



OHA CUP 2011

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Dear Coach

The Ontario Hockey Association, in partnership with Alliance Hockey and EHC Elite Hockey Consultants Inc. is pleased to announce a new initiative, The OHA Cup, an event that we would welcome your team to be part of.

The OHA Cup is more than just a competition – it is a prospect event that will guide the aspirations of all Major Midget Hockey players in Ontario. The OHA Cup will provide a unique opportunity for Midget Hockey players to participate in a tournament that will leave them with extremely valuable insights into their on-and-off-ice abilities as a means to maximize the potential of every participant. The tournament will run from April 14th to 17th, 2011 in Cambridge, ON.

The tournament will offer the following:

FOR PLAYERS

OFF-ICE

- Participating Teams will engage in a variety of seminars specifically designed to educate players and parents on the opportunities that exist beyond Midget hockey.
- Players will be informed of the next steps required to position themselves most effectively, in their transition from Minor to Junior hockey, they will also gain valuable insights into:
 - scouting opportunities for the next levels of competition,
 - nutrition and training techniques,
 - teams and leagues available as well as what will be expected from them as they pursue higher levels of their education.
- Players will engage in state-of-the-art physical and technique testing by **Sports Testing Inc.** – a world leader in this field. Players will be subjected to rigorous and sophisticated customized electronic testing with real-time feedback on-ice and off-ice. In this context, Sports Testing will provide detailed reports for each individual as well as coach's reports. A database and analytics of the athlete's progress over time will also be maintained and accessible to parents and coaches online.
- In an effort to provide maximum exposure of the participants, **MidgetAAACanada.com**, a national resource for Midget hockey, will providing a national platform available on-line, full of resources in order to create maximum exposure for these talented, hard working student athletes as well as facilitating communication between teams, coaches and academic institutions.
- Opportunities to meet scouts from all OHA teams,
- To be introduced to the Ontario Hockey Association and their role in Junior Hockey

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ON-ICE

- 5 game minimum guarantee to a maximum of 7 games
- Game Stars
- Commemorative Banner for Each Team
- Commemorative Champions Trophy
- Tournament All Star Team Selection and Game
- Skill Competition
- Fitness Test and Rating

FOR COACHES

- The opportunity to provide your players valuable resources and contacts,
- Opportunity to network with scouts and officials from the OHA
- The ability to continue evaluating your players for the up-coming season

Entry Fee

\$2,250.00 / Team

(Approximately \$125.00/player)

If interested in attending, we would be most pleased to forward a tournament package to you. My contact information is listed above. Additional information is also on-line:

OHA CUP Tournament Information: <http://www.ohahockey.org/page/show/284968-oha-cup>

Alliance Hockey: <http://www.alliancehockey.com/>

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Look forward to hearing from you.

Tony Visca, Tournament Chair

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TEAM APPLICATION

Team Name:	Association:
Contact Name:	Mailing Address:
Home Phone:	Business Phone:
Cell Phone:	Email Address:
Fax Number:	Signature:

As an agent for the above noted hockey team, parents and officials, I acknowledge and agree that this entry form releases the sponsors, officials, arena management, and tournament officials from any liability for any accident or injury which may be incurred by a player, parent, or team official while attending or participating in this tournament.

Payment Terms

1. To secure your reservation into the OHA Cup 2011 Tournament, please complete this application in full and return with your certified **DEPOSIT** cheque or money order for \$500.00 (CAD) NO LATER THAN MARCH 15, 2011. (This deposit is non-refundable.)
2. The balance must be received by cheque or money order no later than April 7, 2011 to ensure your entry. Priority will be given to teams that have provided full payment of \$2,250.00.
3. Please make your cheques payable to:
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2011 TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS

