

2025 Kingston Police Hockey Classic Rules

1. Jersey Color

- The **HOME** team has jersey color preference.

2. Game Format

- Games consist of **three 16-minute run-time periods**.
- The **last 2 minutes of the third period** will be **stop time** if the score is within **2 goals**.
- **Penalties** are **2 minutes (run time)**.

3. Gameplay

- **Slap shots are allowed**.
- **Body checking is not allowed**.

4. Timeouts

- Each team is allowed **one (1) timeout per game**.

5. Icing

- Icing will be called from **behind the defending team's blue line**.
- Icing results in an **automatic whistle** (no-touch icing).

6. Roster Requirements

- Teams must **submit a complete roster** through the tournament website **prior to the start** of the tournament.
- Rosters must include **each player's name and jersey number**.
- To be **eligible for a Championship Game**, players must have participated in **at least two (2) games** during the tournament.
- Use of **ineligible players** will result in **forfeit** of that game.

7. Conduct & Discipline

- **Fighting** may result in **immediate expulsion** from the tournament, pending review by the Tournament Director and on-ice officials.
- Any player involved in **more than one fight** during the tournament is **automatically ejected** from the tournament.
- **Abuse of referees or scorekeepers** will result in **immediate expulsion**.
- Players receiving **3 penalties in a single game** will be **ejected** from that game.

8. Major Penalties

- All **major penalties** will be reviewed by tournament officials and may result in **expulsion**.

9. Final Authority

- All **decisions** made by the **Tournament Director** are **final and not negotiable**.

10. Divisional Breakdown

- The 2025 tournament will feature **8 Divisions**: A, B, C1, C2, C3, D1, D2, D3.
- The **top 4 teams** from each Division will advance to **Sunday playoff rounds**.
 - #1 Seed vs #4 Seed
 - #2 Seed vs #3 Seed

11. Standings & Tiebreakers

- Point System:
 - **3 points** for a regulation win
 - **2 points** for an overtime win
 - **1 point** for a tie
 - **0 points** for a loss
- Tie-breakers (in order):
 1. Head-to-head result
 2. Goals against
 3. Goal differential (GF – GA)
 4. Coin flip

12. Round Robin Games

- Round Robin games **may end in a tie – no overtime.**

13. Sunday Playoff Overtime Protocol

- If tied after regulation:
 - One **10-minute sudden death OT** (3-on-3 format; teams switch ends).
 - If still tied, a **3-player shootout** will follow:
 - **Home team decides who shoots first.**
 - **Entire roster must be used** before reusing any players.
 - If one team has fewer players, once the smaller roster is exhausted, both teams may reuse shooters.

14. Waivers & Liability

- All participants must:
 - **Review the tournament rules.**
 - **Sign a waiver** before playing.
- Players who have **not signed a waiver** will make their team **ineligible**, resulting in **forfeiture** of any game they participate in.
- Participation indicates a waiver of liability against:
 - The Lovell Ice Arena
 - The Town of Kingston
 - Kingston Police Department
 - FOP Lodge #64
 - The Tournament Director and event organizers

15. Captain's Responsibility

- **Team captains** are responsible for ensuring that **all players understand and comply** with the tournament rules.