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ELIGIBILITY / LEVELS / VENUES

10U - SQUIRT MINOR '09 & MAJOR '08

Eligibility: Top six teams in the league at each level will qualify based on regular season league play.
Format: Divisional crossover with semi-final and final games.
Minor '08 – Teams 1, 2 & 3 are in the Red Division and Teams 4, 5 & 6 are in the Blue Division.
Major '07 – Teams 1, 2 & 3 are in the Gold Division and Teams 4, 5 & 6 are in the Silver Division.
The top four teams at each age classification will advance to the semi-finals, winners will advance to the Championship game.
Highest seed is the home team for all games.
Dates: March 2 - 4, 2019
Schedule: Games begin Saturday, 03/03.
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12U - PEE WEE MINOR '07

Eligibility: National Teams 1-4 automatically qualify. The first place American Team automatically qualifies. The final slot (#6) shall go to either the fifth place National Team or the second place American Team based on the following criteria:
a) If the #5 National Team won or tied the head-to-head crossover game in regular season play, the final slot goes to the #5 National Team.
b) If the #2 American Team won the head-to-head crossover game in regular season play against the #5 National Team and the #5 National Team is less than .500 in its crossover games against the first **AND** second place American teams, the final slot goes to the American Team.
National Teams 1, 2 & 3 are in the Red Division and will play National Team 4, American Team #1 and the result of the above for slot #6 in the Blue Division.
Format: Divisional crossover with semi-final and final games
The top four teams will advance to the semi-finals, winners will advance to the Championship game.
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12U - PEE WEE MAJOR '06

Eligibility: National Teams 1-4 automatically qualify. The first place American Team automatically qualifies. The final slot (#6) shall go to either the fifth place National Team or the second place American Team based on the following criteria:

- a) If the #5 National Team won or tied the head-to-head crossover game in regular season play, the final slot goes to the #5 National Team.
- b) If the #2 American Team won the head-to-head crossover game in regular season play against the #5 National Team and the #5 National Team is less than .500 in its crossover games against the first **AND** second place American teams, the final slot goes to the American Team.

National Teams 1, 2 & 3 are in the Red Division and will play National Team 4, American Team #1 and the result of the above for slot #6 in the Blue Division.

Format: Divisional crossover with semi-final and final games
The top four teams will advance to the semi-finals, winners will advance to the Championship game. Highest seed is the home team for all games.

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14U - BANTAM MINOR '05

Eligibility: National Teams 1-4 automatically qualify. The first place American Team automatically qualifies. The final slot (#6) shall go to either the fifth place National Team or the second place American Team based on the following criteria:

- a) If the #5 National Team won or tied the head-to-head crossover game in regular season play, the final slot goes to the #5 National Team.
- b) If the #2 American Team won the head-to-head crossover game in regular season play against the #5 National Team and the #5 National Team is less than .500 in its crossover games against the first **AND** second place American teams, the final slot goes to the American Team.

National Teams 1, 2 & 3 are in the Red Division and will play National Team 4, American Team #1 and the result of the above for slot #6 in the Blue Division.

Format: Divisional crossover with semi-final and final games
The top four teams will advance to the semi-finals, winners will advance to the Championship game. Highest seed is the home team for all games.

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14U - BANTAM MAJOR '04

- Eligibility:** National Teams 1-4 automatically qualify. The first place American Team automatically qualifies. The final slot (#6) shall go to either the fifth place National Team or the second place American Team based on the following criteria:
- If the #5 National Team won or tied the head-to-head crossover game in regular season play, the final slot goes to the #5 National Team.
 - If the #2 American Team won the head-to-head crossover game in regular season play against the #5 National Team and the #5 National Team is less than .500 in its crossover games against the first **AND** second place American teams, the final slot goes to the American Team.
- National Teams 1, 2 & 3 are in the Gold Division and will play National Team 4, American Team #1 and the result of the above for slot #6 in the Silver Division.
- Format:** Divisional crossover with semi-final and final games
The top four teams will advance to the semi-finals, winners will advance to the Championship game.
Highest seed is the home team for all games.
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15 PURE '03

