



Rider Cup Tournament Rules and Expectations

- Team must provide USAH roster before start of Tournament.
- Teams must check in at the Tournament Registration Table at minimum 45 minutes prior to the start of their first game. Each team must provide a copy of their certified USA HOCKEY roster and 3 roster stickers per game played during the tournament.
- All games will be played in accordance with USA Hockey playing rules.
- Teams will be responsible for any damages or littering to locker rooms or any other arena facilities.
- Teams are responsible for providing a parent volunteer to run their penalty box.
- Home team has the option to wear light colors and visitors will wear contrasting colors.
- If games are ahead of schedule, teams may be called up to 20 minutes early and must be ready to play.
- The tournament director has the authority to switch to run time or change the ice-resurfacing schedule to best accommodate the overall tournament schedule.
- No protests will be allowed.
- All players are required to wear complete equipment. Helmets must be worn at all times on the bench and ice.
- Spectators are encouraged to enjoy the game and cheer their team on but remember to refrain from any profanity, abusive or obscene language or gestures directed to any spectator, player, official or coach. **No noisemakers of any kind.** Violators may be asked to leave the Arena for the remainder of the tournament.
- ZERO TOLERANCE RULES WILL BE ENFORCED.

10U-14U Round Robin / Bracket

Event Rules

- 3 – 12-minute stop time periods
- 3-minute warm up period
- 1:00 minute break between periods
- If a team is ahead by 5 goals, running time will begin. Running time will continue until the goal differential is down to 3.
- Each team is permitted 1, one-minute time-out per game
- The Referee(s) is in charge of the game and the ice arena. The Referee(s) decisions are final. There are NO protests. The game is completed and certified with the Referee(s) signature on the score sheet.
- Players are allowed 4 penalties per game. Upon receiving a fifth penalty, the player will be ejected for the remainder of the game.
- USA Hockey rules will be used when assessing penalties.
- Game Misconduct Penalties: The player or coach assessed this penalty will serve the required suspension(s). If that team has a tournament game left to play, that game will be considered their next scheduled game.
- Match Penalties: Any player or coach assessed this penalty will be suspended from further tournament play.
- Overtime – There will be no overtime for Pool Play games.
- Scoring Format for Round Robin games:
 - 2 points for win
 - 1 point for tie
 - 0 points for loss
- Tie Breaker for teams with identical point totals after Round Robin
- Head to Head Competition (if a 3 way tie this tie breaker is skipped)
 - Most Wins
 - Goal differential
 - Goals for
 - Goals against
 - Fewest total penalty minutes – Game misconduct and match penalties count as 10 minutes.
 - Coin Flip
- Tie Breaker for finals games (if applicable)
 - 5-minute runtime 4-on-4 sudden death overtime (penalty time stops)
 - 3 player shootout (players serving a penalty at end of OT are ineligible)
 - Sudden death shootout (start with new players from 3 player shootout, all players except goalies must shoot before someone repeats)

Rider Cup – 8U Mites

General Jamboree Format and Rules:

- USA Hockey ADM rules regarding 8-Under will apply. Cross ice games will boards, not border patrols.
- All players, coaches, and managers must be registered with USA Hockey for the current season to be eligible for Jamboree. This will be following registration.
- The Jamboree committee will enforce the USA Hockey zero tolerance policy for spectators, parents, coaches and players. Anyone who violates these principles will be removed from the tournament.
- Protests will not be allowed for any reason. The intent of this jamboree is to promote good sportsmanship and fun.
- Travel permits will be required and checked for all teams from an affiliate requiring travel permits (all non-US teams).
- We recommend bringing both home and away jerseys if available.
- Score will be kept, maximum of 6 goal deficit, 1st & 2nd place will be awarded.

Game Format:

- Half ice games are played 4 vs. 4 with goalies
- When possible, teams should bring a light and dark jersey option. (Please see the updated schedule for jersey color)
- Coach/Manager must have team ready to start on time.
- Warm Up & Game pucks will be provided at the buzzer table.
- All coaches are required to wear helmets at all times while on the ice.
- One coach from each team will need to be on the ice to officiate during the game. Please talk to the other coach prior to the start of the game to determine or clarify rules.
- Two half-ice games will be played at one time. Games will start at the same time.
- Ice will not be resurfaced after every game; please check the schedule for resurfacing times.
- Line changes will be signaled by the buzzer every two minutes. Upon buzzer sounding, players exiting the ice must not touch the puck. Entering players will have a face-off to begin the new shift.
- No stoppage of play after a goal, the scoring team must retreat to the vicinity of their new and cannot pressure until the attacking team reaches mid-ice.
- If the puck leaves the playing area the ref will drop the puck where the last puck exited and play will resume.
- There are no icing or offside rules.
- Normal body contact as allowed for 8U age group, no deliberate checking allowed.

- No penalty shots will be awarded for penalties; all penalties will result in the penalized team retreating to their goal area, the puck will be given to the other team. Play resumes upon referee signal.
- If the referee feels a penalty was a deliberate act, the penalized player may be required to sit out or in the case of a reckless act, may be removed from the game.
- Game times
 - Warm up- 3 minutes
 - 1st period- 13 minutes
 - Rest 1 minute
 - 2nd period- 13 minutes
 - Rest 1 minutes
 - 3rd period- 13 minutes
- Handshake will take place at the end of each game. New teams will enter ice during handshake for their warm up session.
- No timeouts are permitted.
- RRHC has the authority to remove any and all coaches, players, and fans who become unruly, exhibit unsportsmanship behavior, threaten to fight or engage in fighting. The person(s) will be removed from the premise and will not be allowed to reenter.

Damage to Facilities:

- The Head Coach, or one of their assistants if they are not available, is totally responsible for the locker room. This responsibility CANNOT be delegated to a parent volunteer or any other individual that is not an assistant coach on the team. Should any player or team willfully damage any property in the facility, all costs for repair or replacement shall be paid by the team concerned. Arrangements for restitution shall be made immediately with the rink management. Any profanity or abusive behavior towards rink personnel will result in ejection from the rink and the tournament.