

BC Cup July 4-6, 2025 Victoria, B.C.



Introduction

The inaugural BC Cup will be held in Victoria, B.C. July 4-6. The tournament is hosted by the Victoria Vipers and sanctioned by BC Ball Hockey Association, a member of the Canadian Ball Hockey Association (CBHA).

Important Dates:

- July 3, 7-9pm Coach/Manager meeting at Canadian Brewhouse
- July 4-5 Tournament round robin games
- July 6 Semifinals and finals

Volunteers

A volunteer table will be setup at each rink with a volunteer. The volunteers will be wearing gold-colored shirts with Vipers logos.

Team Staff Meeting

Each team should send their Head Coach or designate and their Manager to the Coach/Manager meeting on July 3 from 7pm-9pm at the Canadian Brewhouse and Grill, 3500 Uptown Blvd #117, Victoria, BC. (rooftop). It will be self-order/pay, as you choose. Merchandise pre-orders will be handed out to association representatives.

Association Point of Contact

Associations are asked to populate the shared spreadsheet with an association point of contact, including first name, last name and cell phone number.

Canadian Brewhouse

The Canadian Brewhouse has offered pizza vouchers for players, one free large, two topping pizza per four players plus free soda fountain drinks for any teams coming in during the weekend.

Accommodations

Please book accommodation using the following link – Hotel Info

Arenas

Date	Arena
July 4	Panorama Eagle Ridge Q Centre SOFMC
July 5	Panorama Eagle Ridge Q Centre SOFMC
July 6	Panorama Q Centre SOFMC

Schedule

Schedule is being developed and will be posted into Spordle once completed - https://page.spordle.com/bc-cup

Divisions

Co-Ed

Division	Birthyears
U11	2014, 2015, 2016
U13	2012, 2013
U15	2010, 2011
U17	2008, 2009
U19	2006, 2007

Female Only

Division	Birthyears		
U14	2011, 2012, 2013		
U17	2008, 2009, 2010		
U20	2005, 2006, 2007		

Tournament Format

Each team is guaranteed a minimum of four games. The tournament format will include a round-robin followed by semi-finals and finals.

Housekeeping and Team Staff Information

To help you, your players and your families enjoy the tournament with less complications, here are a few things that will help you;

- Plan to be at the rinks 30 mins prior to the scheduled start time. Parking may be challenging at certain times.
- BC Cup volunteers will be wearing bright yellow Victoria Vipers t-shirts, if you require assistance, please check in with them.
- Teams must enter their Team Details and Lineups into <u>Spordle Play</u> at least 15 mins prior to scheduled start time, including jersey numbers.
- Team staff are responsible for the state of the change room and if damage is identified upon entering, immediately report damage to the registration desk and document it by way of photos.
- Team staff must be first in the change room and last out of the change room.
- Change rooms must be clean, all garbage into the garbage cans provided. Failure to leave it clean is the Head Coches's responsibility and may incur a monetary penalty.

Eligibility

- Players must be born in the division's designated birth years or later. Younger players are allowed to play up.
- Players must have played 5 regular season games excluding Provincials, BC Cup or WCC. Games must have been played with a CBHA recognized minor association.
- If a player is proven to be impersonating another player, the team will be disqualified from the tournament.
- If there is a question regarding player's eligibility on a roster (player assumed not to have played enough games for the team in question, player assumed to be not age-appropriate for the division, etc), the team being questioned must be prepared to show 5 complete game sheets from the 2025 season showing that the player participated on your team. If this cannot be shown, the player in question will be deemed ineligible, and any games played with this player on the roster will be forfeited.
- If the association questioning a player's eligibility on a roster is incorrect and it was proven that said player played the minimum 5 games required with the team, the questioning team will start their next game with a 2-minute penalty.
- Challenges related to team roster or player eligibility must be emailed to Chris Drummond
 <u>president@victoriavipers.ca</u> no later than 24 hours prior to game time, otherwise the challenge will not
 be reviewed.

Appeals and Suspension

- Appeals must be received within 60 minutes of the end of the game
- Please fill out the <u>Appeal Form</u> and email Aman <u>Brahminor@bcballhockey.com</u> to state an appeal has been filed.
- All suspensions that occur will carry into the WCC, Junior Nationals or next season until the total amount of games is served.
 - Any player or team official assessed with a Game Misconduct will be suspended for a minimum of one (1) game.
 - Important Any player receiving a Fighting Major or Match Penalty will be suspended and removed for the remainder of the tournament.
 - Important Any player or team official assessed with a Gross Misconduct will be suspended for a minimum of two (2) games.

Roster Size

In accordance with Canada Ball Hockey Association regulations, the maximum roster size is

- 22 players, including up to 2 goalies
- Plus team staff and manager

Team Uniforms

- Each team will carry a light and dark jersey set.
- The visiting team will select their jersey color first
- Home team will be responsible for changing jerseys to avoid a color conflict
- In the event of conflicting jersey colors, the home team will wear pinnies
- If the home team cannot avoid the jersey color conflict and cannot provide pinnies, they will forfeit the game
- Players are not required to wear black shorts.

