



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q What are the dates of the 2018 CCM Girls World Hockey Invite? When does my team have to be ready to play and when can we depart?

The Girls Tournament will be conducted November 9-11, 2018. All teams must be ready to play their first game on Friday, November 9th, 2018 at 7:00 a.m. All championship games conclude by 5:40pm on Sunday, November 11th. Every team should arrange to be in on Thursday night November 8th, 2018.

Almost every team will play 2 games on Friday, and 2 games on Saturday. All semi and championship games are on Sunday, and are always over at the latest 4:30pm. You will play games on Sunday, if you qualify for the playoffs, starting at 7:00am. Some consolation games fall on Sunday as well.

Q How do I apply for the Tournament?

One may apply for the event by submitting the on line application. To be considered for an entry spot both the application and deposit fee must be submitted. Once the application is received, it is input into our database. An email is then sent out automatically to the email address indicated on the application (please be sure your email address is accurate to ensure that the return email is sent to the correct address). This email acknowledges receipt of your application as well as provides you with further information. This email is not a final offer of acceptance into the tournament.

Q What is the cost of the tournament?

The total entry fee is **\$1,575.00**. A \$150 discount is offered for teams paying in full by May 25th, 2018 and for Clubs/Associations bringing multiple teams (3 or more). Canadian Team Fee \$1,325.00 USD. Only one discount will be permitted (cannot combine both) off the full entry fee. A \$500 USD Deposit fee will be due for all teams applying to the World Hockey Invite (*subject to availability). Final balances will be due by September 1st, 2018.



Q Do I have to stay at Designated Hotels?

All accepted teams must stay in authorized tournament hotels and submit all pre-registration forms. All hotels are in close proximity to arenas, restaurants, shopping malls and other attractions. **A hotel tournament packet will be emailed out to all accepted team contacts by July 13th, 2018** and also posted on the web site under Accommodations. Typically our hotel coordinator will release all Hotel Assignments on or before Friday, October 5th, 2018. Any and all questions regarding Hotels must be directed to Laura @ laura@200x85.com or Christina @ christina@200x85.com

Q How do I know you have received all my information?

A team checklist for each age level will be posted on the website in early July. This online document details various information that needs to be completed including application, deposits, balance, hotel forms, team roster etc. The website is updated every few days to keep track of what the CCM Girls World Hockey Invite has received and what is still missing from each accepted team. Please note that **final team balances are due by September 1st, 2018**. Any team not paid in full by this date will lose their spot.

Q What is the structure of the tournament and how will teams be selected? Should we indicate our state, province and national ranking?

The **Girl's** U19, U16, U14, U12 and U10 are separated into USA Teams at the Tier 2 (A/AA) and Tier 1 (AAA) levels. Canadian teams typically follow A/AA and we will look to place them appropriately with the USA Tier 1 and Tier 2 teams.

Every year we simply try to have as many competitive games for all teams entering our tournaments. Nothing is better or does more to keep interest high in tournaments than evenly contested games. Our intent is to try and determine where each team will fall and work extremely hard to make sure we have good match ups for all the teams involved. We will ask plenty of questions and will communicate with your team coach/manager to help both of us determine the proper level of play. USAH (and each individual state) plus Hockey Canada (particularly Ontario) have vastly different name interpretations for each level of play. Please contact our Tournament Director Julie Pardoski jpardoski@suburbanice.com for more information on the varying amounts of competitiveness for the Girls playing levels.

The CCM Girls World Hockey Invite Tournament Committee will use a criteria system to choose teams. It's always best to get your applications in early. Feel free to give us whatever information you think would help us better make the right decisions regarding acceptance, brackets, etc... This information is used when determining the appropriate divisions for each team as well as in the seeding process. Our



committee requests that each team send in game results from last season, including all exhibition games, tournament games and league games.

Please see the very bottom of this page for the Tournament Format for each Girl's Age Level.

Q How many teams will be playing?

We anticipate 100-120 Girls Teams participating in Detroit.

Q Where do teams come from?

We will get teams registering from all over North America. Representation typically comes from 30 plus states and a few Canadian provinces.

Q Do you accept Mite/Novice age teams?

No. Mite/Novice teams are not permitted to play in the event, regardless of where/how they are registered, i.e. USAH or Hockey Canada.

Q When will we know if we have been accepted?

All competitive **Tier 2 (A CDN)** and **Tier 1 (AA CDN)** Girls teams that apply before May 25th will be guaranteed acceptance immediately. All other teams will be notified no later than Friday, July 13th, 2018. * **If total applications once again exceed the number of teams the tournament can accept ~ earlier notification will be given.** Please note that all offers of acceptances are tentative until your application and deposit are received.

