

Men's 4-Play Tournament Rules

Cost: - \$XXX per team. Teams are guaranteed 3 games. The two teams in the championship game will get 4. Payment can be sent via Venmo to @YakimaHockey, or by cash/check prior to your first game.

General Rules:

1. Each game will have a 5 minute warm-up with **(3) 18 minute run time** periods. A competitive rule will be in play as follows: If the score of the game is within two goals in the last 2 minutes of the third period, we will go to stop time as long as the score remains within those parameters.
2. Because of playing run time, minor penalties will be assessed to 3 minutes in the box, 6 minutes for a double minor. If the play is stopped when the penalty time runs out, the player cannot enter the ice until the next puck drop, or if the period runs out during a stoppage of play, the penalty is over and the player may return.
3. This is a **non-checking tournament**.
4. Only one penalty can be served at one time. In the event of having more than one player from the same team in the penalty box at one time, the oldest penalty will be run first, with the next one starting when the first penalty runs out. This is because of the 4 on 4 play, so a PP will be 4 on 3.
5. Fighting is **NOT** allowed. If a player receives a fighting penalty, that player will be ejected from the game and will also miss their next game. Another player must serve their 5 minute major penalty. For any severe infractions such as abuse of an official, a major penalty, or fighting, a player may be ejected from the tournament at the discretion of the officials and tournament directors.
6. If a player receives 4 penalties in a game, that player will be ejected from that game.
7. If a player is ejected from 2 games during the tourney, that player will not be allowed to play in any remaining games for any team during the tourney.
8. Slap shots are allowed.
9. **Offsides** - players must "tag up" the blue line before re-entering the zone.
10. There will be no timeouts during any game except the championship game. Each team will get (one) two-minute timeout in the championship game.
11. Icing will not be called for teams on a penalty kill.
12. **Team scoring** will be by points: **win 2, tie 1 and loss 0**. Then it goes to
 - **Head to Head**
 - **Goal differential**
 - **Penalty Minutes**
 - **Time for first goal in tournament**
13. The championship game cannot end in a tie. If the score is tied at the end of the 3rd period, there will be a 5 minute sudden death overtime. If the score is tied after overtime there will be a shootout to determine the champion.

Unless noted above, we will follow USA Hockey rules.

Any questions about the rules are subject to review and resolution by the game refs and the tournament organizers.