



## Kitchener Minor Hockey Association

# Oktoberfest International Atom Tournament

## October 24–27, 2013

It is the prime objective of the Oktoberfest International Atom Tournament Committee, Sponsors, and Volunteers to provide an exciting, fun filled and competitive Atom Tournament for participants, teams and fans.

Kitchener Minor Hockey Association firmly believes that all players, coaches and team officials have the right to participate and compete in a tournament free of harassment. Therefore the tournament operating committee will not tolerate any harassing or abuse behavior directed at any individual participating in this tournament.

It is the responsibility of each Coach and Coaching Staff to ensure that all members of the team behave in a respectful sportsman like manner at all times. Parents and fans will also be held to a high standard and required to act in a sportsman like, respectful manner during the tournament.

We thank all participants for taking part in the Oktoberfest International Atom Tournament in this our 40th year. May you all leave this tournament weekend with great memories filled with lots of new and lasting friendships.

### General rules and Information

This Tournament is for Atom aged 2003 players born after December 31, 2002.

The ice resurfacing will take place before the start of each game.

The tournament will consist of the following Boys Divisions: AAA, AA, A, Minor Development, and (2) Girls Divisions of A and B.

The Boys Divisions will consist A minimum of (8) eight teams and a maximum of (20) twenty teams.

The Girls Divisions will consist of a minimum of (4) be divided into (2) two groups of (4) four teams and a maximum of (8) eight teams.

### TIE BREAKING FORMULA:

In the event two or more teams are tied in points, for (1st) first place in a Division, or Wild card position at the conclusion of preliminary round play, the following tie breaking formula will be instituted:

The HEAD TO HEAD RESULT of the two teams tied (two way ties only).

The best, "Goals for/GOALS SCORED FOR + GOALS SCORED AGAINST" ratio in preliminary round games.

The team with the LEAST AMOUNT OF GOALS AGAINST in preliminary round play.

Team with the MOST GOALS SCORED in preliminary round play.

Team who scored the FIRST GOAL, in the Head to Head game.

Team with the LOWEST NUMBER of penalty minutes.

FINALLY IF STILL TIED ... A COIN TOSS BY THE TOURNAMENT CHAIRPERSON.

### SEMI-FINAL AND CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND REMATCHES:

If, a scheduled semi-final game is between two teams who played against each other in preliminary round play, the Tournament Committee

WILL change opponents in an effort to ensure teams do not meet twice before Championship games.

The lower ranked team will be moved down one (1) position unless; it is the last team in the standings in which case the team will move up one (1) position.

If the issue is not resolved with two (2) teams playing twice against each other in the semi-final round, the RULES Committee reserves the right to place the teams as they see fit to prevent this from occurring.

Division winners and any Wild card teams, where applicable will advance to the Play-off round where one (1) team in each game will be eliminated.

All teams are guaranteed four (4) games.

All teams must be prepared to start their games up to (15) minutes prior to the scheduled start time.

The maximum amount of games played in the tournament will be six (6) games.

Two (2) points will be awarded for each WIN and one (1) point for each tie in the preliminary round.

All Tournament games will be three (3) periods of hockey with all periods consisting of 12 minutes (12-12-12).

There will be a two (2) minute Rest Period between the second and third period.

There will be no overtime played in the preliminary round. Overtime will be played, if necessary, in all Play-off round games.

All Playoff round overtime games will be Sudden Victory.

### OVERTIME FORMAT:

Semi-final and Championship games will consist of one (1) ten (10) minute period of four on four (4 on 4) Sudden Victory play.

Teams may substitute players freely during the overtime period.

IF THE GAME IS NOT DECIDED AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE TEN (10) MINUTE OVERTIME PERIOD:

A THREE (3) PLAYER NHL STYLE SHOOT- OUT, WILL TAKE PLACE.

THE team that scores the MOST goals during the shoot-out will advance.

IF THE TEAMS ARE STILL TIED AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE FIRST SHOOT OUT ROUND:

A SUDDEN VICTORY SHOOT-OUT, WILL TAKE PLACE. UNTIL ONE TEAM HAS SCORED ONE (1) MORE GOAL THAN THE OTHER TEAM.

