

TRI COUNTY LEAGUE RULES OF PLAY FOR 2009/2010 SEASON

DATES/GAMES

“A” Smith Division - September 27/09 to January 16/10
“AA” Bowen Division - September 27/09 to January 16/10
“AE” Harrison/Russell Divisions - September 27/09 to January 16/10
Tyke Select - October 13/09 to February 7/10

“A” Smith Division - 28 games
“AA” Bowen Division – 28 games
“AE” Harrison/Russell Divisions – 28 games
Tyke Select – 24 games

All games MUST be played

SEEDINGS

Seedings for League Playoffs, Round Robin Qualifier and OMHA Playdowns will be based on standings as of final season dates set out above. Team seedings will be maintained throughout OMHA Playdowns and League Playoffs, excluding League Championship series.

TOURNAMENTS

Teams are permitted three (3) tournaments during regular season. This does NOT include pre-season (prior to Division start date above), or Christmas (week between Christmas and New Year’s)

Tyke Select are only permitted to participate in two (2) OMHA Sanctioned tournaments, and only after December 1, 2009.

No tournaments are permitted during OMHA Round Robin Qualifiers (January 15/10 to February 8/10) except Silver Stick Finals.

Centers (BB and below) who do not participate in Round Robin Qualifier may play in tournaments as per OMHA guidelines.

RECLASSIFICATION

Requests for re-classification must be made in writing to the TCMHL President

Any teams wishing to be re-classified in the Bowen or Smith Divisions must make their request in October to allow for decisions to be made at the November TCMHL meeting.

No teams will be re-classified into the Russell Division for Tri-County playoffs

OMHA PLAYDOWN ROUND ROBIN QUALIFIERS

All teams, “AA”, “A”, “AE” will play Round Robin Qualifier format

Tyke Select do not compete in OMHA Playdowns, see Tri County Playoffs for Tyke Select rules

If teams are added into any Tri-County division, they will play the Round Robin Qualifier format. (i.e.: Owen Sound, Thorold)

Round Robin Qualifiers to be completed by Thursday February 4/2010 to allow for tie breakers and or reschedules.

1- 10 minute sudden victory overtime in all Round Robin Qualifier games

1 – 30 second time out per team per game

Home Centre Officials for ALL games in qualifiers

Round Robin Qualifiers shall be decided on a point system, two points for the win, one point for a tie,

Divisions with two (2) teams will play a minimum of a best three (3) of five (5) series

Divisions with three (3) teams will play as one (1) group in a six (6) game round robin

Divisions with five (5) teams or less will play as one (1) group

Divisions with five (5) teams or less will play a home and away with each team

Divisions with five (5) teams or more will play a home and away against each team in their group

The top team advances from one (1) group divisions

Divisions with more than five (5) teams will split into two (2) groups

For divisions with two (2) groups, the top finishing team of each group will play a best two (2) of three (3) series to determine team that moves on to the OMHA quarter finals

If there are two (2) groups within a division, home ice advantage goes to the team with the higher finish in the regular season.

If a best two (2) of three (3) series is required after the Round Robin Qualifier, in a one (1) group division, home ice goes to the highest place finish in the Round Robin.

Best two (2) of three (3) series must be completed by February 7/10

ADDITIONAL OMHA PLAYDOWN ROUND ROBIN QUALIFIERS RULES FOR “AA” DIVISIONS

All divisions will be split into three (3) groups for Round Robin Qualifiers

The top team in each group moves on to Quarter Finals

The winner of group one (1) plays the winner of Group three (3) in Quarter Finals

The winner of group two (2) plays Area A (Tecumseh Shoreline) in Quarter Finals

TIE-BREAKER RULES ROUND ROBIN QUALIFIERS

If at the conclusion of a Round Robin Qualifier there is not a defined winner an additional game will be played to determine the winner.

The game shall be hosted by the center as follows:

First: The winner of the round robin games between the two tied teams has

Second: The team with the most wins in Round Robin Qualifier

Third: If teams are still tied after the above has been applied, then the team with the best goal average gains the Home Ice.

The goal average of a team is to be determined in the following manner:

Total number of goals for divided by the total number of goals for and against.

NOTE: Only the scores for the tied teams' will be used, is still tied then all Round Robin Qualifier games scores will be used.

Example For = 10

Against = 4

Percentage $10/(10+4) = .714$

Fourth: If three (3) teams are tied the goal average rule will be used to determine first, second and third place

The second and third place teams play one (1) game playoff

The winner of that game will play one (1) game playoff against the first place team

The team with the highest goal average hosts the tiebreaker game(s)

TRI-COUNTY PLAYOFFS

Tyke Select compete for Tri County Championship only, teams will play Round Robin format as per Appendix "A"

Based on season results, there may be movement between the tyke select divisions to create balance amongst division teams. Teams may be moved up, down, and /or a fourth and fifth division may be created

Novice through Bantam will play Round Robin format as per Appendix "A"

Minor Midget and up will play a minimum 2 of 3 series as per Appendix "B"

All League playoff games to be completed by March 7, 2010

Championship Series to be completed by March 28, 2010

League Championship to be a minimum 2 out of 3 series, but a three (3) out of five (5) is preferred

Tri-County playoffs can commence immediately after regular season completion

If teams proceed to OMHA Semi-finals, then any games played will be removed from the standings

March Break play is encouraged

Tri-County playoff games and OMHA playoff games may be played at the same time

1 – 10 minute sudden victory overtime in all games

1 – 30 second time out per team per game

Home Centre Officials for ALL games

Minor Midget and Midget teams advancing to OMHA Quarter finals WILL NOT be permitted to return to League playoffs if eliminated, exception to this for teams that Quarter Finals was the first playdown action.

Novice to Bantam teams advancing to quarter finals WILL BE permitted to return to League playoffs if eliminated.

TIE-BREAKER RULES TRICOUNTY LEAGUE PLAYOFFS

First: Head to Head

Second: Extra one (1) game played

Third: If three (3) teams are tied the team with most wins in round robin wins first place

If still tied, the percentage rule will be used to determine first, second and third place

In either situation the second and third place teams play one (1) game playoff, home ice based on regular season seeding

The winner of that game will play for the League Championship series against the first place team.

The first place team at the end of the Round Robin has home ice advantage for the Championship series.