



2013-2014 SEASON
COACHES MEETING

AGENDA

- League Rules
- USA Hockey Rosters & League Fee's
- Coaches Roles
- League Schedules
- Parity Round
- End of Season Jamborees
- Open Forum - Questions

LEAGUE RULES

- **PLAYING RULES**

- **Ice Configuration**: The Fessenden School will use a Board System to separate the areas for Cross Ice Games. Coaches must wear skates and helmets on the ice. Per agreement of the participating programs, Mite games will be played on a ¼ sized rink and Squirt games will be played on a ½ sized rink. Each “rink” will be divided using the Board System.
- **Teams**:. Games can be played as 4 on 4 (including goalies) or 5 on 5 (including goalies) based on the agreement of the coaches. If consensus cannot be reached the game will be played as 4 on 4.
- **Games**: Each game will be 50 minutes, running time.. Games will be played in 1 minute shifts with a whistle or the buzzer signaling the completion of a shift. A 90 second shift is optional at the #3 Team level. Play is to continue NON-STOP with teams changing on the fly. Should a goal be score or a stoppage in play develops for any reason the coach-referee will throw a puck into a neutral area on the ice.
- **Coaches Roles**: There is to be one coach for each team on the ice, in skates and a helmet. The coach is to act as a Referee, NOT a coach.
- **Penalties** will be issued but no team will play shorthanded. A penalty will be served by the offending player leaving the ice for the remainder of his/her shift and be replaced by another player. A 2nd coach is required to be in the bench area for their team and ensure that their players who are not currently out on a shift are waiting in an orderly manner for their turn to go on the ice and that they get on the ice quickly when it is their turn. There is to be NO coaching on the ice. Coaches on the benches are free to discuss in game situations as they feel it is necessary. ***A PENALTY IS ONLY TO BE CALLED IF IT IS DETERMINED THAT THE PLAYER EITHER COMMITTED THE PENALTY INTENTIONALLY AND/OR MALICIOUSLY. Please use these as teaching moments for respect of opponents and safety in the game.***

LEAGUE RULES CONTINUED

PARITY ROUND

- The first four (4) weeks of the season will be used as a Parity Round to ensure that all teams are playing against teams that will ensure the best competitive situation for all. This is part of the “season”.
- Each team is to submit their Game Scores & Review no later than 10am Monday morning. Scores will not be entered into the system for the purpose of keeping standings. They will only be used for divisional placement after the Parity Round. Scores will not be publically available.
- Teams moved into the “B” Division for the regular season will have scores & standings kept beginning with the first week of the regular season. The first week of the regular season will be the first games played after the conclusion of the Parity Round.
- B Division Teams are to report game scores by 10am Monday morning to kathi@teamstraining.com
- The Parity Round is currently scheduled to run for 4 weeks. If at the end of those 4 weeks, it is determined that another 1-2 weeks is needed, it will be extended.

PARKING, LOCKER ROOMS, GAME ETIQUETTE & PARENTS

- NO Parents on or near any bench area.
- Blue Pucks will be used for all games.
- All players and coaches are to shake hands with opponent at end of each game in an orderly and respectful manner.
- PARKING: Drop off your player and then park.
- Locker Rooms – All players must dress in the locker rooms assigned to the team(s). NO GETTING DRESSED IN THE LOBBY OR IN RINK AREAS OUTSIDE OF THE LOCKER ROOM
- YELLING AT ANY PLAYER, LEAGUE OFFICIAL OR COACH WILL NOT BE TOLERATED. ANYONE FAILING TO ADHERE TO THIS RULE WILL BE REMOVED IMMEDIATELY.

USA HOCKEY ROSTERS & LEAGUE FEES

Your program is responsible to submit your official Stamped USA Hockey Roster for each of its participating teams no later than November 1st, 2013. These are needed for liability purposes only.

Teams without an official roster submitted by November 1st will be ineligible to play their league games until submitted. Games missed due to rosters not being submitted by the November 1st deadline will NOT be replaced.

All league fee's should be paid in full by December 1st, 2013. Teams without their league fee's submitted by December 1st will be ineligible to play their league games until the balance is received. Games missed due to league fee's not being paid on time will NOT be replaced.