1. This tournament is sanctioned by Alliance Hockey and the Ontario Hockey Federation. All participating teams must be registered with the Hockey Canada or USA Hockey. Team managers will be required to provide Hockey Canada approved team roster for all their players as well as travel documents two weeks prior to the start of the tournament. Only players on the approved roster will be allowed to participate.
2. Teams will be allowed affiliated players providing proof of on their approved rosters. Affiliated players will be allowed subject to the constraints of Hockey Canada Regulations.
3. All Teams must register in the arena Tournament Office one (1) hour prior to each game. Should the 'game schedule' be ahead of time, teams are to be ready to go on up to fifteen (15) minutes early. Late teams may forfeit warm-up time or game (see rule 10). Only the most recent 'web-published' first game time/place is confirmed. The remainder will be confirmed upon arena registration at the first game.
4. Players on a Hockey Canada or USA Hockey Midget card for the 2010-2011 Season may participate in the tournament. Each team is permitted to dress 18 players plus 2 goaltenders. Both goalies must be dressed for each game and in the event a goaltender is injured or cannot continue playing for any reason (example: sickness, repairs to equipment, etc) he must be replaced immediately by the alternate goaltender and no time for warm-up will be allowed.
5. Home teams will wear their DARK jersey color. Visiting teams will wear WHITE / LIGHT.
6. The Tournament Committee reserves the right to make all decisions regarding certifications, interpretation(s) of rules, classifications, scheduling, objections, suspensions and protests or any aspect of the tournament. All decisions will be final.
7. Any team, who cannot stay to participate in these games for any reason, will lose their position in the tournament and all rights to any awards or fees paid.
8. Any MATCH PENALTY assessed to any player, coach or manager, will result in AUTOMATIC SUSPENSION from the remainder of the tournament.
9. Game Officials and arena staff reserve the right to remove any players, coaches and/or spectators who violate Zero Tolerance policies.
10. Any team may file an appeal with the Tournament Chairman. This appeal must be submitted in writing along with a fee of \$200 cash, before their concern will be considered. A refund of this fee will only apply if the appeal is successful.
11. The Tournament Committee will select All-Star Game Participants. Team Coaches will select two participants for the skills competition.

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2011 TOURNAMENT FORMAT

1. **Divisions:** Divisions will be composed of 8 groups of 4 teams.

2. Qualifying Round:

- Each team will play 4 games, 1 game against each team as outlined: Group A will cross over against Group B, Group C will crossover against Group D, Group E will crossover against Group F, Group G will crossover against Group H,
- Point structure for games as follows: Win=2 points; Tie=1 points; Loss=0 points.
- Game Duration: 15-15-20 minute periods stop-time (no overtime). Three minute warm-up at beginning of each game.
- Any team failing to appear for a game at an appointed time may forfeit the game and may face suspension. Two (2) points will be awarded to the non-defaulting team and the score will be registered as a 1-0 victory.
- The ice will be resurfaced after the second period during the qualifying round.
- At any point in the third period if a team leads by 5 goals or more the time will be running even if the lead is reduced to less than 5 goals, we will continue with running time .
- Teams will be allowed one thirty second time out per game.
- Top team in each Division will advance to the playoff round. Remaining teams go to a one game consolation game.
- Standings will be maintained for each Division. The tie breaker for the Qualifying Round will be as follows:
 - The most wins,
 - The least losses,
 - The TOTAL goals FOR divided by the SUM of the total goals FOR and AGAINST.
 - Coin Toss

3. Playoff Round

- Team finishing first within each Division advances.
- A standing is created with the teams finishing first to determine top eight rankings based on the results of their Divisional play. The tie breaker will be as follows:
 - The TOTAL goals FOR divided by the SUM of the total goals FOR and AGAINST.
 - The most wins,
 - The least losses,
 - Least penalty minutes.
 - Coin Toss
- The quarter-finals will have Rank 1 vs. Rank 8, Rank 2 vs. Rank 7, Rank 3 vs. Rank 6, and Rank 4 vs. Rank 5. Semi Final Games will consist of higher rank team playing the lower rank team.
- Game Duration:
 - Quarter Finals: 20-20-20 minute periods stop-time. Three minute warm-up at beginning of each game.
 - Semi-Finals and Finals: 20-20-20 minute periods stop-time. Three minute warm-up at beginning of each game
- In the event of a tie after regulation time, a 5 minute sudden death, stop time overtime period will be played with 4 skaters per side. Should the tie still prevail, a further 5 min stop time period will be played 3 on 3. Should the tie still prevail, a best of 3 rounds of penalty shots will be taken.
- The penalty shots are to be taken simultaneously with the order of the players taking the shots to be determined by the Coaches. No player may repeat until each eligible player listed on the game sheet (goaltender exception) has taken his turn. If required, the second round must adhere to the same order of players as the first round. Players serving a penalty at the end of regulation time are considered ineligible and may not participate in penalty shots.
- Teams will be allowed one thirty second time out per game.

4. Consolation Round

- All teams will play an additional game.
- 2nd Place Team Group A will play 2nd Place Team Group H, 2nd Place Team Group B will play 2nd Place Team Group G, 2nd Place Team Group C will play 2nd Place Team Group F, 2nd Place Team Group D will play 2nd Place Team Group E.
- Similar format will be followed for 3rd and 4th Place Teams

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