

Welcome to the 2025 South Calgary Ringette's Ring in the Holidays Tournament

December 12th-December 14th, 2025



This weekend is about the players and their love for the game. Please make sure all team staff and fans are aware of our behavior policy, we take great pride in the quality of the event we host. Please help us to continue to create a great environment for players, officials and volunteers alike. Good sportsmanship and fair play are essential.

TOURNAMENT FORMAT:

The tournament will be a round robin format with a playoff.

- Each U10 Step 2 team will play 4-5 half ice games, there will be no officials and we will not keep score.
- U12-U19 will play FOUR games, 3 round robin and one playoff game.
- All teams must be ready to play at **8:00AM on December 12, 2025.**

GAME LENGTH:

- Games for U12-U14 will be sixty (60) minute regulation time. Play will be 2 eighteen (18) minute stop-time periods.
- Games for U16-U19 will be either sixty (60) minute regulation time, with 2 twenty (20) minute stop-time periods or seventy-five (75) minute regulation time, with 2 twenty-three (23) minute stop-time periods. Please refer to the schedule for your game lengths.
- During playoff games, medals can be presented on the ice if time permits in your allotted schedule otherwise, they will need to be presented in the dressing rooms.
- All games will have a 3 minute warm up.
- There will be a 1 minute break between periods and a flood will be scheduled between all games.

- At the discretion of the Tournament Committee, running time may be reverted to at any time if the games are running behind to an extent that the Tournament may be jeopardized.
- If only five (5) minutes remain in an assigned time slot, the clock will be reset to two (2) minutes at the first stoppage of play.
- The team designated as HOME shall supply a Scorekeeper (Game Sheet on RAMP) and Game Clock Operation. VISITING team will supply the Shot Clock operator. Each team playing must also supply a minor official to work the penalty boxes.
- Round Robin games may end in a tie. Medal round games will be decided as per the rules underlined in the section TIE-BREAKING PROCEDURES FOR PLAYOFF GAMES below.
- Cancellation/Refunds: Refunds will only be given if cancelled before November 3rd, 2025. If cancelled on or after November 3rd the full registration will be charged unless we are able to find a replacement team to fill the spot, in which case you will receive a refund less a \$50 admin fee.

TOURNAMENT RULES:

1. Rules from the Official Ringette Canada rule book and Ringette Alberta Rules and Operating Procedures shall apply if not covered below.
2. All participants must be registered with Ringette Alberta, Ringette Canada or their respective provincial Ringette association.
3. There will not be more than 5 non-players (coaches) allowed on the bench at one time. Bench staff must be certified as per Ringette Alberta.
4. Any **TEAM** accumulating **MORE THAN 30** penalty minutes in any **ONE GAME** shall see the head coach or acting coach from that game suspended for their next tournament game. (No grievances will be accepted)
5. A MATCH penalty will automatically result in suspension from all subsequent tournament games.
6. Players, coaches and parents are all reminded that fair play, gamesmanship and fun must be a priority at this tournament.
7. Referees' decisions will be final.
8. The RAMP GameSheets APP will be used to keep score of the games
9. Teams must be ready to go on the ice ten (10) minutes before game time. Teams not iced within two (2) minutes of the referee's whistle being blown to start the game will forfeit the game. The game will be played as an exhibition only. The score, credited to the team that has been given the win, will be recorded as 1-0.

10. In the event of uniform color conflict, the **VISITING** team must change their uniforms. If the visiting team does not have a second color, the **Home** team may be required to change its uniform, at the direction and discretion of the Tournament Official.
11. In medal games the higher placed team shall be **HOME** team.
12. No game protests will be accepted. The decision of the referee and/or the Tournament Coordinators shall be final.
13. Game scores will be displayed on the time clock, posted in arenas, and recorded for tie breaking procedures, with a MAXIMUM SEVEN GOAL difference.
14. Time-Outs: Each team is entitled to ONE 30-second timeout per regulation. Each team is entitled to ONE additional 30-second timeout in overtime.

