**This tournament is a sanctioned Hockey Alberta Tournament, Sanction #HA-21351176**

The committee reserves the right to minor changes to the rules and format of the tournament if necessary.

**Tournament Rules:**

1. **Tournament Schedule**

Each team will play their game in accordance with the tournament schedule. Each team is guaranteed four games.

All teams must be ready to start at the scheduled time.  If a team is not ready to start at the scheduled time, the clock will start, and the offending team will receive a “Delay of Game Penalty” which will commence when the offending team takes to the ice.  If a team has not taken to the ice to begin play within 10 minutes of the scheduled start time, they will forfeit the game.

1. **Ice Time**

Each game will have 1.5 hours of ice. Game time will consist of a 3-minute warm-up, 3 x 20 minutes periods of stop time and max 1 min between periods. Clock will drop when there is five (5) minutes of ice remaining to 2 minutes of stop time. There will be a flood before every game.

The Heart & Hustle recognition is to be awarded on the ice. Teams must be off the ice at the conclusion of their scheduled ice time.

Round robin games that end in a tie will stand.

1. **Rules**

HOCKEY CANADA and HOCKEY ALBERTA Rules will apply

Referees will be provided for all games.  All decisions made by the Referees will be final and NO GRIEVANCE WILL BE ACCEPTED ON THESE CALLS.

1. **Suspensions**

Game misconducts and major penalties will be forwarded to the Zone 6 Director for ruling.  Players are not able to play until this ruling is received back from the Director.

Notice of all suspensions during the Tournament will be forwarded (with a full report of the circumstances) to the player’s regular league officials.

No player who is suspended in her/his regular league can play in the Tournament until her/his suspension is lifted by their regular league officials.

**MAJOR PENALTIES, MATCH PENALTIES OR GROSS MISCONDUCTS for FIGHTING**: Any player receiving the aforementioned penalties will automatically be ejected from the tournament regardless of how many games remain. Example: a player fights in the first period of the first game and gets a 5 min major and is removed from the game by the refs. The zone director then gives them a 1 game suspension, but they will still not be permitted to return to any games during the tournament despite serving their suspension.

1. **Game Report**

Team Managers, or designated alternate, are to provide roster stickers for game sheets prior to every game. The Head Coach is to report to Tournament officials at the arena where the game is scheduled, **NO EARLIER** than 45 minutes prior to the game time to sign the game sheets.  The Game sheet will be in the boardroom at Ron Ebbesen (far south end of the lobby) and at the Aecon multipurpose room located upstairs at Genesis on the Rockyview side (left side from the front door). For games at Plainsmen or Pete Knight (Crossfield) Arenas, game sheets will be with the scorekeepers or home team manager.

1. **Respect**

Coaches, players or fans that are abusive to officials, players, tournament organizers or arena staff, will be asked to  leave the arena and not permitted to return for the balance of the tournament.

Team officials are responsible for their teams’ conduct on and off the ice and will be ensuring their players conduct themselves in a sportsmanlike manner at ALL times.

Teams will be given one warning if the behavior of their coaches, players or fans are in violation of our respect policy after that the team will be removed from the tournament. Teams being asked to leave because of abusive behaviors will not be given a refund.

1. **Eligibility**

Teams must be registered and in good standing with Hockey Canada.  Proof of registration must be available upon request.  Participating teams must have a sanction permit or letter of permission to participate in the Tournament from their Hockey Canada branch.  Affiliates must be on your official Hockey Canada roster and this roster must be submitted to Michelle Anhorn before game one begins.

1. **Composition of Teams**

Each team may register nineteen (19) properly registered and affiliated players. You may only have (19) players on the bench at each game, with maximum 17 skaters and 2 goalies.

1. **Player Eligibility**

Players participating in the tournament must meet the Hockey Canada age categorization and must be properly registered with Hockey Canada. Pickups are ineligible. If it is proven that a team has registered/listed an ineligible player, that team will be automatically disqualified from the Tournament, and notice of such irregularity will be forwarded by the Tournament Rules/Discipline Committee to the team’s regular league officials. A player whose team has been eliminated from Tournament play may not play for another team in the Tournament. Team managers will properly submit their team’s roster of players eligible to play to Tournament officials, and will have the necessary supporting documentation, being a valid Hockey Canada registration sheet or equivalent available for examination by Tournament officials at the time of initial registration, if requested.