COACHES ROLES

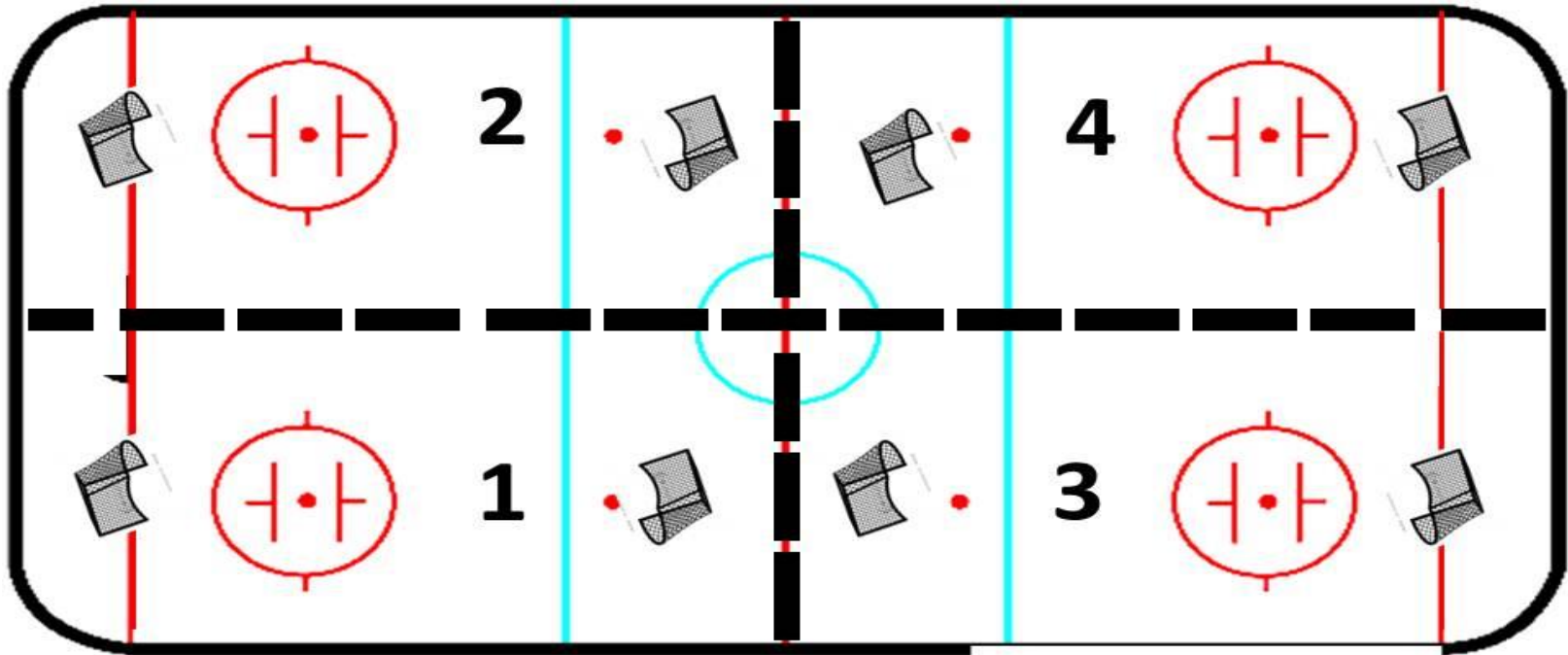
- There is to be one (1) coach PER TEAM on the ice at all times;
- There is to be at least one (1) coach PER TEAM in the bench area at all times;
- The on ice coach acts as the “Referee” only. NO COACHING during the game please!
- The bench area coach is to keep the kids organized and prepared to go on the ice as quickly as possible when the players on the ice are coming off the ice.
- All line changes are done ‘on the fly’

LEAGUE SCHEDULE

- Season starts: Sunday, October 20th
- Season ends: Sunday, March 16th
- 1ST Week:

Rink 1					
12:00p - 12:50p	>MITE HOUSE LEAGUE>	Newton Mite Black vs. NYHAMTBUE1	GAME	0	
12:55p - 1:45p	>MITE HOUSE LEAGUE>	Needham Mite Yellow 1 (h) vs. Wellesley Mite Red	GAME	0	
2:00p - 2:50p					
RINK 2					
12:00p - 12:50p	>MITE HOUSE LEAGUE>	Needham Mite Blue 2 (h) vs. Newton Mite Blue	GAME	0	
12:55p - 1:45p	>MITE HOUSE LEAGUE>	Needham Mite Yellow 2 (h) vs. Wellesley Mite Black	GAME	0	
2:00p - 2:50p					
RINK 3					
12:00p - 12:50p	>SQUIRT HOUSE LEAGUE>	Needham Squirt Gold 1 (h) vs. Newton Squirt	GAME	0	
12:55p - 1:45p	>SQUIRT HOUSE LEAGUE>	Needham Squirt Gold 2 vs. WELLSU10	GAME	0	
2:00p - 2:50p					
RINK 4					
2:00p - 2:50p	>MITE HOUSE LEAGUE>	Needham Mite White 2 vs. NYHMTORANGE	GAME	0	

Rink Configuration



12PM & 12:55PM GAME TIMES:

RINKS 1 AND 2- MITES

RINK 3- SQUIRTS (HALF RINK)

2PM GAME TIMES:

RINKS 1, 2, 3 AND 4 - MITES

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QWeXI5DSpEg>

Link to Cross Ice Video

Parity Round Procedures

- Schedules for first 4 weeks of season are now posted to the MCHIL website; Length of Parity Round will NOT increase length of season.
- Coaches for all divisions: Please submit game scores & review each week to kathi@teamstraining.com;
 - Example:
 - Subject Line: NewtonMiteOrange (9) v. Needham Mite Blue 1 (8)
 - Body of Email: Game Review: competitive game between both teams.
 - Once the divisions are set for the remainder of the season, you will no longer need to submit game scores or reviews. If for some reason your team is struggling where they are placed you are welcome to notify us of the same and we will do our best to alter your schedule against other teams that may be a better fit.
- Include the score for each team after their team name.
- Please submit by 10am Monday morning

END OF SEASON JAMBOREE

MCIHL would like to introduce a new way to end the season for the teams participating in its league this year. There will be a vote at the end of this presentation to determine if enough programs are interested to go forward.

End of Season Jamboree – 4 game guarantee, all teams eligible to participate. Saturday games will be “seeding” games, Sunday will be 1 v. 2 and 3 v. 4 from each bracket. Champion and Runner Up medals and Consolation/Participant medals for all players.

Additional Cost: \$150 per team. This idea came up after we had already completed the budget and started planning for this season. If all programs vote to participate this year, it will automatically be added to the budget and included in your league fee’s for next season.