

Spokane Women's Hockey "Spirit Of America" 2012 Tournament Rules

Coaches/Teams/Referees – Please know these rules for the tournament

1. All games will be played under USA Hockey rules, including touch-up offsides and no-touch icing.
2. Slap shots are permitted.
3. Gretzky Rule In Effect: No player may score more than 3 goals in a single game. Any 4th (or more) goal scored by an individual in one game will be waived off.
4. Age Limit: All players must be 19 years old by January 27, 2012.
5. Unsportsmanlike behavior and unnecessary roughness will not be tolerated. Any player receiving a 3rd penalty in one game will be ejected from that game. If a player is ejected from any two games, that player is expelled from the tournament and will not play in any remaining games, including their team's 3rd game, play-offs, or the championship game.
6. Curfew Time: no time-outs.
7. Rosters will be turned in to Spokane Women's Hockey registrar before the tournament begins. The roster may not be changed after the tournament begins, with the exception of goalies. No one may skate out for more than one team. Goalies may goal for more than one team. Roster questions and decisions are the purvey of the SWH tournament coordinator. Remember: If you are a rostered US player, you must be USA Hockey registered.
8. Games will be played as follows:
 - 1.25 hours in length
 - 5 minute warm-up
 - 3 minute minor penalties
 - No icing will be called during the last three (3) minutes of the 3rd period if the score has a one-goal difference
 - There will be an ice cut between each game
9. In case of a tie game during the round robin, there will be no overtime. Each team will receive one (1) point.
10. There are two (2) brackets. Each team is guaranteed three (3) games. There will be a championship game in each division, no semi-final games.
11. Division winners will be decided by:
 - Total points (2 points for a win and 1 point for a tie)
 - Goal differential (with a cap of plus/minus 6 per game)
 - Least penalty minutes
12. A tie in a championship game will be broken as follows:
 - Three player shootout until the tie is broken
13. Locker room assignments will be posted in the lobby at the welcoming table. They are also on the schedule which you will find around the rink and in your team welcome packet.
 - If your team needs to use a padlock to lock your locker room while playing, please see the SWH table in the front lobby. You can borrow a lock from us. We just ask for your driver's license as collateral. See your scorekeeper to return the padlock and retrieve your license.
 - Spokane Women's Hockey and Eagle's Ice A-Rena are not responsible for any lost or stolen items.

HAVE FUN! If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please contact a Spokane Women's Hockey member at the welcoming table in the lobby.

Thank you for participating in Spirit of America 2012!