- Eligibility:** Top four teams in the league based on regular season league play will qualify.
- Format:** Single game elimination, (1 v 4 & 2 v 3) winners will advance to the Championship game.
Highest seed is the home team for all games.
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- Schedule:** Games begin Saturday, 03/02.
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16U - AMERICAN '02/03

Eligibility: Top four teams in the league based on regular season league play will qualify.
Format: Single game elimination.
(1 v 4 & 2 v 3) winners will advance to the Championship game.
Highest seed is the home team for all games.
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16U - NATIONAL PREMIER '02/03

Eligibility: Top four teams in the league based on regular season league play will qualify.
Format: Single game elimination.
(1 v 4 & 2 v 3) winners will advance to the Championship game.
Highest seed is the home team for all games.
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18U NATIONAL ELITE '00/01

Eligibility: Top four teams in the league based on regular season league play will qualify.
Format: Single game elimination.
(1 v 4 & 2 v 3) winners will advance to the Championship game.
Highest seed is the home team for all games.
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18U NATIONAL PREMIER '00/01

Eligibility: Top four teams in the league based on regular season league play will qualify.
Format: Single game elimination.
(1 v 4 & 2 v 3) winners will advance to the Championship game.
Highest seed is the home team for all games.
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GENERAL INFORMATION

ALL PLAYERS, COACHES, AND TEAM MANAGERS WILL BE REQUIRED TO SIGN-IN PRIOR TO PARTICIPATING IN EACH GAME.

The following information must be submitted to the Registration Desk at the AYHL Playoffs.

- Final (Dec 31, 2018) Certified USA Hockey Team Roster, authorized by your District Registrar.
- Score sheets to validate your teams 10/20. Your team must have competed as a team unit in at least twenty (20) games and each player must have played in at least ten (10) games during the season with that team. In order for games to count in meeting the 10/20 that team's player roster form (1T) must be certified by the appropriate registrar or his/her designee prior to that game being played. Teams formed and certified prior to the September 1 season start may have games played in August counted toward fulfilling the 10/20 with approval of the District Registrar. Player changes to the official team roster for youth Tier I National Championship bound teams will not be accepted after December 31, 2018.

A game is a match played against another team which is registered with a member organization of the IIHF of the same competitive level and officiated by registered officials. A game shall consist of at least three (3) periods except where the game is interrupted, (by some unforeseen event) after two (2) periods have been completed.

- Evidence of CEP (USA Hockey Coaching Education Program) level for all rostered coaches that will be participating in the AYHL Playoffs, or in the vicinity of the players bench. This should be indicated on your Certified USA Hockey Roster
- Successful completion of age specific module indicated on your Certified USA Hockey Roster for all Head and Assistant Coaches.
- Successful completion of SafeSport on your USA Hockey Roster for all Head Coaches, Assistant Coaches, Team Manager's and any other rostered bench personnel (print out or copy of on-line certificate if not indicated on roster).

NOTE: Coaches of Tier I and Tier II (National Tournament Bound) 14U, 15P, 16U, and 18U teams must complete Level 4 in their fourth season of coaching. Coaches who attain Level 4 certification are not required to attend any further certification clinics but must adhere to the age-specific requirement as outlined in the USA Hockey 2018-19 CEP Requirements.



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- A completed AYHL Code of Conduct Form for every Player, Coach, Manager and any other bench personnel listed on your USA Hockey Roster.
- Your current AYHL web site roster should match your Certified USA Hockey team roster. ONLY those players and coaches listed on BOTH your USA Hockey roster and the AYHL web site roster will be permitted to participate in games, or be in the bench area. There will be NO EXCEPTIONS to this rule, as it is a USA Hockey liability issue. Please note that all player information must be complete on the AYHL web site. There will be fines imposed by the League for each missing piece of information at a rate no less than \$25.00 per occurrence.
- **Executed AYHL Parental Pledge & Code of Ethics for each parent on your team.**
- If any rostered players birthdates are not certified on your USA Hockey roster you must provide legal evidence of birthdate and citizenship (birth certificate, passport, etc.) for those players.
- Teams and players must be dressed and ready for their games 20 minutes prior to published schedule time.
- Games will not start prior to the published time due to broadcast scheduling.
- HockeyTV will be broadcasting all AYHL Playoff Semi-Final and Championship games, Standard rates for viewing all games will apply. For additional information and to view games checkout www.hockeytv.com
- Carmo Photography will be on site for all playoff photography.
- Merchandise (including photography) will only be available at the Ice Line Facility.
- All hotel accommodations are the responsibility of the individual teams. The league will not have provisions for securing hotel rooms at any venue.
- Scorekeeping will be the responsibility of the Ice Line and Oaks Center Ice Staff. If Team Managers choose to be in the score keeping area they will be allowed providing they are properly rostered as per USA Hockey.
- Playoff game format will be the same as regular season games at each level (period length, penalties etc).
- NO OVERTIME in preliminary round robin games. Games can end in a tie. Only semi-final, final games or games where a winner must be produced will have overtime as outlined.
- Points are awarded as follows:
 - Win = 2 points
 - Tie = 1 point
 - Loss = 0 points