Q What is the Refund Policy?

Any team **not accepted** to the CCM Girls World Hockey Invite will be refunded their entire deposit by July 13th, 2018. Any team **accepted** to either the Tier 2 (A CDN) and Tier 1 (AA CDN) has a non-refundable deposit. If we have a team on the waiting list who can replace your team prior to August 10th, 2018 then your deposit refund will be issued. **No refunds (deposits or full team entry fees)** will be issued at either divisions after August 10th, 2018.

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Q Do I need to make my own travel arrangements? Are there discount airline and car partners?

Yes, all travel arrangements are handled by each team/family on their own. **United Airlines** is our official Airline for the CCM World Hockey Invites. For discounted fares - you can book on line at www.united.com or call the Special Meeting Desk at 1-800-426-1122 and refer to:

Z code **ZEZZ** and the Agreement Code **335837** in the Offer Code box while searching for flights.

The tournament website also has information for **BUDGET/AVIS** on car rentals under "TRANSPORTATION".

Q Where are the games and age levels played? Do participants play in more than one ice arena?

We will be utilizing a total of 8 ice facilities and 16 sheets of ice for the Girls. We will likely rotate specific age levels and divisions around a certain demographic area. You will likely have games at a couple different sites/arenas.

Q When is the tournament schedule released?

The schedule for the 2018 CCM Girls World Hockey Invite will be released on **October 19th, 2018**. We make every attempt not to make changes to the schedule after the release dates, however sometimes things happen that are out of our control and changes are made. It is important to monitor the website at www.ccmworldinvite.com for updates. We will send emails as well. Please be sure your we have your correct email addresses on file (coach and manager) in order to receive these important updates.

Q Our Head Coach has more than one team to oversee can scheduling arrangements be made?

We understand there can be personal conflicts that may hinder some coaches with multiple teams. Although we cannot promise that we can accommodate everyone's request. If a request is put in prior to **July 13th** we will make every attempt possible to help coordinate your games. On the application form there is an area listed for Special Requests. Let us know your conflict and we will make every effort to accommodate your request!

Q How and when do we submit our team roster for the tournament?



An ON-LINE LINK will be posted in **late September** for submitting your team roster. Your team roster must be submitted on line by no later than **October 12th, 2018**. This ON LINE roster link is used for the tournament program and score sheet labels. . A certified team roster from your governing body (hard copy) must also be sent in. Game sheets will be **pre-filled** by our staff prior to the tournament starting. It is a good idea to have extra labels in the event your team advances past the round robin portion of the tournament.

Q What Rules do you play by? What are the rule differences between USAH and Canada?

Teams must be affiliated with one of the following: CHA, USA Hockey or IIHF. The **2018** Rules and Regulations will be posted on **Friday, October 19th** when the tournament schedule is released. All games are operated under USAH Rules and Regulations. Neck guards are only required and mandatory if your US state/affiliate requires them. All USAH registered players, including goalkeepers in the U12 (07, 06) through Midget (U16 & U19 age classifications are required to wear a colored (non clear) internal mouthpiece that covers all the remaining teeth of one jaw, customarily the upper. Canadian teams will abide by the equipment requirements of their governing organization. For the first violation of this rule, the team shall be issued a warning. A misconduct penalty shall be assessed to any player or goalkeeper of that team for a subsequent violation during that game. For U10 and U12 - USA Hockey replaced the delayed offside rule with an automatic whistle. Consequently, if a player is offside, the whistle will be blown immediately. If the offside is accidental then the face-off will occur just outside the offensive zone blue-line, an intentional offside will be whistled down with the face-off occurring in the violating team's defensive zone.

Q What do we need to provide as part of tournament sanctioning?

It is very important we receive a copy of your **Travel Permit** (if required by your state/affiliate) and **Certified USAH/Hockey Canada Roster** by **October 19th**. These permits and rosters must be approved/signed by your governing body/affiliate. If you have an electronic version of these documents please email them to Barbie Purpura @ barbie@200x85.com If you do not have an electronic version then you can fax the documents to 630-929-7538. Please be sure to have a copy of your approved roster sheet and travel permit as back up if needed.

Q What is the Girls Tournament Sanction number?

GIRLS Sanction number is: **MIT1937693841**

Q Do you accept non-sanctioned USAH, Hockey Canada or IIHF teams?



No, you must be properly registered with your National Governing Bodies.

Q What is the roster limit?

USAH permits 20 players to be included on your team roster.

Q What are the Game Times?

All games will be run under Stop Time. Game length will be as follows:

U10 & U12 Round Robin, Semi-Final & Championship Games – 3 x 13 minute periods.

