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Description automatically generated EMHA U9 PAPERTOWN HALFTIME TOURNAMENT RULES AND REGULATIONS**

Unless otherwise specified, NOHA rules apply in all games.

1. All teams must be prepared to go on the ice 15 minutes before the scheduled start of the game. Games can start a maximum of 15 minutes before the scheduled time.

2. Teams may sign up to (20) players, including a spare goalie. Only 5 members of the coaching staff are allowed on the bench at any given time.

3. Tournament Committee decisions are final. Appeals and/or Protests are not allowed.

4. Home Team will change jerseys in the event of a conflict.

5. It is the responsibility of the Coach/Manager to inform the Tournament Committee of players who are not able to be photographed.

6. No player, coach, or coaching staff member is allowed in the on-ice officials’ change room.

7. Any player receiving three (3) minor penalties in a game will be ejected for the remainder of the game.

8. Any profanity (verbal or gesture) from coach(es), player(s), or parent(s) will result in expulsion from the tournament. Team coaches are responsible for their players both on and off the ice.

9. There is no body checking.

10. All games will consist of 2 run time games to be played simultaneously (2 x 20-minute periods with a 5-minute intermission).

11. Warm up time is 3 minutes. The tournament committee reserves the right to reduce this time should the tournament be running over times.

12. Ice will be resurfaced after each game.

13. Teams are to be divided into 2 sides, playing with like-skilled players (regardless of birth year).

a. Format is 4 on 4 with goalies. Or 3 on 3 if both teams agree.

b. Goalies are to switch ends at the intermission within their assigned end (A goalie stays on A side; B goalie stays on B side) to allow each team the opportunity to play with the goal crease.

c. After a goal or whistle, the attacking team must retreat to the tag-up line to let the defending team get control of the puck.

14. Any fight will result in suspension for the duration of the tournament.