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AWARDS

ALL PARTICIPANTS

- Players participating in the 2018 AYHL League Playoffs will receive a complimentary t-shirt.
- All participating players will receive a commemorative pin with the AYHL Playoff logo.

FIRST & SECOND PLACE TEAMS

- One hat with AYHL Playoff logo, division and win position for each player on first and second place teams.
- One banner with AYHL Playoff logo, division and win position.

FIRST PLACE CHAMPIONS

- Championship cup trophy awarded to the winner of the Championship game at each level.

ALL AMERICAN FORWARD AND DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

- Awarded to the most outstanding forward and defenseman (two trophies) in the final championship game at each level to be determined by a neutral third party league representative.
- > *Recipient is not necessarily a player on the winning team and is at the discretion of the league representative.*

GREAT AMERICAN GOALIE OF THE CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

- Awarded to the most outstanding goaltender in the final championship game at each level to be determined by a neutral third party league representative.
- > *Recipient is not necessarily a player on the winning team and is at the discretion of the league representative.*



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THE USA HOCKEY STANDARD OF PLAY & RULES EMPHASIS

All members of the USA Hockey community share an equal responsibility to ensure the integrity of the game is upheld. The onus to implement and maintain this policy is not only on the officials but also on the coaches, players, administrators and parents. Everyone involved must demonstrate an awareness and support for the application, spirit and respect for the rules in order for continued improvement to occur in the game hockey.

To that end, we want to make sure that everyone involved in League Playoff games and in our Atlantic District Playoff games understands that this Standard of Play & Rules Emphasis will be applied in all of these games. We expect that everyone will give their full support to this policy.

Below is a brief summary of the new Standard of Play & Rules Emphasis:

Through the new Standard, our game will continue to allow the opportunity for improved skill development and a more positive hockey environment for all participants. The mission of USA Hockey is clear; through this new initiative a greater emphasis will be placed on skating, puck possession and the proper use of the body to establish position and a competitive advantage.

The goal of the new Standard is to reduce restraining infractions in the game and not to remove legal body checking or body contact. A hard body check or using body contact/position (non-checking classifications) to gain a competitive advantage over the opponent should not be penalized as long as it is performed within the rules.

The principles of this new Standard include the following:

- The use of the stick will be limited to only playing the puck.
- The stick will not be allowed to in any way impede a player's progress.
- The use of a free hand/arm will not be allowed to grab or impede a player's progress.
- Players who use their physical skills and/or anticipation and have a positional advantage shall not lose that advantage as a result of illegal acts by the opponent.
- Players will be held accountable for acts of an intimidating or dangerous nature.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ANTICIPATED COOPERATION. ENJOY THE PLAYOFFS!



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TIE BREAKERS

- 1. The results of the head-to-head games played between the tied teams in the following order:**
 - a. Standings - Most points.
 - b. Most wins.
 - c. Differential - Subtracting goals scored against from goals scored in these games, the positions being determined in order of the greatest surplus.
 - d. Quotient - Dividing the goals scored in these games by the goals scored against, the positions being determined in order of the greatest quotient. A quotient involving dividing by zero (0) has a higher standing than a quotient from dividing by any other number other than zero (0). When two or more teams have no goals against and the quotient tiebreaker is required, the teams shall be ranked high to low in descending order of "goals for."

