



2016 New England District U16 Tier 2 Regional Ice Hockey Championship

Welcome!

On behalf of the Vermont State Hockey Association, Vermont Shamrocks, and Cairns Arena, I would like to welcome and provide you information regarding the 2016 New England District U16 & U19 Tier II Regional Ice Hockey Championship. The tournament will be held on March 18, 19, & 20 at Cairns Arena in South Burlington, Vermont.

Cairns Arena

599 Swift Street
South Burlington, Vermont 05403
(802) 658-5577
<http://www.cairnsarena.com/>

South Burlington, Vermont is located in the western part of the state on the shores of beautiful Lake Champlain. Burlington is home to the University of Vermont and the Burlington area comprises over half of Vermont's population.

We have lodging at four establishments that have worked with hockey teams in the past and provided exceptional accommodations for teams, players, and fans.

Enclosed you will find information pertinent to this tournament including schedules, credential procedures, hotel information and rules covering the tournament. Please pay particular attention to the credential requirements.

In closing, should you have any questions pertaining to this tournament, please feel free to contact Patrick Burke at (802) 316-0545 or at pburkevt@gmail.com.

Tournament Director:.....Patrick Burke

Vermont State Tournament Director:Brian Evans-Mongeon

Additional Information Needed in Advance: **Team Photo and Logo** (JPEGs desired).

Please send information to Tournament Director in advance at the email address above.

Tournament Information

1. Unless otherwise agreed to, payment must be received in the mail prior to the tournament.
2. Cairns Arena has the following policies (these rules must be observed during the tournament):
 - a. No sticks in the locker room except to tape them. Following taping, sticks must be placed on the racks just outside of the locker room. Teams and locker rooms are secured off from the public to prevent theft or loss. However, neither Cairns Arena nor Shamrock Hockey can be held responsible for any missing, lost, or stolen items.
 - b. Noisemakers, such as cowbells, air horns, megaphones, etc. are not permitted inside the rink.
 - c. The Cairns Arena press box is for authorized media and tournament officials. It is NOT open to parents, coaches or fans.
 - d. Profane language will not be tolerated and will be subject to ejection from the tournament.
 - e. Observe the signs regarding entrance to certain areas. Families, fans, and other guests must not enter areas set aside for the teams and rink personnel.
 - f. Cairns Arena has a well-stocked concession area. Beverages and food will be available throughout the tournament. In addition, the South Burlington-Burlington area has many fine eating establishments that can accommodate most tastes.
3. We have notified area colleges and expect NCAA and ACHA coaches to attend. Each participating team is required to submit a typed list of the player's name, a team photo, grade and school and jersey numbers. Please email the roster and numbers (excel preferred) to pburkevt@gmail.com
4. Home teams (see schedule) are expected to wear light colored jerseys and away teams are expected to wear dark color jerseys.
5. All teams must be ready to play 15 minutes prior to official start time of the game.
6. There are no gate fees for this event.
7. Game sheets will be available post game.
8. Follow game results online at www.vtshamrocks.org and on Twitter @VTshamrocks

Payment Information

Team Fees: **\$1450.00 per team**

Please make team registration checks out to:

Vermont Shamrocks Hockey
C/O Matt Zambarano – E. Shore Drywall
113 Acorn Lane – Suite 1
Colchester, VT 05446

Team registration fees must be received prior to your first game.

Credentials

National Tournament Bound Tournament Teams – Do not mail your Credentials book! Your Credentials book must be complete and checked by your State Registrar. Your State Registrar will then sign the Credentials Verification form and forward it to the host (VT) State Registrar before your arrival. Your local State Registrar will also notify the host (VT) State Registrar if there are any pieces missing in your Credentials book. Should that occur, the player/players would not be allowed to play until said documentation is provided to the Tournament Director. Your book must be turned in to the local Tournament Director before your first game and will be returned to you when your team is eliminated or advances to the next level.

1. A certified Roster Registration Form (1-T) signed by your state registrar.
2. USA Hockey Code of Conduct Form for each rostered player AND coach.
3. USA Hockey Consent to Treat form for each rostered player AND coach.
4. Sanctioned game score sheet to verify compliance with the 10/14 (Girls/Women) rules for each rostered player.
5. All coaches must show on the roster (#1 above) as being credentialed at the level mandated by USA Hockey.
6. Non US Citizen eligibility must be noted as “Complete” on the roster (#1 above).

