



Wave Frenzy U7 Division

OHA Sanctioned Tournament #2425097



From the Hockey Canada U7 Pathways document:

- **Tournaments are jamboree/festival format, engaging players in a fun environment:**
JAMBOREE: Coming together of several players who are then placed onto teams. Games may or may not be competitive and the emphasis is on fun.
FESTIVAL: Coming together of teams to participate in games and fun activities. Games may be competitive, but no standings are kept.
- **There are no playoffs in U7 hockey.**
- **U7 games** will be cross ice format for the whole season.
- 4-on-4 (plus a player defending the goal) – a player may play goal, but full goaltender equipment is not required.

For our upcoming Wave Frenzy Tournament, February 15-17, 2024, the U7 division will proceed as stated below:

- Wave Frenzy U7 will be festival format
- U7 games will be played cross ice (1 or 2 games going on at a time at opposite ends)
- Game format: two periods with a run-time clock, not to exceed 60 minutes total.
- Timed buzzer or whistle for line changes: Game does not stop; players change on the fly at buzzer/whistle. If there are fewer than four players on the bench, the active player designated to stay out for the following shift must return to the bench area prior to continuing play. On the buzzer/whistle, players must relinquish control of the puck immediately and vacate the ice. The new players enter the ice immediately. Failure to immediately relinquish control of the puck or new players entering the ice surface prematurely may result in a penalty (see Penalties).
- Shift length will not exceed two minutes.
- No score will be kept, and there will be no advancement to subsequent rounds of play
- Incidental contact may happen, but body-checking is not permitted. No icing or offside.
- Face-offs to start each half.
- Change of possession:

-Continuous play – when whistles lead to a change in puck possession, the official (or coach) will signal the attacking players to back off three meters. Once the attackers have moved back, play may resume as soon as the possession team has control of the puck.

-Goaltender freezes the puck – the official (or coach) blows the whistle to indicate the attacking team backs off three meters and the defending team gets possession.

-Puck shot out of play – the offending team backs off three meters and the official (or coach) gives the non-offending team a new puck.

- Regular black pucks will be used.
- Net size will be 3x4.
- Games will be officiated by senior HCOP officials, developing officials, team coaches or registered volunteers, in a one-official system. Information will be sent to registered teams prior to the tournament.
- All teams will play an equal number of games (3 games are guaranteed)
- All players will receive a medal for participation
- Good sportsmanship and a fun festival environment will be emphasized
- All coaches will receive an MVP puck to be handed out after each game to a player who stands out with great effort, sportsmanship and hockey decision making

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We look forward to a great weekend of hockey!