




## Blue Line Hockey Tournaments – Official Roster Rules



 **The deadline to submit rosters is 11:59pm on the Wednesday immediately prior to the event. NO additions of players or goaltenders will be permitted after the deadline. Coaches can be added after the deadline.**

 Double-rostering of players or goaltenders is NOT permitted for any reason. We do have a provision for emergency goaltenders. If a team is without any healthy goalies able to play in the tournament, an emergency substitute may be permitted from another team from the same division or below. For the purposes of this emergency goalie exception, all levels of 'A' are considered to be the same level.

 Each team is required to have a USA Hockey roster (1-T) signed by their local registrar. Canadian teams must submit a roster signed by their local affiliate. Teams using a Tournament Roster must submit a copy of all signed regular (league) rosters showing the original team of each Tournament Roster player and coach.

 Teams planning on using a **Tournament Roster** MUST notify the Tournament Director immediately upon registration for the tournament of their intention to play with a Tournament Roster. The use of a Tournament Roster MUST be approved by the Tournament Director upon submission of your registration. The Tournament Roster, upon being approved for use in the tournament, MUST be submitted to the Tournament Director 10 days prior to the first day of the tournament. Any team playing with a Tournament Roster cannot ADD players to that Tournament Roster after 10 days prior to the first day of the tournament. All Tournament Rosters are subject to the Player Eligibility Rules listed below. PLEASE READ THEM ALL IF YOU INTEND ON APPLYING WITH A TOURNAMENT ROSTER.

 **TOURNAMENT ROSTER** Player Eligibility (based on a player's registration status as of the Friday of the start of the tournament and apply only to Tournament Rosters):

**NOTE:** Rules (i) through (iv) apply only to players who are registered on a USA Hockey roster in the youngest age division that player is eligible for.

**NOTE 2:** For SFHL teams pertaining to (iv) below, the player cannot participate at a lower level than the team that the player is registered for in the SFHL. (e.g. A1 players cannot play in 'Lower A' division).

- i. No more than 3 players may be added to a team's regular league USA Hockey approved 1-T roster.
- ii. Any player registered on a Tier I 'AAA' team (outside of Florida) can only play up an age division at the 'AA' level. 18U players registered on a Tier I 'AAA' team outside of Florida or a Junior level team are NOT eligible to participate.
- iii. Any player registered on a Tier II 'AA' team can play in their own age division at the 'AA' level only OR can play up an age division at the 'A', 'Upper A' or 'AA' level. They cannot play up an age level in the 'Lower A' division.
- iv. Any player registered on a Tier II 'A' team can play in their own age AND level division at the 'A' or 'AA' level OR can play up an age division at the 'Select' (if offered), 'A' or 'AA' level.
- v. The 'Select' division (if offered) is open only to players NOT registered on a travel team roster in their own age division, subject to all other eligibility requirements, or to players that are "playing up" an age division and registered on a Tier II 'A' or 'Select' team in their age division.
- vi. Any player registered on a team that is above their birth year age division ("playing up") can play down in their birth year age division provided they are moving up one level.
  - Example 1, a 12U aged player registered on a 14U 'A' roster can play 14U 'A' or 'AA', or 12U 'AA', but cannot play 12U 'A'.
  - Example 2, a 12U aged player registered on a 14U 'AA' roster can ONLY play in 14U 'AA'.
- vii. Any player registered on a Tier I 'AAA' team (outside of Florida) in an age division above what he/she is eligible for ("playing up"), is NOT eligible to play in this tournament. For example, a 10U aged player registered on a 12U Tier 1 'AAA' team (outside of Florida) is NOT eligible.
- viii. For safety reasons, NO player is permitted to play 2 age divisions above their birth age division.
- ix. Any player currently registered on a Junior League roster (including, but not limited to USPHL, Empire, etc.) is NOT eligible for the tournament.
- x. 12U aged players are not permitted to play above their age division.

**\*\*The following applies to Florida Alliance players ONLY:** Any player that is on any Florida Alliance Tier I Tournament Team roster may ONLY participate in the tournament on the SFHL Tier II roster that they are registered on. They may NOT participate on a Tournament Roster or an Independent team roster unless, as determined by the Tournament Director, the "Roster" is comprised primarily of players that are on the same SFHL Tier II roster of the team that the Alliance player is registered on. Florida Alliance players may play up a division at the 'AA' level only on a Tournament Roster with Tournament Director approval only. Florida Alliance players on Full Season teams are NOT permitted to play in a BLHT Tier II Division.

Blue Line Hockey Tournaments reserves the right to make adjustments or changes to these rules when necessary.

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