



## 2026 Bonnie Vonder Haar Tournament Rules

Rules will apply unless noted otherwise below:

1. Game length, clock, overtime and tie-breakers.
  - a) Games will consist of three (12) minute periods for Squirt level, three (13) minute periods for Pee Wee level, three (14) minute periods for Bantam level, and three (15) minute periods for Midgets.
  - b) All games are STOP TIME unless the goal differential is 5 or greater anytime after the first period. If goal differential drops below five, stop time will recommence.
  - c) Time between periods is one minute.
  - d) Three-minute warm-up starts as soon as the Zamboni door is closed.
  - e) No Overtime will be played except for championship games. For these games, the overtime format is:
    1. One (5) minute sudden death format (3 on 3, plus goalies)
    2. Shootout (3 players/team – each player may only shoot once) – most goals wins
    3. If shootout ends in tie, sudden death shootout until winner is decided (each team must continue through their roster until all players have taken a shot. If the shoot-out is not decided, players will continue to shoot in the same order as their first shots.)
  - f) Tie breakers will be:
    - (1) Head to head win
    - (2) Most wins
    - (3) Goal Quotient (tournament total)
    - (4) Least penalty minutes (tournament total)
    - (5) Coin flip called by the designated captains of the teams.
2. There is a three (3) game guarantee.
3. Points earned are based on “game” points (Maximum 2 points/game).  
2 points for a win, 1 point for a tie, 0 points for a loss.

4. Team rosters cannot exceed twenty (20) players. No more than 18 skaters and two goalies.
5. Teams must be ready to play 15 minutes before the scheduled game time.
6. Only rostered team players and up to four (4) team officials are permitted on the bench.
7. Major Penalty:  
Any major penalty in competition will result in automatic suspension for the remainder of that game, and the following game. Players penalized are determined by the referee.
8. Any player or coach suspended for receiving a game misconduct or a match penalty will not be permitted on the bench, nor to tend the penalty box during the time of their suspension.
9. Profane language is not permitted or tolerated from players, parents or team officials. Use of profanity can result in ejection from the arena and the tournament.
10. A team representative (over 18 years of age) must tend the penalty box.
11. NO protests are allowed for any reason.
12. Uniform colors:
  - Home team = light / white
  - Away team = dark / black
  - Teams are required to bring both home and away jerseys.
13. Neck guards are required for all players.
14. Team Divisions and formats:
  - a) Four team divisions will play as follows:  
Each Team will play the other (3) Teams in the Division. The (2) teams with the most points will advance to play in the Championship.
  - b) Six team divisions will play as follows:  
Each Team will play 2 other Teams within the Division and one game against an opponent in the other division. The top team in each division with the most points will advance to play in the Championship.
15. Zero tolerance rules are in effect for the tournament. We ask that all players, coaches and fans be aware that sportsmanship is the primary goal of the tournament and any violation will not be tolerated.
16. All disputes regarding rules are directed to the Tournament Director. Tournament directors' decisions are final.