be considered a forfeit.
8. All goals must be scored from the attacking side of center ice.
9. Each team will receive 2 points for the win during the round robin portion of the tournament.
10. All players must be 21 years of age by the first day of the tourney.
11. There are no goalies or goalie equipment allowed.
12. Minimum equipment required are a helmet (HECC approved) with a chin strap and skates.
13. Minimum number of players to enter and play in the tournament is 4, maximum of 7 players. Must have 4 players to start the game.
14. All nets are 6" by 6'.
15. One scorekeeper will be used for each game and penalties will be enforced. All penalties called by the scorekeeper are FINAL!
16. Minor penalties such as tripping, slashing, slapshots , etc. will result in a goal for the non-offending team plus puck possession.
17. Fighting is strictly prohibited. Any player(s) that fight will be ejected from the tournament with no replacement.
18. Any major infractions will result in ejection from the tournament with no replacement.
19. Abuse of the scorekeeper **WILL NOT BE TOLERATED!!** This includes yelling, swearing and arguing calls. A major penalty will be called and a goal will be awarded to the other team.
20. Team captains are the only players to discuss disputes with scorekeeper.
21. Team captain from each team should sign score card after each game.
22. There is **NO** checking or body contact. A minor or major penalty will result depending on severity and penalties include a goal being awarded.
23. There will be no lifting the puck above your knee.
24. There are no slapshots. If the stick comes above the knee in a slapshot motion, it will be deemed a slapshot and minor penalty, resulting in a goal being awarded.
25. A player may not lay his/her stick across the goal mouth to protect the goal area nor fall or lay in front of the goal area. Such action will result in a minor penalty with a goal being awarded.

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- 26. There will be no offsides or icing.
- 27. If the puck goes out of play, the last team to touch it loses possession. During a reset, the defending team may once again advance.
- 28. There will be a choice of a face off at center ice or rock, paper, scissors at the beginning of each half.
- 29. After a goal, the team that scored will be required to wait on the defending side of the center ice. The team that is scored on must advance the puck up the ice immediately. Defending team can engage the puck carrier once the puck crosses center ice.
- 30. Player substitution is on the fly. Player leaving the game must be at the snow boards and not involved in the play.
- 31. You must be at least 21 years old to drink alcohol at the tournament. NO outside alcohol is allowed.**
- 32. Goal differential: Maximum goal differential for standings is a (+) or (-) 10 goals.
- 33. Rules subject to change.

### **Tied Games**

- In the event of a tie during both round robin and championship play, the game will move to sudden death format. There will be a face off to start the sudden death period. First team to score wins.

### **Standings**

- Standing will be determined on total points. Win=2 pts, tie = 1 pt, loss= 0 pts.

### **Tie Breakers**

- A tie breaker will be decided in the following order:
 

1. Head to Head	4. Fewest goals allowed
2. Most Wins	5. Most goals scored
3. Goal Differential (all games included)	6. Flip of a coin

### **Illegal Players & Teams**

- If the tournament director(s) determine that an illegal player has participated in the tournament, the player(s) shall be immediately removed from the tournament and the team using the ineligible player(s) will receive a 0-15 forfeit loss in each of the games the illegal player(s) participated in.

***Illegal players are any participants that:*** Violate the minimum age requirement for their division, play on a team you are not rostered on (if you play on more than 1 team you must be rostered on both teams), participate in a division below their skill level, are under 21 years of age.

**The Tournament Director(s) reserves the right to make any decisions regarding the tournament rules, format, etc., for the overall good of the event. In all cases this decision shall be final!**