



**NET FEST HOCKEY COMPETITION RULES**  
**Mites Division**

Mites division is jamboree format. Games will be officiated by the coaches of the playing teams. USA Hockey official rules of play will govern all games except where noted below. Items not covered will be at the discretion of the ice hockey committee to resolve in the best interest of the event.

- Team Size:** ½ cross ice games will be 4 on 4 with a goalie. Teams will be a minimum of 5 players with a maximum of 9 players.
- Officials:** Coaches of the teams playing will monitor the game. All coaches must be on the ice with skates and a helmet
- Play Time:** Three 10 minute continuous clock periods with line changes signaled every 60 seconds.  
All games will start at the same time so one clock will be used to manage the length of the game.  
A horn will sound to signal the line changes that will be made on the fly, players entering the play will retreat to their goal, the team in possession of the puck will start the play from the vicinity of their net.  
No stoppage of play after a goal, the scoring team must retreat to the vicinity of their net and cannot pressure until the attacking team reaches mid ice.  
There are no icing or off-side rules.
- Penalties:** If the referee feels a penalty was a deliberate act, the penalized player may be required to sit out 3 minutes or in the case of a reckless act, removed from the game and potentially the next game if the penalty is incurred in the last 2 minutes
- Arrival Time:** All teams should be at the rink 30 minutes before game time. Teams will be expected to take the ice as soon as the resurfacing is completed, even if ahead of schedule.
- Jerseys:** If two (2) opposing teams have similar uniform colors, one team will be required to wear different colored jerseys. Teams should bring a light and dark jersey option.
- Warm Up Time:** Two (2) minutes
- Equipment:** Follow USA Hockey Rules for helmet, facemask, and mouthpiece
- Sportsmanship:** This is to be expected by coaches, players and, most importantly, by the teams' fans!
- Identification:** As with all tournaments, coaches should have copies of birth certificates ready and available prior to the first game check-in. Each coach must present his/her coaching card prior to each game.

*The staff from the Iowa Sports Foundation and Wells Fargo Arena have the authority to remove any and all coaches, players and fans who become unruly, exhibit unsportsmanlike behavior, threaten to fight or actually engage in fighting. The person(s) will be removed from the premise, will not be allowed to reenter, and will forfeit any medals won.*