Hotel Information

Courtyard by Marriott Burlington/Williston

177 Hurricane Lane
Williston, VT 05495
802-879-0100 x6034
Contact: Christine Hungerford
chungerford@burlingtoncourtyard.com

Best Western Windjammer Inn

1076 Williston Rd,
South Burlington, VT 05403
802-651-0636
Contact: Jeff Bushey
Jeff@windjammergroup.com

DoubleTree by Hilton Burlington

1117 Williston Road
South Burlington, VT 05403
802-660-7565
Contact: Sarah Hammitt
SarahHammitt@doubletreevt.com

Discipline Committee Information

Brian Evans-Mongeon, Facilitator 802-793-6566
Ray St. Pierre
Mike Smith
Craig Weston

- (1) The Discipline Committee shall be composed of three (3) people and be appointed prior to the first game by the tournament director. Its members shall not come from the same community. The referee-in chief, or his/her appointee, shall not be eligible to serve on this committee.
- (2) The committee shall be responsible for deciding any action, suspensions or otherwise, to be taken against a player or team official receiving a game misconduct or match penalty. The committee shall have full power to waive or increase the one-or two-game suspension imposed in Rule 404 (c), Game Misconduct.
- (3) The committee shall have authority to initiate action involving supplementary discipline against a player or team official whether or not it involves the playing rules; provided, however, that no suspension shall occur without first giving notice of the intended action and providing the opportunity for a hearing.
- (4) No player or team official shall be suspended from participating in the remaining games unless he/she has been provided the opportunity to appear before the committee to relate his/her version of the incident.

***Note 1:** No hearing for game misconduct will be permitted for any player who incurs five penalties in the same game. Players shall be assessed a game misconduct penalty.*

***Note 2:** No hearing for game misconduct will be permitted for any head coach whose team incurs fifteen or more penalties during one game. The head coach shall be suspended for the next one game of that team.*

Coaches Meeting Information

This year, the mandatory coaches meeting will be conducted via conference call rather than the in-person meeting. **We will be hosting a coaches meeting on Wednesday, March, 16 at 8:00 PM. The conference call information is Number: 802-241-1400, option 7, 0126796# for the all teams.**

The meeting will address the rules and make sure all information needed has been provided. This is a **mandatory** call and each team is required to have a coach and/or manager on the call. The Head Coach will be suspended for the first game if a representative is not present on the call.

Each team is required to provide the tournament host with your Credential book and roster labels (3 labels per game, max of 5 games = 15 labels) at least one hour prior to your first tournament game.

Tournament Rules

Round Robin

Play will have 3 periods of 17 minutes.

Resurfacing Ice will be done at the beginning of the game and between 1st and 2rd periods.

Round Robin play will not have Overtimes or Time Outs. Unless otherwise agreed to by the teams and the Tournament Director, the Home Team shall wear light/white jerseys and the Visiting Team shall wear dark/colored jerseys in all games. The maximum number of players, excluding goalkeepers, shall not exceed eighteen (18). It is highly recommended that all teams arrive with two goalkeepers. Any team that cannot satisfy this requirement must notify the

Tournament Director prior to the start of the tournament. Zero Tolerance will be enforced by all on and off Ice Officials. After round robin play, the four teams with the highest standing will advance to the semi-final round.

Tie-Break Procedures in Round Robin Play

If two or more teams have an equal number of points, their position in the standings shall be determined by the following tiebreaking format. If one tie-breaker establishes a position for one or more teams, each team is placed in the applicable position. Once a team is placed, the remaining tied teams shall start the tiebreaking process over again at step 1. *(If all tied teams have not played each other, then proceed to step 2. Note: a team may go into the tiebreaking process having defeated another of the tied teams and still not advance).*

The tie-breaker formulas are as follows:

1. The results of the head-to-head games played between the tied teams in the following order:
 - a. Standings — Most points.
 - b. Most total 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 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.”
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 total 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 formula 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 victories

Directions to the Rink

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South Burlington is located along I-89 on the eastern shore of Lake Champlain in Vermont, immediately southeast of Burlington and approx. 40 km northwest of Montpelier.

From I-89: I-89 to South Burlington/Rt-2 (exit 14E). Proceed east a short distance to Dorset St. (1st right). Turn right on Dorset St. and proceed south approx. 1.7 miles to rink on the left at top of hill. Rink is behind the ballfields.

From Northbound Rt-7: Rt-7 north to Swift St. (just before I-189 connector). Turn right on Swift St. and proceed east approx. 1.5 miles to Dorset Street. Continue straight into Dorset Park and watch for rink on the left.

From Southbound Rt-7: Rt-7 south to Swift St. (near I-189 connector). Turn left on Swift St. and proceed east approx. 1.5 miles to Dorset Street. Continue straight into Dorset Park and watch for rink on the left.

New England District T2 Regional U16 Tournament Schedule

1	CT1	3	CT2
2	ME	4	NH

Each team plays all other teams in Round Robin play.

Top two overall teams by points advance to the Championship.

Date	Game	Start	Rink	Home Team	Away Team
FRIDAY, MARCH 18	1	4:40 PM	Cairns Rink 1	CT1	NH
	2	6:40 PM	Cairns Rink 1	ME	CT2
SATURDAY, MARCH 19	3	10:00 AM	Cairns Rink 2	ME	NH
	4	12:00 PM	Cairns Rink 2	CT1	CT2
	5	5:00 PM	Cairns Rink 1	CT1	ME
	6	6:50 PM	Cairns Rink 1	CT2	NH
SUNDAY MARCH 20	7	9:30 AM	Cairns Rink 1	Championship Game	