- 2. If after applying the formulas of 1 a, b, c, or d, the tie still exists, the results of all the games played by the teams tied in the following order:**
 - a. Most wins.
 - b. Differential - Subtracting goals scored against from goals scored in these games, the positions being determined in order of the greatest surplus.
 - c. Quotient - Dividing the goals scored in these games by the goals scored against, the positions being determined in order of the greatest quotient. A quotient involving dividing by zero (0) has higher standing than a quotient from dividing by any number other than zero. Where two or more teams have no goals against and the quotient tiebreaker is required, the teams shall be ranked high to low in descending order of "goals for."
 - d. Most periods won - In the games played by each tied team, points will be awarded for each regulation period won (2 points) and for each regulation period tied (1 point). Positions shall be in the order of highest point total.
 - e. Quickest first goal - The team that scored the quickest goal in their preliminary round games shall be ranked highest.

- 3. If the above procedure does not break the tie, the teams shall use a shootout procedure as previously described.**

NOTE: Forfeits - If a team forfeits any of its games, and becomes involved in any tie breaking formulas to determine its eligibility to advance to the next level of play, the team forfeits all games in the round robin play and the games are recorded as 1-0 victory for the non-offending team.



OVERTIME RULES

Only for games where a winner must be produced (Single Game Elimination, Semi-Final and Championship Games).

1) FIRST OVERTIME PERIOD

- Regulation time sudden death overtime period, five on five.
- Three minute rest period at the end of third period of regulation play.
- Teams do not change ends.
- Penalties from the third period will carry over into the overtime period.
- Timeout permitted during overtime period providing it was not used in regulation time.
- If a team receives a penalty in overtime, the teams will play 5 on 4. If the same team is assessed a second penalty before the first one expires, then the teams will play 5 on 3.

2) SECOND OVERTIME PERIOD

- Ice resurface, all levels.
- Regulation time sudden death overtime period, five on five.
- Teams do not change ends.
- Penalties from the period will carry over into the overtime period.
- Timeout permitted during overtime period providing it was not used in regulation time.
- If a team receives a penalty in overtime, the teams will play 5 on 4. If the same team is assessed a second penalty before the first one expires, then the teams will play 5 on 3.

****If teams remain tied after the second overtime period outlined above, repeat first and second overtime period procedures above until a winner is determined. There will be no shoot out.***



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VENUES

Ice Line is the primary site for the AYHL 2019 Playoffs. The league office, merchandise and action photography will be available at this building only. Teams will cycle thru both venues, all Semi-Final and Championship games are at Ice Line.

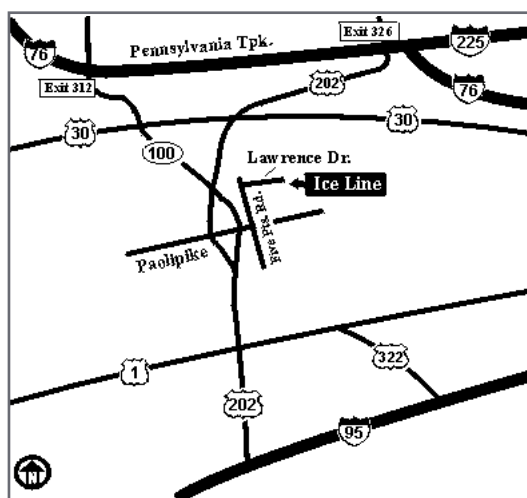
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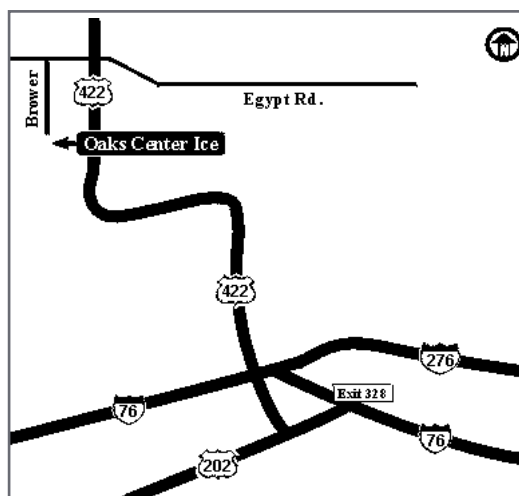
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