

# **LUVERNE HOCKEY ASSOCIATION TOURNAMENT RULES Mite/Mini-Mite**

1. Only USA Hockey registered referees will be used.
2. All games will be played under USA Hockey rules as modified by MN Hockey. A copy of the MN Hockey handbook will be available at the score table.
3. Canadian teams must wear protective equipment as designated by CAHA.
4. All teams from outside of Minnesota will be informed of the MAHA age cutoffs and given the opportunity to withdraw from the tournament if they do not consent to play given the possible age disparities.
5. The Tournament Director shall check each team's credentials consisting of proof of USA Hockey registration and insurance, and USA Hockey roster signed by all participants and approved by a USA Hockey Registrar approximately 45 minutes before the team's first game.
6. Only 4 coaches listed on the official USA hockey roster will be allowed on the bench for games. Coaches shall have their coaching cards on them when on the bench.
7. All games will run cross ice with 2 games going on at once, 2 – 20 minute run time periods will be played with stop time every 2 minutes for line changes. There will be a 2 minute breaks between periods.
8. Resurfacing of ice will be done as needed.
9. All decisions of the referees will be final, no protests will be allowed.
10. All players must wear approved helmets, facemasks and mouth guards. No persons other than rostered coaches or players are allowed on the player bench. Any player not suited for the game must wear an approved helmet while on the player bench.
11. Unsportsmanlike conduct will not be tolerated. Any player, coach, or fan exhibiting unsportsmanlike behavior may be ejected from the game or the tournament by the officials, the Tournament Director, or any member of the LHA Board of Directors. In all other matters not covered above, the Tournament Director decision will be final.
12. A game ejection will automatically be assessed when a player receives their third penalty during a single game. The player will be removed only from the game being played. The referees and coaches are responsible for enforcing this rule.
13. MN Hockey and USA Hockey COVID Regulations will be followed.