Warm Up Knapper Balls

Victoria will provide the Knapper balls to teams for pre-game warm up.

Game Lengths

Division	Period Length	Break Between Periods	Total Game Time
U11	3 x 10	2 min Between Periods	1 Hour Game
U13 & U14 Female	3 x 12	3 min Between Periods	1 Hour 15 Min Game
U15	3 x 15	3 min Between Periods	1 Hour 30 Min Game
U17 & U17 Female	3 x 15	3 min Between Periods	1 Hour 30 Min Game

Round Robin Rules

- Each team is allowed one 30-second timeout per period.
- A 3-minute warm up will start as soon as the playing surface has been cleared of the prior game and within the scheduled timeslot. Referees will endeavor to keep the games moving to try and avoid any time overruns.
- Ties are allowed.
- Teams receive 2 points for win, 1 point for a tie, and 0 points for loss.
- A game may not start if there are fewer than six eligible players on a team's bench. If a team cannot field a
 lineup, that game will be deemed a forfeit with the score recorded as 7-0 in favour of the team that had a
 valid lineup.

Tiebreaker Rules After Completion of Round Robin Game

Should teams be tied after completion of round robin games, then tiebreaker criteria will be applied to the tied teams as follows (in order):

- 1. Most wins
- 2. Head-to-head record (in the event of a multi-way tie, head-to-head includes all teams with identical points)
- 3. Goal differential in games involving only the tied teams (maximum of 7-goal differential in each game)
- 4. Overall goal differential (maximum of 7-goal differential in each game)
- 5. Goals for in games involving only the tied teams
- 6. Overall goals for
- 7. Least penalty minutes
- 8. Coin toss

In the case of a multi-way tie, once a team is differentiated the tiebreak process moves back to Step 2 for the remaining teams in the tiebreaker.

Semi-Finals & Finals Rules

- Each team is allowed one 30-second timeout per period.
- A 3-minute warm up will start as soon as the playing surface has been cleared of the game prior and within the scheduled timeslot. Referees will endeavor to keep the games moving to try and avoid any time over runs.
- If a game is tied after the 3rd period, then the game will go to an overtime (OT) period.
- The OT period is a sudden death period. The clock will be set to 10 minutes and is running time.
 - o No timeouts in OT
 - Clock does not stop when a penalty is issued, and the player serves the full adjusted run-time duration
 - 2-minute minor penalty becomes 3 minutes of run time
 - o 4-minute double minor penalty becomes 6 minutes of run time
 - 5-minute major becomes 7 minutes of run time
- If game is still tied after OT, there will be a shootout:
 - o Each Head Coach submits a list of 3 shooters to ref prior to the first shooter going.
 - o The shootout starts with 3 shooters from each team. The home team shoots first.
 - o The team with most goals out of the round of 3 shooters wins.
 - If still tied after the first 3 shooters, the shootout shall continue until a winner is determined (first team to win a round of shootout wins)
 - o Any player serving a penalty at the end of regulation is NOT eligible to participate in the shootout.
 - All players on the team's roster are required to shoot before a player may shoot for a second time (regardless if a team's roster size is different than the opposing team)
 - If a player is injured or tossed from the game, the team will forfeit that shot and it will recorded as a miss

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Game Officials

Officials and Timekeepers will be e-transferred to each official\timekeeper at the end of the tournament. Ageappropriate music will be played where available.

2025 Canada Ball Hockey Rulebook for reference
BCBHA Suspensions and Appeals Policy for reference

MVP Awards and Medal Awards

All Games

At the completion of the game, a handshake between teams will occur in proper fashion and then both teams will line up on their blue line for MVP award presentation. MVP will be selected on both teams at the end of each game. The selection will be done by the opposing coach however it is strongly recommended to have a conversation between both coaches to spread the MVP award so that one player does not win the award multiple times.

Finals

Gold, Silver, and Bronze medals will be awarded in each division.

Player Shirts

All registered players will receive a Gildan 6400 soft style, cotton poly blend, Euro spun BC Cup t-shirt as part of registration like the shirt pictured here - https://epicsport.ca/webapps/event?id=237&x=0

Please collect the following information and email volks@epicsport.ca prior to June 15 Team Name
Player First Name
Player Last Name
Player Shirt Size

Shirts will be organized by teams and delivered with any other pre-ordered merch Thurs night, July 3 at the Team Staff meeting taking place at the Canadian Brewhouse.

Merchandise Orders – Order Before June 15

Teams, players and parents will have the ability to pre-order 2025 BC Cup clothing, hats and other items. There will be a LIMITED supply on site for purchase, but pre-order is STRONGLY encouraged, with pick up at the tournament. Please order using the following link - https://epicsport.ca/webapps/event?id=237&x=0



Disciplinary Committee

Each association must designate one disciplinary committee representative to attend meetings if disciplinary matters arise during the tournament.

Tournament Contacts

Role	Name	Email
Victoria Vipers President	Chris Drummond	President@victoriavipers.ca
Referee in Chief	Dan Fouracres	RIC@victoriavipers.ca
More to come		