U14 Round Robin, Semi-Final & Championship Games – 3 x 14 minute periods.

U16 and U19 Round Robin, Semi-Final & Championship Games – 3 x 15 minute periods. Ice Make after every two periods.

Q When does my team need to Check In and Register at the Tournament?

All teams will check in and register one (1) hour prior to their first scheduled game (at the designated arena) on Friday, November 9th. In addition, each team picks up there 200x85 CCM Team Credentials/Lanyards, Duffle Bag, CCM Individual Player Gift, and additional tournament information prior to their first scheduled game.

Q What other activities encompass the Girls tournament experience?

We will always put on an AMAZING tournament and will have many exciting and new Experiences to announce as we get closer to the tournament dates. Over the course of the weekend – CCM Hockey will put on their fantastic Get Fast Demo Experience to test out the latest CCM hockey equipment and we will have interactive exhibits, booths, games, displays and much more. We would encourage all family members and friends to take part in this incredible 200 x 85 experience!

Q Are there many scouts that attend? And where are they from?

Yes. Over the past few years this tournament is one of your best choices for players/teams who are looking for College Exposure. We have a huge influx of scouts/coaches who attend from the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA), the American Collegiate Hockey Association (ACHA) and the Canadian Colleges Athletic Association.



Q Is there a Gate Fee for the tournament?

No, we do not charge any entry fees for the CCM Girls World Hockey Invite. Any individual can attend any games for free.

Q Can I check out the CCM Girls World Hockey Invite as a spectator?

Yes. Admission is FREE for every game. Come check out this fun event and great competition!

Q Will friends at home be able to watch streamlined video?

We are continuing to partner with Live Barn as they look to live stream in all of our events. Please look for additional rink information that will be posted on our tournament Home Page.

Q Will there be tournament merchandise?

Yes, the tournament will have on site sales at almost all designated ice facilities.

Q What is the 2018 Tournament Format?

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U12's: 20 Total Teams. Two Divisions. Both the **U12 Tier 1 & 2 Divisions** will have 10 teams. Each level will comprise of 2 brackets of 5 teams each. Teams will play each team in their bracket once (4 games). The top teams in each bracket (4 total teams) after the round robin will advance to the semi final and championship round. Teams finishing 3rd, 4th or 5th in their bracket will have finished the tournament

U14's: 32 Total Teams. Two Divisions. Both the **U14 Tier 1 & 2 Divisions** will have 16 teams. Each level will comprise of 4 brackets of 4 teams each. Teams will play each team in their bracket once (3 games). The top two (2) teams in each bracket (8 total teams) after the round robin will advance to the quarter final, semi final and championship round. Teams finishing 3rd or 4th in their bracket will play a fourth and final game with a similar finisher in the other bracket.

U16's: 32 Total Teams. Two Divisions. The **U16 Tier 1 Division** (12 teams) will comprise of 2 brackets of 6 teams each. Three (3) teams will crossover and play 3 teams in their own bracket once (3 games). At the conclusion of round robin play, teams will be ranked one through six. The top four (4) teams in each bracket (8 total teams) after the round robin will advance to quarter final, semi final and championship round. Teams finishing 5th or 6th in their bracket will play a fourth and final game with a similar finisher in the other bracket. The **U16 Tier 2 Division** (20 teams) will comprise of 4 brackets of 5 teams each.



Teams will play each team in their bracket once (4 games). The top team in each bracket (4 total teams) after the round robin will advance to the semi final and championship round. Teams finishing 2nd, 3rd, 4th or 5th in their bracket will have finished the tournament.

U19's: 20 Total Teams. Two Divisions. The **U19 Tier 1 Division** (8 teams) will comprise of 2 brackets of 4 teams. Teams will play each team in their bracket once (3 games). The top two (2) teams after the round robin will advance to the to the semifinal and championship game. Teams finishing 3rd or 4th in their bracket will play a fourth and final game with a similar finisher in the other bracket. The **U19 Tier 2 Division** (12 teams) will comprise of 2 brackets of 6 teams each. Three (3) teams will crossover and play 3 teams in their own bracket once (3 games). At the conclusion of round robin play, teams will be ranked one through six. The top four (4) teams in each bracket (8 total teams) after the round robin will advance to quarter final, semi final and championship round. Teams finishing 5th or 6th in their bracket will play a fourth and final game with a similar finisher in the other bracket.

I want to become involved as a sponsor for this event. Who do I get in touch with?

Please contact Mike Embach at mike@200x85.com

More Information?

GIRL's Tournament Director at jpardoski@suburbanice.com or call Julie Pardoski 248-866-2399

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