1. **Team Colors**

All Airdrie teams have two colors of jerseys. Home teams shall wear darks and Away teams shall wear whites. If your team only has one set, please make sure to check with the other team to make sure your colors are far enough apart. Please bring both sets of jerseys to your games to avoid colour conflicts.

1. **Home/Visiting Team**

Home/Visiting teams are pre-determined for Round Robin play.  Airdrie teams will always be listed as the Home team in their round robin games.  For the Finals, the Home team will be determined as the team with the higher standing from the round robin play.

Regardless of Home/Visitor status, all invited teams are to provide one (1) adult in the penalty box per game in an Off-Ice Official capacity. Scorekeeper/Timekeeper roles will be filled by Airdrie team volunteers.

1. **Mandatory Equipment**

All players must wear certified equipment as mandated by Hockey Canada, Hockey Alberta and your local minor hockey association.

1. **Dressing Rooms**

Dressing rooms must be left clean after each game.  A $250 fine will be assessed to teams that do not leave their dressing room clean.

1. **Round Robin**

Round Robin games will consist of three (3) twenty (20) minute stop-time periods and, no overtime will be played in the Round Robin.  A tie game in the round robin will stand.

Round Robin Play Points

1. Tournament play standings will be calculated as follows:
   * + 1. Win..................2 pts
       2. Loss..................0 pts
       3. Tie....................1 pt
       4. Fair Play...........0.5 pt
2. During Round robin play each team shall earn 0.5 Fair Play point per completed game providing they do not exceed the penalty threshold of 10 min. 10 min of penalty’s receives FP points, 11 min of penalty’s does not.
3. If a referee incident report is written for member of a team’s admin (Head Coach/Assistant Coach/Trainer/Manager etc) or a spectator for said team, that team will forfeit their Fair Play point regardless of their penalty minutes in that game.

In the case of a tie in a pool at the conclusion of the Round Robin, the pool standings will be determined as follows:

1. Head-to-Head (A & B) Team that won head-to-head game ranks higher.
2. The better Round Robin tournament record of Goals For and Goals Against differential (GF-GA)
3. The team with the fewest penalty minutes
4. Coin Toss

   In the event of a tie between three (or more) teams, Pool standings will be determined by:

1. The better Round Robin tournament record of Goals For and Goals Against differential (GF-GA)
2. The team with the fewest penalty minutes
3. Coin toss.
4. **Heart and Hustle**

Coaches will choose one (1) player from their own team, after each game, to receive the ‘Heart & Hustle’ award.  All coaches and players from both teams must remain on the ice until all Heart & Hustle and/or medals are awarded.

1. **Final games**

Final game schedule will be posted on the tournament website after the conclusion of the final game for your division. Please check [www.amhatournaments.com](http://www.amhatournaments.com) for schedules.

If a tournament final game ends in a tie during regulation time, the tie will be broken by a SHOOTOUT**.**

•The HOME team will choose who shoots first in the shoot-out

•Each team will pick 3 shooters. If it is still a tie after three shooters, then it will become a sudden death shootout. A team may not use the same shooter twice until all members of the team have shot.

1. **Grievances**

Grievances must be presented in writing and a $100 cash fee be applied to application. All grievance committee decisions will be final, and the fee will be refunded if the grievance is accepted.

1. **Lotteries/Raffle**

The tournament offers an online Tournament 50/50 and raffle tables at both Ron Ebbesen and Genesis Arenas. No additional lotteries and/or raffles may be operated within the arenas during the tournament.

1. **Pucks**

Pucks will not be provided for warm up. Every team needs to bring their own practice pucks for warm up

1. **Arenas**

Arena operations signing and staff must be obeyed and respected.  The ice surfaces being utilized for this tournament are as follows:

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| **Ron Ebbesen Twin Arena** |
| 200 East Lake Crescent |
| Airdrie AB |
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| Ice Surfaces Are Blue and Murray Buchanan |
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| **Genesis Place Rink** |
| 800 East Lake Blvd NE |
| Airdrie AB |
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| Ice Surfaces Are Shane Homes and Rockyview |
| **Plainsmen Arena** |
| 310 Centre Ave. |
| Airdrie AB |
| **Pete Knight Arena is in Crossfield**  920 Mountain Ave.  Crossfield, AB |