



# 43rd Annual "B" Friendship Tournament

Saginaw Bay Ice Arena 6129 Bay Rd Saginaw, MI 48604 (989) 799-8950 www.saginawbayicearena.com

## Division, Cost & Dates

10u Squirt B:	\$795	January 23-25, 2026	
12u Pee Wee B:	\$795	January 16-18, 2026	*Possible Thursday Game Local Teams
14u Bantam B:	\$895	January 16-18, 2026	*Possible Thursday Game Local Teams

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## General Info

**FOUR Game Guarantee** (possible 5 games) – Possible Friday morning games due to this 4 game guarantee format. Team awards for Champion and Runner-up, Individual awards to Champion and Runner-up  
To Enter, submit full payment and a copy of the USA Hockey roster with the application.  
A schedule will follow depending on the number of teams per division and when the respective divisions are finalized.

## Format

Squirt/PW: All games 10 minute periods. Bantam: All games 12 minute periods.  
12 Teams: 3 Pools of 4, 3 Game Round Robin, Winner of 3 Pools & wild card play for semis. Consolation 5<sup>v</sup>6, 7<sup>v</sup>8, etc  
8 Teams: 2 Pools of 4, 3 Games Round Robin, Top two from each pool play in semis. Consolation 3<sup>rd</sup> v 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> v 4<sup>th</sup>  
6 Teams: 1 Pool of 6 Teams, Each team plays 3 Games, Top Four teams advance to semi-finals. Consolation 5<sup>th</sup> v 6<sup>th</sup>  
5 Teams: 1 Pool of 5 Teams, Round Robin (4 games), Championship for 1<sup>st</sup> vs 2<sup>nd</sup>.  
No Overtime in Round Robin Play. Semis & Finals have sudden death 3v3 until a winner

## Hotel Accommodations

These are the hotels that support our tournament. Please use this link to book your hotel. There are plenty of options and price points to choose from... <https://gogreat-attend.idss.com/2026-friendship-tournaments>

## Rules (on back)

TEAM NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DIVISION: \_\_\_\_\_

ASSOCIATION: \_\_\_\_\_

COACH: \_\_\_\_\_ MANAGER: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

JERSEY COLORS: (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Away) \_\_\_\_\_

Send application with payment and USA Hockey Roster to: Saginaw Bay Ice Arena "Friendship Tournament", 6129 Bay Rd Saginaw, MI 48604. Make Checks payable to GSAHA or Saginaw Bay Ice Arena. All rosters are frozen as of December 31, 2024.



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## Rules

1. There is an equipment drop off area in the hallway adjacent to Locker Room #8. Please do not leave any equipment in the lobby area or main hallways. Locker Room keys can be picked up 40 minutes prior to the expected game time in exchange for your set of car keys. Please make sure you lock your locker room, including the interior door to the bathrooms.
2. Coaches will need to provide stickers for the score sheets (or write in the player's names/numbers on it). All score sheets must be signed before the start of the game by all team officials that will be on the bench.
3. Any problems must be presented by the **HEAD COACH** to a representative of the tournament committee.
4. Teams must turn in and carry approved, stamped copies of their USA Hockey Roster or Hockey Canada Roster with Travel Permit.
5. All USAH & MAHA rules apply except as noted.
6. Each team must supply a minor official for their respective penalty box.
7. No time outs are permitted during any round-robin games. Clock management will be in complete control of the referees. Teams are allowed 1- 30 second timeout in the Semi-Final and Championship games.
8. **Please have your team ready for play 15 minutes before your scheduled game time.** Due to the number of games required in tournament play, all game times listed are approximate and, if applicable, games may start before the posted game time.
9. For safety reasons, keep your players in the locker room until they are buzzed by the ICE RESURFACER driver to enter the ice.
10. **Mercy Rule:** If 5 or more goals separate the teams at any time during the third period, running time will commence at that time, including penalties. If the score comes within 2 goals, stop time will resume.
11. The maximum goal differential allowed per game will be 7. The FINAL SCORE will be adjusted to reflect that.
12. **No Refunds** will be made after your acceptance to the tournament.
13. Protest Fee is \$50 cash and must be submitted in writing by the head coach. Referee on-ice decisions are not eligible for protest.
14. **Semi-Finals Seeding:** Once a tiebreaker seeds a team or teams, any teams remaining tied start back at the top.
  1. Total Points (2 points for a win, 1 point for a tie, 0 points for a loss)
  2. Head to Head (does not apply to 3 way tie)
  3. Goals For – Goals Against (Only using games between the TIED opponents) (Max goal differential per game is 7)
  4. Lowest Goals Against total (Only using games between the TIED opponents)
  5. Goals For – Goals Against (All Games) (Max goal differential per game is 7)
  6. Lowest Goals Against total (All Games)
  7. Highest Goal Differential Quotient (Goals For divided by Goals Against)
  8. Highest Goal total (Only using games between the TIED opponents)
  9. Highest Goal total (All Games)
  10. First goal scored in game between two tied teams.
16. No Overtime in Round Robin Play. Semis and Championship have sudden death 3v3 until a winner is determined.