



**Ugly Sweater Shootout - 2025**

**Tournament Rules**

**Dates: 12/19/25 – 12/21/25**

1. Except as altered by Tournament Rules and format, USAH 2025-2029 and CAHA rules will govern hockey play. USA Hockey officials will officiate all games.
2. USAH Zero Tolerance Policy will be enforced for all players, coaches, officials, and spectators.
3. The tournament will accept a minimum of 4 teams per age group. Limit one team per organization per age group.
  - 10U B
  - 12U B
4. Teams may only play if their USA Hockey registered level is B. Girls-only teams with a registration level of A will be permitted. An official, registrar-signed USA Hockey roster must be submitted to the tournament directors ([corampagetournament@gmail.com](mailto:corampagetournament@gmail.com)) at least two weeks prior to the tournament that verifies the official level of the team. The USA Hockey registration is the only means of determining tournament division placement. The level of play or performance in league play will have no bearing on tournament placement or schedule.
5. Once a team has been accepted into the tournament, payment is required within 48 hours of acceptance. **All tournament fees are non-refundable once a team has been accepted, regardless of forfeit, withdrawal, cancellation, or inability to participate for any reason.** By submitting payment, the team acknowledges and agrees to this no-refund policy in its entirety.
6. All teams will be required to purchase and wear Ugly Sweater jerseys. This fee is included in the tournament registration.

Tournament Entry Fee: \$1,800  
Team Jersey Fee: \$1,200  
Total Registration: \$3,000

7. In accordance with USA Hockey (USAH) safety requirements, **all players are required to wear protective neck guards at all times while on the ice, including during warm-ups, practices, and games.** Any player found not wearing a protective neck guard will be immediately removed from the ice and will not be permitted to return until compliant.

By participating in the tournament, all players, coaches, and team representatives acknowledge and accept full responsibility for compliance with this safety requirement.

8. Game guarantee: 4 game minimum.

9. Game format:

- A. Two (2) 18-minute stop clock periods, and a curfew of 60 minutes. Ice resurfacing between games only.
- B. There will be a three minute warm-up period before each game.
- C. If the goal differential is 5 goals or more with 9 minutes remaining in the second period, the clock will switch to run time. The time clock will be stopped in the event of injuries. If the goal differential drops to less than 5, the clock will return to stop-time.

10. Championship and Consolation games will not end in a tie.

a. If a championship or consolation game is tied at the end of regulation time, a 5-minute (stop time) 5-on-5 sudden-death overtime period will be played. b. If the game remains tied after the overtime period, a shoot-out will decide the outcome. For the shootout, each team will select five shooters and a goaltender from their roster. Shooters will alternate taking penalty shots at the opponent's goaltender. The team with the most goals after five shots will be declared the winner. If still tied, the shootout will continue using an additional skater from each team until a winner is established. Teams must use all of the skaters on their roster before any of the previously chosen skaters are eligible to shoot again. Each team will take the same number of shots.

11. Minor penalties:

- a. Both divisions will serve 1 minute for a minor penalty and 5 minutes for major penalties.

12. Time outs: No time outs will be allowed in the round robin games. One time out per

team will be allowed in the championship and consolation games.

13. Teams should plan travel around the dates of the tournament with games starting at 2:15 PM the first day of the tournament. The last game will conclude by 3:00 PM on the last day of the tournament.
14. Coach or Team Manager must check in 1 hour prior to their first scheduled game with a copy of their USA hockey roster.
15. Teams will be required to provide an attendant to occupy the penalty box. Tournament host will provide scoring, clock, and music.
16. All teams are required to provide their own warm-up pucks for all games.
17. Games will start early if ice is available. Teams should be dressed and ready to be on the ice fifteen minutes prior to the scheduled start time. If a team is not prepared to play the game 15 minutes prior to the scheduled start time of the game and/or refuses to play a scheduled tournament game, the team forfeits the game.
18. Forfeits – According to CAHA's Policies and Procedures, any team that enters the tournament and fails to appear on time for a scheduled game (forfeits the game) or any team who fails to provide a valid roster (signed and sealed by their appropriate USA Hockey Registrar) to the Tournament Director prior to the first game of the tournament will be subject to: 1) forfeit all tournament games as determined by the tournament director; 2) pay for all expenses, including but not limited to referee fees and ice costs for each forfeited game; 3) denied entry in any Colorado Tournament for the remainder of the season and any approved travel permits will be rescinded. Additionally, if a team forfeits any of its games, and becomes involved in any tie-breaking formula to determine its eligibility to advance to the next level of play, the team forfeits all games in the round robin play and the games are recorded as 1-0 victories for the non-offending team.
19. All scores will be posted to GameSheet within 24 hours of the end of the game.
20. Points will be awarded as follows: 2 points for a win, 0 points for a loss, 1 point for a tie.
21. Ties which exist at the conclusion of a round robin will be broken using the following criteria (in order until the tie is broken).
  - a. Head to head game, if all teams in pool played each other

- b. Goal differential: Subtracting goals-against from goals-scored, all games considered, the team with best +/- rating being ranked highest. The maximum goal differential per game is +5. Head-to-head results will not factor back in; all teams will be ranked and seed based on the tie-breaker.
- c. Fewest goals against
- d. Fewest penalty minutes
- e. Coin toss

Note: A team may go into the tie breaking process having defeated another of the tied teams and still not advance.

- 22. All teams, players, and coaches must be registered with USA Hockey. A credentials check will occur prior to the start of the tournament for each team. Team managers should provide the following documents to the tournament director no later than **October 1, 2025**:
  - o USA Hockey certified player roster
  - o Completed jersey document (Form will be sent to team upon payment completion)
  - o Travel permits as required
- 23. The Tournament Committee reserves the right to make final decisions in terms of interpreting the tournament rules and resolving issues or disputes as necessary. The protest must be written and filed with the Tournament Director within two hours of the conclusion of the game in question. The Tournament Committee will be the convening authority and will make the final decision. The decisions of the Tournament Committee are final and not subject to appeal. Protests on Referee Calls during the game will not be considered.
- 24. Fighting will not be tolerated. Any player penalized for fighting will be expelled from the tournament. There is a zero tolerance policy against player, spectator and referee abuse. Any persons found to be in violation of this may be asked to leave for the remainder of the tournament. These are important values to the Rampage organization and will be enforced accordingly.
- 25. Neither the tournament nor the rinks are responsible for injuries. It is the responsibility of the team manager to have applicable USA Hockey injury reports and insurance forms available in the event of an injury.
- 26. **Safe Sport Protocol:** *The USA Hockey Sanctioned Tournament Safe Sport Protocol will be adhered to.* All players, coaches, officials, and volunteers must comply with USA

Hockey's Safe Sport policies.

## **27. Locker Room Policies**

- All locker room use will follow USA Hockey's Safe Sport Locker Room Policy.
- An adult monitor from each team must be present in the locker room area when players are present.
- No recording devices are allowed in locker rooms.

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