A PLAYER MAY NOT SHOOT A SECOND TIME UNTIL ALL PLAYERS ON EACH TEAM, EXCLUDING GOALIES, HAVE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO SHOOT.

A complete game schedule will be forwarded approximately two (2) weeks prior to the start of the first game of the tournament.

The game schedule will also be posted on the website @ [www.kitchenerminorhockey.com](http://www.kitchenerminorhockey.com)

Tournament games will commence on Friday October 25, 2013.

All teams will play two (2) games on Friday October 25; two (2) games



on Saturday October 26.

Semi-final and Championship games will be played on Sunday October 27.

Hockey Canada and Alliance Hockey Official Rules will be in effect for all tournament games. All coaches and team staff are encouraged to review Hockey Canada and Alliance Hockey Official Rules prior to the start of the Tournament.

Each participating team must be an official affiliated, registered with Hockey Canada or USA Hockey.

All teams must provide Tournament officials at the time of registration a Travel permit, and official Team Roster and their approved Affiliate player lists prior to playing your first game of the tournament.

All team Coaches and Managers must sign the game sheets before each game.

Each team must provide a contact person with a cell phone number that Tournament officials can contact if required during the tournament.

The tournament office at each of our facilities will post Dressing Room assignments on the Board in the office.

Team managers must obtain dressing room keys from the Tournament office leaving vehicle keys as a deposit. Dressing room keys must be returned to the tournament office within thirty minutes following the end of the game. Dressing rooms must be free of any refuse by placing it in the containers provided.

Teams will be responsible for any damages or littering to Dressing Rooms and any other Arena facilities.

Please report any damage to officials in the Tournament office.

Teams are not allowed on the ice surface until the "Zamboni" doors are closed, a coach and an on ice official must also be present before player enter the ice surface. There will be No Exceptions.

Teams must have two sets of game Jerseys. The team listed as Home team will wear Dark colored jerseys. Teams listed as Away or Visitor will wear Light colored jerseys. In the event of a color conflict or dispute the Tournament official present reserves the right to make the final decision.

As a Hockey Canada and Alliance Hockey sanctioned event, body checking is strictly prohibited in all ATOM Division play. All participants must wear BNQ approved throat/neck protectors. Mouth/tooth guards are strongly recommended and they must be worn properly at all times.

Any contact to the head, face, throat and neck is strictly prohibited.

Stick infractions will be strictly enforced. Hockey Canada Rules will be the tournament standard. Referee decisions in matters of judgement are final. Shared RESPECT is paramount.

Spectators are "NOT PERMITTED" to enter the CHANGE AREAS or DRESSING ROOMS at any time. It is the duty of Team Managers to respect and enforce this rule at all times.

## GAME OFFICIALS:

All games will be officiated by registered HOCKEY CANADA, OHF and ALLIANCE HOCKEY officials.

Referees shall judge all goals from the ice surface.

All Tournament games including the semi's and finals will be officiated by a two (2) man officiating crew.

## ARENAS:

All teams will play at one or all arenas listed.

The Activa Sport Complex

Don McLaren Arena

Grand River Arena

Kitchener Memorial Auditorium Complex.

Sports World Crossing Twin Pads.

## Please Note:

There will be NO TIME OUTS PERMITTED in this Tournament.

There will be NO OVERTIME played during Preliminary Round games.

If the teams are tied after regulation time in preliminary round games, the game will end a tie.

One point for the tie will be awarded to each team toward the Tournament standings.

Game times will commence with a (3) Three minute warm-up, beginning when the "Zamboni" doors close and a coach is present.

The timekeeper shall signal the end of the warm-up and commencement of the first period of play by sounding the buzzer.

Teams who are not ready to participate in a warm-up period will forfeit their warm-up period.

Players in uniform and a maximum of five (5) team officials will be permitted on the Players bench area during game play.

**For a complete list of tournament rules please visit the tournament website @**  
**[www.kitchenerminorhockey.com](http://www.kitchenerminorhockey.com)**