SCORING:

1. At the end of round robin play, teams will be ranked according to the total points in all games played.
2. Teams will receive two (2) points for a win, one (1) point for a tie and zero (0) points for a loss in round robin play.
3. Maximum goal differential recorded in all games will be seven (7).
4. When two or more teams have an equal number of points after round robin play, the teams will be ranked according to the following rules:
 - A. The winner of more game(s) between each other during the round robin will be declared the highest position.
 - B. If still tied, teams shall be ranked according to the difference between goals for and against in games between the tied teams in round robin play. The team with the highest positive difference shall be ranked highest, the team with the second highest positive difference shall be ranked next, the team with the third highest positive difference shall be ranked next, etc.
 - C. If still tied, teams shall be ranked according to the least goals against in games between the tied teams in round robin play. The team with the least goals against shall be declared the highest position, the team with the second least goals against shall be next, the team with the third least goals against shall be next, etc.
 - D. If still tied, teams shall be ranked according to the difference between goals for and against in all games played in the round robin. The team with the highest positive difference shall be ranked highest, the team with the second highest positive difference shall be ranked next, the team with the third highest positive difference shall be ranked next, etc.

E. If still tied, teams shall be ranked according to the least goals against in all games played in the round robin. The team with the least goals against shall be declared the highest position, the team with the second least goals against shall be next, the team with the third least goals against shall be next, etc.

F. If still tied, teams shall be ranked according to the least total penalty minutes for all games played in the round robin. The team with the least penalty minutes shall be declared the highest position, the team with the second least penalty minutes shall be next, the team with the third least penalty minutes shall be next, etc.

G. If still tied, teams shall be ranked according to the time required to score their first goal for all games played in the round robin. The team scoring the earliest goal shall be ranked highest, the team scoring the second earliest goal shall be ranked next, the team scoring the third earliest goal shall be ranked next, etc.

H. If still tied, teams shall be ranked by a coin toss.

NOTE: Each step of the tie breaking rules shall apply to all teams involved in the tie. ie. according to rule B, the White team has a difference of 5 goals, the Red team has a difference of 3 goals and the Blue team has a difference of 2 goals. White team shall be ranked highest, Red team next and Blue team shall be third among these tied teams. If three (3) or more teams are involved in the tie, the tie breaking procedure shall only revert to A if teams are still tied after the application of subsequent rules. ie. according to rule B, the White team has a difference of 5 goals, the Red team and the Blue team are still tied at 3 goals difference. White team shall be ranked highest, revert to rule A to break the tie between the Red & Blue teams.

TIE-BREAKING PROCEDURES FOR PLAYOFF GAMES:

All games must be completed within their permit ice times stated above. In the event of a tied score at the end of the playoff game and time is still remaining on the permit then below is in effect.

The Tournament Committee with the collaboration of the Head coaches will move forward on the below outlines

1. 6 minutes or more left on the permit: Five Minute overtime

For this tie-breaking option, the permit time allows one 5-minute stop time period. Play will end when one team scores and is declared the winner.

2. 5 minutes or less on the permit: Shootout

In the event of a tie where there is less than 5 minutes left on the permit, each team will select three shooters and each player will take one shot each, and the shots alternate from team to team. Upon completion of the three-player shootout, the team with the most goals wins. If still tied after each team has taken three shots, then “sudden-death” shots will be taken until a winner is declared. No team shall have a skater shoot twice until all of the players on that team have taken a shot.

3. No time remaining on the permit

Due to the nature of the ice permit and the need for floods and other user groups needing access to the ice all games must be completed within their permit and in the event of a tie at the end of the ice permit the team who scored first wins.

Affiliation Rules:

Teams using affiliates are required to strike the names of players who are not participating in a game from the RAMP GameSheets App to ensure proper verification. When using an affiliate the name(s) of the player(s) and their jersey number must be marked in the RAMP GameSheets App. It is the responsibility of the team to ensure that Ringette Alberta affiliated player rules are followed.

Registration

The SCRA Ring in the Holidays Tournament will be at Great Plains arena in Calgary. Registration is not accepted until payment is received. Teams will be contacted either way by the tournament coordinator. **Please note that you are not considered in the tournament if you have just registered and paid, you will be contacted by the tournament coordinator either way.**