



**GANANOQUE ROYALS  
WATERWAY CLASS  
OWHA SANCTIONED  
TOURNAMENT:  
2526081**



Rules for the tournament include:

**U9 and U11 Divisions:**

1. This tournament is run under the sanction of the OWHA; OWHA and Hockey Canada rules shall apply.
2. The OWHA minimum suspension guidelines will be strictly enforced. All suspensions will be enforced according to OWHA Constitution, Bylaws, and Regulations & Rules.
3. The team Manager or Coach must check in with the Tournament Coordinator 60 minutes prior to the start of the team's first game. Official team roster needs to be provided by the team and approved by OWHA in order to participate in this tournament. (Only players whose names appearing on the roster given when registering with entry fee will be eligible to play unless prior notification is given to and accepted by the tournament coordinator, a minimum of 24 hours prior to the start of the tournament.
4. Each team can carry up to 18 players including 2 goalies. All players and team staff must sign the RAMP game sheet prior to the start of each game.
5. Teams will be awarded two points for a win, one point for a tie and no points for a loss.
6. Teams can only get credit up to a maximum of 5 goal differential for the purposes of tiebreakers. All the goals scored by the losing team will determine the score being used for the standings. For example, for a 8-1 actual game result a score of 6-1 will be recorded for the standings for both teams.
7. Standings after the round robin will be calculated on the basis of the points awarded as per Rule #5. In the event of a tie, the following criteria will be used to break the tie:
  - a) Winner between the tied teams. (Applies to 2-way ties only, 3 or more teams tied start with tie breaker
  - b) Number of wins
  - c) Percentage as calculated by dividing team's total "Goals For" by the SUM of the team's "Goals For and Goals Against". ( $GF / (GF+GA)$ ). If  $GF + GA = 0$ , the % shall be set at 0.5
  - d) Fewest Goals Against
  - e) Most Goals For
  - f) Fewest Penalty Minutes
  - g) Coin Toss.

\*\*\* Tie breaking rules will be followed in order. Once a Tie Breaking Rule has been used or is not applicable, it cannot be used again. Where more than 2 teams are tied the rules will



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be applied from b to g until the order of finish is determined.\*\*\*

8. Each team must be dressed and ready to start the game 20 minutes before the scheduled start time.

9. All OWA rules apply and will be enforced.

10. If at any time during the last 10 minutes of play in the third period there is a goal differential of 5 or more, the clock will continue running time. If the differential becomes less than 5 the game will return to stop time.

11. Each team has to have a certified trainer on the bench for every game. Please inform the other team and the tournament coordinator if you do not have a trainer.

12. When team colours are conflicting, the home team will be expected to change sweaters.

13. All referee decisions are final.

14. All referees, timekeepers and scorekeepers are assigned by GGHA.

15. GGHA and the tournament committee does not accept responsibility for theft, damage, accidents or injuries to participants, spectators, equipment and personal belongings.

16. Initial games will consist of a 2-minute warm up and 10/10/10 minute stop time periods. No time outs shall be allowed in any tournament games.

17. In the event of a tie at the end of regulation in a Championship game, a shootout shall occur. Each team must designate 3 shooters (S1, S2 and S3) directly on the game sheet prior to the start of the game;

a) All players except shooter and goalies will be on the bench. Once a player has shot, they will go to the penalty box.

b) Shooters from both teams will shoot simultaneously, starting at centre ice.

c) All 3 designated shooters from each team will shoot first in order S1, S2, S3.

d) If still tied, each team will designate one shooter at a time until there is a winner.

e) A player may not shoot for a second time until all eligible players on the game sheet (except goalies) have shot; and

f) Any player serving a penalty at the end of regulation will not be eligible to participate in the shootout. If they are one of the 3 identified shooters, their position shall be skipped, and the coach shall identify another player to shoot in the S3 slot.

18. On the day of the tournament the committee or coordinator reserves the right to make



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any decisions on the interpretation of the tournament rules, objections, protests etc. All decisions by the organizers will be final.

19. If for any reason, the goaltender cannot continue to play, and no second goalie is available to replace; they must be replaced immediately by a substitute player. No time will be allowed for the goaltender to replace their equipment or to dress a substitute goaltender.

20. Players must play at least one round robin game to be eligible for the semi-final or final game.

21. Any 5-minute major penalty for fighting, any match penalty, or any gross misconduct penalty will disqualify the player/team official from any further participation in the tournament.

22. Zero tolerance is in effect for all coaches, players and spectators and will be strictly enforced by referees and/ or the tournament committee/coordinator. This is a no alcohol/marijuana event and is strictly enforced.

23. Teams are guaranteed 3 games.

24. For the U9 and U11 Division: Medals will be awarded to A finalists and A champions & B Finalists and B Champions

## **U7**

The U7 Jamboree will take place in a half ice format. Dividers will be placed down the centre of the ice and play will take place at both ends.

This format requires each team to play at both ends of the ice at the same time (this is one synchronized game). Each team will furnish two goalies and split the team into two balanced squads. (i.e. team of 16 player, 7 players and a goalie at each end)

There will be 2 x 22 minute periods, running time with buzzer changes every 2 minutes.

*Please be ready to play 20 minutes before your game if the schedules are running early.*

All U7 players will be awarded a medal.

For all divisions: Please be advised of the following OWA rule regarding tournament withdrawal:

OWHA Rule Two (P) - Tournament Withdrawal



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1. Written notice of withdrawal from a tournament must be received by the Tournament Host four (4) weeks prior to the tournament (December 19th, 2025). Failure to comply will result in a fine of \$200.00 payable to the OWA within 30 days.

2. If a team withdraws from a tournament other than as specified in RULE TWO (I)(10), the following fines will be levied by the OWA, to be divided 60% to the OWA and 40% to the tournament host.

All fines are in addition to the fine levied in #1 above.

- 7-10 days prior to tournament \$100.00
- 2-6 days prior to tournament \$150.00
- A day prior to tournament \$200.00
- No show \$300.00

3. Penalized teams may appeal these penalties on the grounds of unavoidable accident or unforeseen circumstances as per Appeal Procedures. 4. The Tournament Host is entitled to retain the tournament entry fee of any team which withdraws 4 weeks or less prior to the tournament.