

1. OVERVIEW

- Play will be on July 13th and 14th, 2024 at Edora Pool and Ice Center, 1800 Riverside Dr, Fort Collins, CO 80528.
- The divisions will be dictated by USA Hockey 2023-2024 birth years. Each team will be comprised of minimum 6 skaters and maximum 8 skaters with minimum 1 coach and maximum 2 coaches or 1 coach and 1 team manager. Goaltenders must skate out.

8U (birth years 2015, 2016, 2017) 12U (birth years 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014) 19U (birth years 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010)

- Each team will play other teams within their divisional bracket but may not play all teams in their bracket. Standings will be organized by wins and losses followed by goal differential. Minimum of 4 games.
- In the event of a tie during the general play for seeding for championships tiebreakers will be determined on the following criteria:
 - 1. Head to Head
 - 2. Goal differential
 - 3. Fewest Goals against
 - 4. Most Goals For
 - 5. Coin toss
 - Game time will be 25 minutes played in 2 12 minute halves with running time and a 1 minute halftime break stated on the Master Schedule given to each team.
 - All Games will be played 4 vs 4.
 - Teams may enter the ice rink 5 minutes before the start of their game in order to warmup. Teams from the previous game will be exiting the ice rink during the same 5 minute intermission between games.
 - If tournament officials determine that the schedule is in jeopardy, they may shorten warm-up time and breaks between periods to protect the curfew time assigned to each game.
 - Once 4 games have been completed for all teams. 4 teams will be selected to play in either the championship game or 3rd place game.



2. CHAMPIONSHIP

• Should the championship game end in a tie at the end of regulation, a five (5) minute Overtime period will be played. The first team to score will be declared the winner. If two teams are still tied at the end of the overtime period, a Sudden Death Overtime period with no time limit will be played 4 on 4.

3. AWARDS

An award will be given to the winner of each division only.

4. GENERAL RULES

General Pond hockey rules will be observed

- 1. Games will be played 4 vs 4
- 2. All teams and players must be registered with USA Hockey.
- 3. Minimum 6 skaters and maximum 8 skaters, plus minimum 1 coach maximum 2 coaches per team.
- 4.2021-2025 USA Hockey Rule Book
- 5. All games shall consist of two (2) periods. All games will have 12 minute run clock halves with a 1 minute intermission. There will be no overtime games during Round Robin Play. Overtime will be played in championship game and 3rd place game only.
- 6. Penalties may be assessed by a scorekeeper and the penalized team will cede a point to the opposition
- 7. All players will be required to wear Full Equipment including neck guard (laceration protection).
- 8. Goaltending is expressly forbidden. Teams attempting to block their goal by either laying down, sliding or standing in the opening of the goal within 4 feet of the goal for an extended period of time so as to prevent goals for the other team will see goals awarded to the other team by the scorekeeper
- 9. No Checking is allowed
- 10. There will be no charge to spectators.
- 11. A volunteer score keeper will also act as the referee for each game.
- 12. Any penalties assessed will result in 1 point being awarded to the opposing team.



5. CREDENTIALS

Coaches' USA Hockey CEP and Team Manager's USA Hockey
Volunteer/SafeSport information must be current. The Tournament Board will verify all volunteers working with minors.

6. PARTICIPATING TEAMS AND OFFICIALS

- Each team may have up to two (2) USA Hockey registered coaches.
- "Officials" will be scorekeepers provided as volunteers by Fort Collins Girls Hockey Association
- Paper scoresheets will be used for scorekeeping. Scores will be posted at the conclusion of each game on the scoreboard in the main lobby.

7. SPORTSMANSHIP

- Fighting, abusive behavior, or unsportsmanlike conduct by players, team officials, parents or spectators will not be tolerated either on or off the ice and will be grounds for removal from the tournament. The USA Hockey Zero Tolerance is in effect for both players and spectators. Teams will be penalized for unruly spectators and unruly spectators will be banished from the pond for the remainder of the tournament. The scorekeepers shall have the option of ending any game should they feel that the players or game officials are endangered. In such case, the Tournament Committee and off ice officials will determine the outcome of the game.
- If for any reason a team refuses to start play, USA Hockey Rule 633 will be followed.

8. JERSEYS

• Commemorative tournament jerseys will be provided to each team and are to be worn for each tournament game.



9. LOCKER ROOM

- Locker rooms will be provided for players to dress in. Teams will share locker rooms with the team playing before and after them. Teams must be dressed 5 minutes before the start of their game to allow the previous team to exit the ice and use the locker room. Neither the Edora Pool and Ice Center nor the Fort Collins Girls Hockey Association assumes any responsibility for personal property left in the changing area.
- Each team is responsible for the security of its players' belongings and TO that they clean up after themselves.

10. DAMAGES TO RINK

 Should any player or players, or any teams willfully damage any property of the Edora Pool and Ice Center, all cost for repair or replacement shall be borne by the team(s) concerned. Arrangement for restitution must be made immediately with the Edora Pool and Ice Center.

11. CONFLICT/DISPUTE RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

- The tournament directors of the Lady Liberty Cup will decide discipline and protests. A protest fee of \$50 will be charged per protest and must be paid before the Tournament Directors or Tournament Committee hears the protest. The Committee shall be responsible for deciding any actions to be taken against a player or team official.
- No player or team official shall be suspended from participation in the remaining games unless he/she has appeared before the committee and has been given the opportunity to relate his/her version of the incident. The Committee will act on any such matters that occur after the game in which the infraction occurred and before that team's next game.

12. FEES

• The entry fee for the tournament is \$600. No refunds will be returned after teams have been accepted unless the division is canceled.



13. SAFESPORT

• It is each team's responsibility to comply with all USA Hockey and CAHA Safesport policies at this event. For any SafeSport needs during the tournament please contact safesport@valkyries.hockey.