



U7 TOURNAMENT JAMBOREE RULES

1. Have Fun!
2. All games will follow the *Intro to Hockey Model* as mandated by Hockey Alberta.
3. U7 games will take place on half-ice surface, with foam bumper pads or half ice boards set up at the centre lines. At Broadmoor arena, games will be on full-ice (rink is 2/3 size).
4. For all games, we ask that the respective coaches assist in setting the bumper pads in place or assist in setting up half ice boards, and prior to a flood, place the bumper pads in the bench after their game to accommodate the rink attendant. These coaches will need to have skates and helmets while on the ice.
5. There will be no referees. One coach from each team is required to skate on each side of the ice to keep the game organized. These coaches are required to wear a helmet.
6. Face-offs will only occur at the start of the game. If a goal is scored, scoring team backs off and goalie pulls puck out of his net and gives to teammate to resume play.
7. Pucks out of play: Coach to drop new puck to non-offending team. If goalie freezes puck, offending team backs off and goalie gives puck to a teammate to resume play.
8. If two teams are wearing the same colors, pinnies will be provided by SPMHA.
9. Please ensure that your players are prepared to go on the ice at their scheduled time. Game slots are 60 minutes in length.
10. Game Format: 2.5 minute warm-up followed by two 24-minute halves, followed by 5 minute handshake and award presentation. For final games that are to include a medal presentation, please allow for 7.5 minutes at the end of the game. Teams are able to forego warm-up should both coaches agree in advance. Ensure that you notify the timekeeper. Should a game start late, the Timekeeper will be notified to end the game with 5 minutes remaining in the scheduled ice time.
11. Gameplay will be broken into two-minute shifts (indicated by buzzer). When the buzzer sounds, players are to leave the puck and return to bench, while new player enter the ice and continue play.
12. Pucks for warm-up will be provided by SPMHA. Tournament will use 4-ounce pucks (blue) pucks.
13. Scores will not be posted on the scoreboard. Please remember, this is a FUN tournament. We are not keeping track of score or winners and there are no playoffs.
14. Goaltending equipment is recommended in the **U7 Major** division. If your team does not have goalie equipment, please discuss in advance with your opposition coach, to determine if both teams will go with or without goaltending equipment.
15. Following the game, players and coaches are asked to shake hands and then line up on the blue lines for presentation of MVP and Heart & Hustle Awards, presented by the Rink Manager. Coaches will select players from their own team for these awards and notify the Timekeeper.
16. After a team's final game, the Coach will be asked to present medals to his/her team players. Note that there may be games in which only one team is receiving a medal presentation. If your team is not involved in this presentation, please inform them prior to the game to avoid undesired player reaction, and escort them off the ice after the individual awards are presented. These games will be identified in the schedule.
17. Abusive behaviour towards any volunteer will not be tolerated. Individuals will be asked to leave the facility by the Timekeeper, Rink Manager or Tournament Director immediately.

