



**JC  
PARKS**

# **Youth Hockey**



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**Read this entire packet before registering.**

## **ELIGIBILITY**

1. *The addition of a player(s) after the program start date may be done several ways:*
  - a. *in person meeting with the hockey director at the Washington Park Ice Arena;*
  - b. *by email to [cbrown@jeffersoncitymo.gov](mailto:cbrown@jeffersoncitymo.gov);*
  - c. *by calling 573-634-6547.*

## **HOCKEY RULES AND REGULATIONS**

This program is designed to provide a quality experience for the participants by providing an opportunity to enjoy physical activity while deriving the many positive benefits of sport. It is not meant to be, and will not become, an intensely competitive program in which participants place the importance of winning ahead of sportsmanship and fun.

## **PLAYER/TEAM CONDUCT**

1. All players and teams are expected to conduct themselves in a good sportsmanlike manner. All games will be played according to the official rules of the USA Hockey Rule Book except as noted herein. You can go to your phones app store and download a copy.
2. Undue harassment of the official(s) or scorekeeper before, during, or after the game may result in the ejection of the individual(s) involved. Any player, coach, or fan who is ejected from a game and reported to the Manager on duty by a Sports official or department representative will be suspended from attendance / participation in their team's next game. Official(s) reserve the right to run the clock to keep the game on time if a player refuses to leave the ice when ejected. **Official(s) reserve the right to end a game for verbal abuse or threats to their safety. If an official is threatened, law enforcement will be notified.**
3. After an ejection, the individual(s) ejected must immediately leave the ice arena. Failure to do so or continued harassment of the official may lead to a second ejection, removal from the program, and forfeiture of the game by that player's team. **REMOVAL FROM THE PROGRAM:** Any player, parent or coach who strikes, attempts to strike, or verbally threatens an official; who fights with another player; or who is ejected for unsportsmanlike behavior for the second time within one season is suspended from any and all teams on which that individual plays. This suspension is for one calendar year and includes all teams and in all sports on which that person plays.
4. Any team or individual who intentionally damages park property will be billed for the full replacement cost of said property and will be suspended from all JC Parks programs until such restitution is made.
5. Any team or individual who fails to heed the request of on-site JC Parks personnel regarding program operation or facility care will be suspended from all Parks and Recreation programs until he/she/they submits a written account of the incident and is reinstated by the Director or Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation.

JC Parks reserves the right to lengthen any suspension for any length of time.

## **SMOKING/ALCOHOL**

1. Smoking or use of any type of e-cigarette/vape is not permitted in the facility.
2. Alcohol is not permitted on the ice or on the player benches. **Glass bottles are prohibited everywhere in the park and in the arena.** Players or coaches refusing to heed this rule are liable for ejection.
3. Fans and players under the influence of alcohol will be asked to leave the premises. Failure to do so will result in the forfeiture of the game and removal of the individual from the program.

## **UNIFORMS**

Please wear the appropriate color of your team. You may purchase a WPIA Adult Hockey League Jersey from the Pro-Shop. If you make and wear your own jerseys you will need approval from the Hockey Director.

1. Exposed jewelry such as wrist watches, bracelets, all types of earrings and neck chains, or any other item judged dangerous by the games official(s) may not be worn during the game. Medical alert bracelets/necklaces are not considered jewelry but must be taped to the body if worn. Penalty for refusal can be ejection.

## **GAME PROCEDURES**

1. The Coach will be the only person who is allowed to engage in the questioning of a call from an official(s). **This must be done in a civil manner.**
2. Each team must have at least **SIX** players ready to play at game time. Failure to do so will result in a forfeit.
3. Players are not allowed on the ice until the officials enter and signal to the players to take the ice.
4. There will be a 3-minute warm up before the game. The warm up clock will when the officials let players on the ice. The game will consist of 3 periods. The first 2 periods will be running clock and the 3<sup>rd</sup> period will be stop clock.
5. Official(s) and or the scorekeeper reserve the right to run the clock to keep the game on time.
6. Mercy Rule: After a 6-point differential has occurred the scorekeeper will no longer register points to the winning team. They will however be registered on the official score sheet.
7. In the event of a 6-goal differential in the 3<sup>rd</sup> period the clock will be switched to run time. If at any time during the 3<sup>rd</sup> period, the differential drops below a 6-goal differential, the clock returns to regular stop time.
8. Games which are tied at the end of the 3<sup>rd</sup> period will be settled by a best of 3 shootout. No extra point will be awarded for a shoot-out victory.
9. When any program participant is bleeding, has blood on his/her person or clothing, or has an open wound, he/she must leave the activity for appropriate treatment including bandaging as necessary to prevent recurrence. The rink has a first aid kit at the front counter. In the adult hockey league, if medical care or treatment can be administered at the rink, the individual will not have to leave the game.
10. Minor Penalties will be for 1:30, Major Penalties for 4:00 (This time will coincide with the game clock. All penalties will be in accordance the USA Hockey Official Rules.  
<https://www.usahockey.com/rulesandresources>
11. There are no Time Outs in this league.

## **RESCHEDULING**

Games may be canceled due to inclement weather or other circumstances beyond our control. If there is ice time available, the canceled game will be rescheduled at a later date. If we are unable to reschedule the game, a credit will be applied to your account for the prorated amount.

