



## **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

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

The Nashville AAA tournament will be conducted October 5-7, 2018. All teams must be ready to play their first game on Friday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 7:00 a.m. All championship games conclude by 3:30pm on Sunday, October 7<sup>th</sup>. Every team should arrange to be in on Thursday night October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

Every team will play 2 games on Friday and 2 games on Saturday. All semi-final and championship games (including 3<sup>rd</sup> place consolation games) are on Sunday, and are always over by no later than 5:00pm.

**Q What are the 2018-2019 Age Divisions?**

<b>AAA Peewee (2007 &amp; 2006)</b>	Youth ages 11 and 12
<b>AAA Bantam (2005 &amp; 2004)</b>	Youth ages 13 and 14
<b>AAA Midget 15U (2003) 16U (2002)</b>	Youth ages 15/16U

**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 \$1,750.00 per team. A \$150 discount is offered for teams paying in full by May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018 and for Clubs/Associations bringing multiple teams (3 or more). Canadian Team Entry Fee is \$1500.00 USD. Only one discount will be permitted (cannot combine both) off the full entry fee. A \$500 Deposit fee will be due for all teams applying to the CCM Nashville World Hockey Invite (\*subject to availability). Final balances will be due by August 1<sup>st</sup>, 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](mailto:laura@200x85.com) or Christina @ [christina@200x85.com](mailto: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 Nashville World Hockey Invite has received and what is still missing from each accepted team. Please note that **final team balances are due by August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018**. Any team not paid in full by this date will lose their spot.

### **Q What are the “AAA” qualifications/parameters and what do they mean?**

The 07, 06, 05, 04 and U15/U16 age levels will have one “AAA” Division

The CCM Nashville World Hockey Invite wants top end AAA teams at every age level. Your submission of the application and past season’s results will be evaluated. This division is open to any “validated” team that wants to compete at the highest and most competitive level.

The CCM Nashville 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... Our committee requests that each team send in game results from last season, including all exhibition games, tournament games and league games. We will also research past history for MYHockey Rankings and your League play.

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

### **Q How many teams will be playing?**

We will be only be accepting 32-36 total Teams in the CCM Nashville World Hockey Invite. We anticipate divisions of 6-8 teams per age level (07, 06, 05, 04 and 15/16 age levels).

### **Q Where do teams come from?**

We will get teams registering from all over the United States and Canada.

### **Q When will we know if we have been accepted?**



All competitive **AAA** teams that apply before May 25<sup>th</sup> will be guaranteed acceptance immediately. All other teams will be notified no later than Friday, July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018. \* **If total applications once again exceed the number of teams the tournament can accept (like last year) ~ 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 Nashville World Hockey Invite will be refunded their entire deposit by July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Any team **accepted** has a non-refundable deposit. If we have a team on the waiting list who can replace your team prior to July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018 then your deposit refund will be issued. **No refunds (deposits or full team entry fees)** will be issued after July 13<sup>th</sup>, 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 **June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018** and also posted on the web site under Accommodations. Any and all questions regarding Hotels must be directed to Laura @ [laura@200x85.com](mailto:laura@200x85.com) or Christina @ [christina@200x85.com](mailto:christina@200x85.com)

### **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](http://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 2 ice facilities and 4 sheets of ice for the CCM Nashville World Hockey Invite. We will likely rotate specific age levels and divisions around both ice facilities – the Ford Ice Center and the Centennial Sportsplex.

### **Q When is the tournament schedule released?**

The schedule for the 2018 CCM Nashville World Hockey Invite will be released on **September 14<sup>th</sup>, 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](http://www.ccmworldinvite.com) for updates. We will send emails as well. Please be sure we have your correct email addresses (coach & manager) on file 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 13<sup>th</sup>** we will make every attempt possible to help coordinate your games. 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 August** for submitting your team roster. Your team roster must be submitted on line by no later than **September 7<sup>th</sup>, 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, September 14<sup>th</sup>** 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 Peewee (07, 06) through Midget (U15 & U16 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 Squirts and Peewees - 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. We will have both a Checking and Non Checking Division at the 2005 and older age classifications.

**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 **September 7<sup>th</sup>**. 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](mailto:barbie@200x85.com) If you do not have an electronic version then you can fax the documents to 630-929-7538. Please be sure you bring your approved roster sheet and travel permit as back up to the tournament as well.

**Q What is the Tournament Sanction number?**



Sanction number is: **SE-TN-18/19-03**

**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 How many Games are Guaranteed and what are the Length of Game Times?**

All teams will be guaranteed 4 games and half of the tournament field will receive 5 games.

Game Time lengths will be as follows:

All age divisions will play three (3) x fifteen (15) minute stop time 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, October 5<sup>th</sup>. In addition, each team picks up there 200x85 CCM Team Credentials/Lanyards, Duffle Bag, Player Gifts, and additional tournament information prior to their first scheduled game.

**Q What other activities encompass the CCM Nashville World Hockey 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 there will be interactive exhibits, booths, games, displays and much more. We are pleased to announce that ON THE BENCH's OLLY & JACOB will be on site Friday, October 5<sup>th</sup> at both ice arenas. We would encourage all family members and friends to take part in this incredible 200 x 85 experience!

**Q Is there a Gate Fee for the tournament?**

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

**Q Can I check out the CCM Nashville 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 working with Live Barn to see if games can be streamed live for this year's event. Please stay tuned for more information which will be posted on our tournament Home Page.

**Q Will there be tournament merchandise?**

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

**Q Will there be a photographer for the tournament?**

Yes. Later this summer ~ Under **Tournament Contacts** you will see the Photographers contact information for each level.

**Q What is the 2018 Tournament Format? \* This is Tentative and may be adjusted after total registrations are complete.**

If it is a 4 Team Division: Each Division will comprise of 1 bracket of 4 teams each. Teams will play each team in their bracket once (3 games). All teams will be ranked 1-4 after the round robin and advance to the semi final and championship round. All 4 teams will be guaranteed 5 games.

If it is a 8 Team Division: Each Division will comprise of 2 brackets of 4 teams each. Teams will play each team in their bracket once (3 games). All teams in each division (8 total teams) after the round robin will advance to the quarter final, semi final and championship round. The top 4 teams reaching the semi finals will all be guaranteed 5 games.

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

Please contact Jeff Holbrook @ [jeff@200x85.com](mailto:jeff@200x85.com)

**More Information?**

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