



Hanover Hockey Association 16th Annual Thanksgiving Holiday Tournament

Tournament Information

Thank you for your interest in the 16th Annual Hanover Thanksgiving Holiday Tournament. The Tournament will be held in the Upper Valley on November 27 – November 29, 2009. The tournament will feature Squirt and PeeWee divisions with play intended to be at or near Tier I in the Granite State League; highly competitive Select teams and teams playing below Tier II in the GSL are discouraged from participating so we can maintain the competitive balance of this tournament.

The tournament has a history of being fun and competitive. It is a good opportunity to see some new teams and make some new friends. Over the past few years we have had teams participating from New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Maine, Rhode Island, and New York.

The tournament schedule will be planned for no more than 8 teams in each division. Tournament slots will be awarded upon receipt of the entry fees. Last year's tournament was filled by early October so we encourage you to plan early. Tournament slots will be filled on a first come, first serve basis. A slot is not guaranteed until the tournament application and fee is received.

The tournament fee is \$850.00. Participants will receive a packet of information including travel directions and a listing of local hotels and restaurants. **We also publish a high quality Tournament Program and will need your team roster (via email or the form below) and picture in mid-October to meet our publishing deadlines.**

The Thanksgiving holiday is a beautiful time to visit the Upper Valley/Lake Sunapee/Dartmouth College area. We look forward to seeing you at this great Thanksgiving tradition of good hockey and good fun.

If you need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact either of us.

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Tournament Rules

- 1) All teams shall play preliminary round games to determine which teams advance:
 - 1a) All teams shall play in a preliminary round consisting of at least three games to determine seeding for advancement. Seeding will be based on the number of points earned in the preliminary round.
 - 1b) Depending on the number of teams in the division (Squirt and Peewee), teams will advance to a semifinal round (top four teams) or a final round (top two teams) and a consolation game (teams in third and fourth place). There will be no overtime in preliminary round games.
- 2) Points shall be awarded in the preliminary round as follows: (a) 2 points for a win, (b) 1 point for a tie, (c) 1 point for each period won (1/2 point for a tie in period). Total of 5 points per game.
- 3) In the event of a tie in the number of points earned in the preliminary rounds, the following tie-breakers shall be applied to determine the final position:
 - a) Head to head result
 - b) Games won
 - c) Least goals allowed
 - d) Least penalty minutes
- 4) A tie in a consolation game remains a tie. A tie in semifinals or finals shall be settled by one five minute sudden death OT period with both teams playing 4 on 4 (plus goalie). If no goal is scored in the five minute OT period, the teams shall play successive twelve minute sudden death OT periods, 3 on 3 (plus goalie).
- 5) Penalties will carry over to overtime. If a team is penalized during the overtime, the minimum number of players on the ice will be 2. For example, if it is a 3 on 3 situation and a penalty occurs, it will become a 3 on 2 situation for the duration of the penalty. If an additional penalty is incurred, the penalized player will go to the box and the penalty will begin after the previous penalty expires. There are no changes of ends during overtime and intermissions shall last 1 minute.
- 6) All games shall be 3 periods of 12 minute stopped time. The sole exception is a lead of 6 or more goals in the third period, in which case, running time shall be utilized for the remainder of the game.
- 7) Pre game warm-ups are 3 minutes from the sounding of the horn. Teams shall be prepared to take the ice 15 minutes prior to scheduled game time. One time-out shall be allowed in semifinal and final games; no time-outs are permitted in other games.
- 8) ZERO TOLERANCE standards apply throughout the tournament. USA Hockey rules shall apply in all other situations.