

WAYZATA YOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION
2020 – 2021 TOURNAMENT RULES

- Only USA Hockey registered referees will be used.
- Medical attendants will be provided for each game. A certified Athletic Trainer, Emergency Medical Technician (EMT), paramedic or medical or osteopathic physician will be available at all games.
- All games will be played under USA Hockey rules as modified by Minnesota Hockey and exceptions as listed.
- Twenty players may be rostered and dressed by each team for each game. Not more than **three coaches** will be allowed in the player's box while games are in progress.
- The first team or team listed on top of the bracket is the home team and will wear white jerseys. Wayzata teams will always be home, regardless of bracket placement unless specified otherwise by tournament director.
- Running time begins in the third period when a team gains a four-goal advantage. The clock will revert to stop time if the four-goal advantage is not maintained.
- Fighting or any deliberate action to injure another player will not be tolerated and will result in removal from all remaining games of the tournament.
- Any player who receives two misconduct penalties or any combination of 3 penalties in one game will be out for the balance of that game.
- In accordance with USA Hockey Rule 404(b):
 - A player or coach incurring a game misconduct penalty shall also be suspended for his team's next game, except when there are 2 major penalties in one game, there shall be a minimum two game suspension (Rule 403b).
- If a coach receives game misconduct penalty, he may not remain on the bench or direct team play in any way

Any abusive language or conduct directed to the game officials by the players, coaches, manager, parents or spectators will not be tolerated, corrective action, including removal from rink, will be taken. There will be no protests; decisions of the tournament officials are final.

It is imperative that all participants and spectators have respect for all players, coaches, officials, administrators, spectators and the sport of hockey. Taunting or unsportsmanlike conduct directed at opponents or officials will not be tolerated. MN Hockey requires any game be stopped to remove any spectator deemed detrimental to the game, in the opinion of the officials. Per the MN Hockey Handbook an offending spectator will be suspended from attending any hockey events for a minimum of three additional games. Please promote a safe and positive playing environment for all participants.

General rules:

	Squirt	PeeWee	Bantam	16U/Jr.Gold
Warm up time	5:00 min	5:00 min	5:00 min	5:00 min
Period length	12:00 min	15:00 min	15:00 min	15:00 min
Ice resurfacing	Every game	Every game	Every game	Every Game
Clock	Stop time	Stop time	Stop time	Stop time
Penalties:				
Minor	2:00 min	2:00 min	2:00 min	2:00 min
Major	5:00 min	5:00 min	5:00 min	5:00 min
Misconduct	10:00 min	10:00 min	10:00 min	10:00 min
Break between periods	1:00 min	1:00 min	1:00 min	1:00 min
Break between Regulation & OT	1:00 min	1:00 min	2:00 min	2:00 min
Time outs	1/game	1/game	1/game	1/game

POOL PLAY RULES AND POINT AWARDS:

- No overtime. Games will be allowed to end in a tie.
- Advancement to final round/bracket play shall be determined by total points:
 - Six points shall be awarded for a win.
 - Three points shall be awarded to each team for a tie.
 - One point shall be awarded for a shutout.
 - Zero points for a loss.

If two teams have an equal number of points at the conclusion of round robin play, the winner of will be:

- Head to head competition
- Goals against (up to max differential of 3/game)
- Goals for (up to max differential of 3/game)
- Most shutouts
- Coin toss

After completion of Pool play, teams will be seeded according to the number of total points determined per rules. The team with the highest number of points will be #1.

For 6 team tournaments, final round/bracket play begins with games as follows:

Seed #1 vs Seed #4

Seed #2 vs Seed #3

Seed #5 vs Seed #6

Winners of the top two games, will proceed to a fifth and final game with the winner of #1 vs #4 playing the winner of #2 vs #3. This game will decide first and second place for the tournament.

For 5 team tournaments, final round/bracket play begins with games as follows:

Seed #1 vs Seed #2

This game will decide first and second place for the tournament.

BRACKET PLAY RULES (ALL SQUIRT GAMES AND PLAYOFF GAMES FOR OLDER DIVISIONS)

Game is decided based upon total goals/score of the game. There is overtime- played to a winner. If the game is tied at the end of regulation:

- The teams shall not change ends.
- One five-minute stop-time sudden victory period will be played.
 - Teams will play four on four.
- If the game remains tied, there will be a three-person shootout to determine the winner.
 - All three players for each team are allowed to shoot (i.e. shootout is not sudden victory).
 - If necessary, shootout will continue in groups of three (original players may not be used again until ALL remaining players have shot) until there is a goal differential to determine a winner.