

2015 QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY JUNIOR TOURNAMENT May 30-June 1

Tournament Event Notice U10, U12, U14, JW

Team Composition and eligibility

• Entries are accepted only from incorporated clubs registered with NZIHA. Only players with current NZIHA registration are permitted to compete. A maximum of 8 teams per grade will be accepted and it is the responsibility of the organising team to check that every player:

a. has a current NZIHA registration

b. is playing in the grade for which he/she is eligible in 2015 or in a higher or older grade

• All players must be playing for the club with which he/she is registered with NZIHA, however, approval may be sought from the event organisers for NZIHA registered players from another club to be added to a team to make the team viable

• Players must play for only one team throughout the tournament (with the exception of Junior Women players who can also play for their club's age grade team).

• As per NZIHA rules, a maximum of 16 players plus no more than 2 goalkeepers shall be permitted on any one team roster.

• Teams should be named in writing and including NZIHA registration numbers (if possible) by no later than 15 May 2015, either by post to: **PO Box 274, Waikato Mail Centre, Hamilton, 3240** or by e-mail to: tournament@hamiltondevils.co.nz

Team Entry Fee is \$300 per team, and must be received with team entries by 15 May 2015. Entry fees are payable to BNZ Bank A/C: *020316 0041458 00*

• The Organising Committee reserves the right to ballot entries, and the right to refuse entry to the event and to the building, and may in the interest of the tournament, reschedule games and game durations to ensure optimal playing conditions.

• The Organising Committee reserves the right to either withdraw a grade prior to commencement of the tournament or combine a grade if appropriate due to insufficient registrations in a grade.

Venue

• The venue will be Hamilton Inline Hockey Club, Eastlink Sports Centre, 30 Old Farm Rd, Hamilton.

• The rink complies with the safety standards and rink dimensions set out by the NZIHA Inline Hockey Rule Book.

• The goals are the official size as stipulated in the NZIHA Rulebook.

• An electronic clock/scoreboard is used for timing all games and keeping the players, officials and spectators informed of the score and the time remaining.

• Smoking is prohibited in all areas of the Arena.

• All entrants to the arena agree to abide by local club rules.

Games and rules

• Playing rules are those set down in the NZIHA Rulebook.

• A clash of jersey colours will mean the home team will be required to change their jerseys.

• The official tournament puck is to be the IDS puck for all games.

• Game format will follow the 2 half format. 15 minutes each half with two minutes for half time. (Please note: Organisers reserve the right to alter the game durations depending on how many teams enter)

• Time out will be one per team per finals game. There will be no time outs in pool play.

There will be no sudden death overtime periods for tied pool games. There will be no stop time in pool play. Stop time will apply for finals only; (those games where a result is required).

• Teams receive 2 points for a win, 1 point for a draw and no points for a loss. In order to work out standings at the end of round robin play, teams tied on points will be separated as follows:

- (i) The winner of the game between the two teams finishes higher
- (ii) The team with the greatest goal differential finishes higher
- (iii) The team that scored the most goals overall finishes higher

Safety

• Each player is personally responsible to wear protective equipment for all games and warm-ups.

• First aid is available and where practical, a first aid officer will be present at games.

• Measures are taken to ensure the safety of spectators (e.g. safety netting, crowd control to keep spectators away from the barriers, etc.)

• All skates must be rink friendly – e.g. flush mounted axle bolts.

Uniforms

Players are uniformly dressed in the same colour and style playing shirts, cover pants are mandatory and should be of the same colour.

Officials

Referees

Two referees will officiate in each game where possible. Referees shall hold at least a Level One Referee qualification.

Scorer/Timekeepers

The Official NZIHA Scoresheet is used.

For each game there is an official scorer, game timekeeper, and penalty timekeeper.

Score Sheets

• It is the responsibility of the Team Manager to check that the team roster is correctly recorded on the Official Score Sheet.

• The Team Manager must initial the Score Sheet before each game.

• The Organising Committee will not be held responsible for omissions or errors in team rosters on score sheets.

• A copy of Score Sheets can be requested from the Organising Committee and that Committee will arrange to provide a copy of those sheets requested via email following the closing of the tournament and which will be forwarded to one club appointed Official.

Goal Judges

Goal judges may be appointed for final games only.

Disciplinary Committee

• The Tournament Disciplinary Committee will deal with all disciplinary matters. The members of this Committee shall be NZIHA members and shall be nominated by the tournament director.

• The Tournament Disciplinary Committee is empowered to discipline players, teams, team officials, and clubs for their conduct both on and off the rink before, during, and after a game.

• This Disciplinary Committee may impose disqualification, suspension, fine and/or other measures as deemed appropriate by the Committee. Hearings will be conducted at a time notified to the parties involved by the Tournament Director, and as far as is practical, during the Tournament. Penalties imposed in this tournament will, if applicable, carry over to further NZIHA sanctioned games. Details of all Disciplinary Panel matters are to be forwarded to the NZIHA and copied to the Regional Disciplinary Panel Chairperson.

Protests

Protests must be notified to the game referee verbally by the captain of the protesting team immediately after the game and in writing to the Tournament Director no later than 30 minutes after the completion of the game.
All protests must be accompanied by a fee of \$30 which is refundable if the protest is upheld.

Final note

Where the NZIHA Rule Book and the Event Notice conflict the Event Notice will take priority.