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Tournament informations and rules

Victoria Cup U16 “Girls Only” Tournament Information - May 3rd, 2026

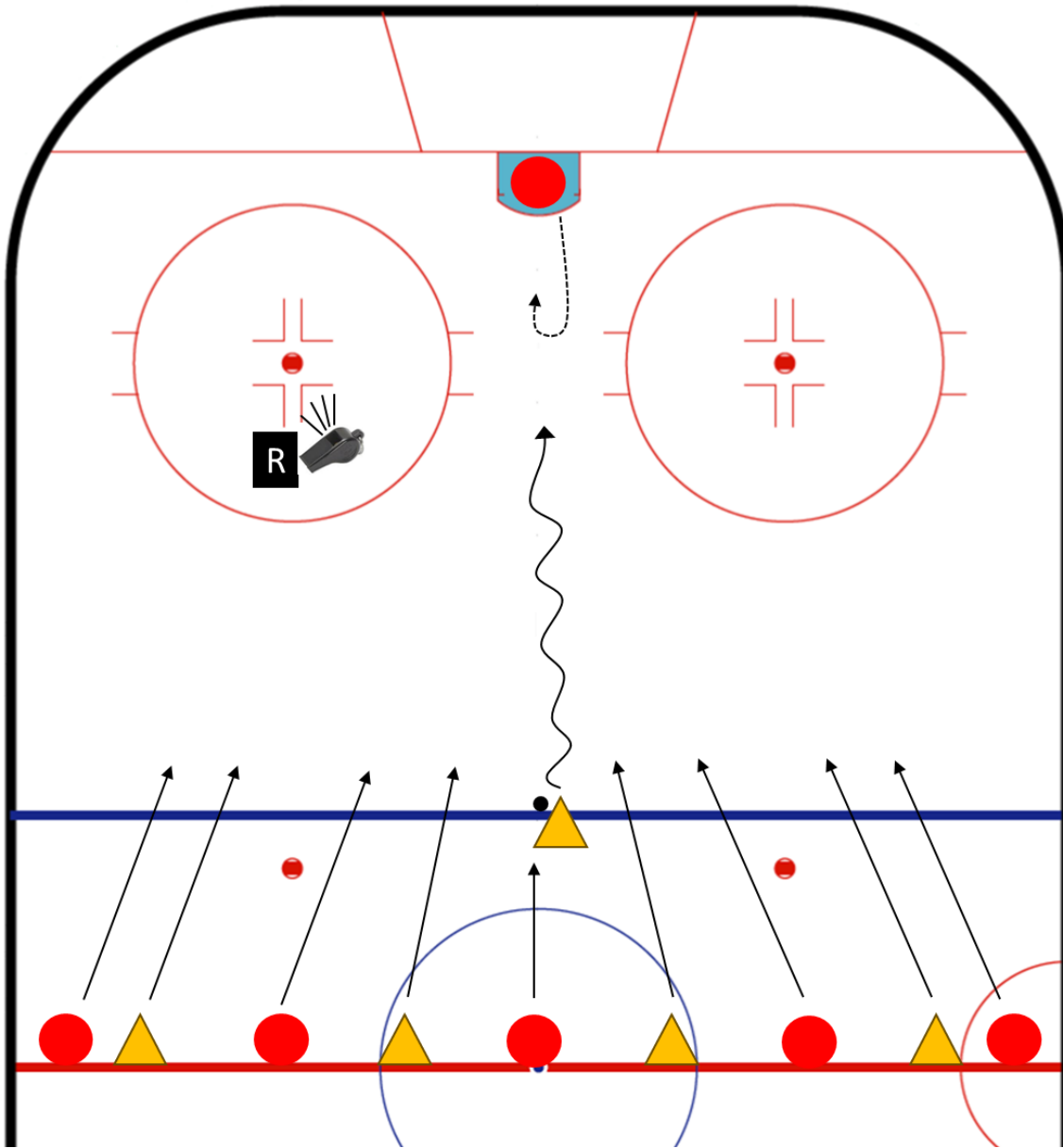


	<u>Explanation</u>
Eligibility	<p>Girls Only</p> <p>All registered players born between 2010 and 2013 are eligible</p> <p>One team consists of a maximum of 15 players and two goalkeepers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The <u>Players Coordinator</u> from the SIHF in agreement with the tournament chair and board will be responsible for all aspects of player / team designations and will be responsible for managing team rosters when there are player absences. • Numbers are assigned by the Players Coordinator and are not allowed to be exchanged. Players must play with their assigned numbers
Game Mode	<p>Full ice, 5 on 5 with Goalie, IIHF Rules <i>with modifications noted below</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Each game will be 27 minutes running time - <i>No overtime</i> • The teams will only play in one direction. • No time outs allowed • The clock will only be stopped for a major injury or other substantive problem - as determined by the referees • In the event of a tie, there will be “simultaneous” penalty shots of 3 rounds. <i>If the result is still a tie, then the match result is a tie (Example image on the last page).</i> <p><i>If there is an issue with the overall Victoria Cup schedule, the Victoria Cup Director (tournament chair) can reduce the game playing time to 24 minutes.</i></p>
Rules - IIHF	<p>Referees officiate the games using the IIHF Rules of the Game.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Body checking is <u>not</u> allowed
Rule Clarifications & Modifications	<p><u>Hybrid Icing</u> with player changes allowed for <u>both</u> teams.</p> <p><u>Penalties:</u> Penalty Shot Chase (Example image on the last page)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For any penalty that is assessed, the fouled player will take a penalty shot from the blue line with the 9 other players on one knee at the Red line in alternating order. • When the Referee blows the whistle, the fouled player takes the puck in for a penalty shot and all 9 other players are allowed to chase the player with the puck. • When a goal is made, there is a center ice face off, when it is missed play continues as normal until there is a stoppage in play. <p><u>Extra Skaters</u> are allowed - The Goalie can be removed from the playing surface and substituted by an extra skater.</p>

<p>Match tied after full time</p>	<p>In the event of a tie, there will be “simultaneous” penalty shots of 3 rounds. <i>If the result is still a tie, then the match result is a tie.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 players are designated by each team. • All 3 players come out to center ice in a line on their team’s side of the center ice red line. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>No other players are allowed on the ice.</i> ○ When their penalty attempt is finished, the player must return to the bench • 3 pucks for each team are placed on the red line halfway between the face-off circle and the center face off. • One Player from each team will simultaneously take the penalty shots on the Referee’s Whistle (example image on the last page). • Each referee will be stationed in one of the defensive zones for the penalty shot. They will take possession of the puck after each penalty shot. <p><i>These points are mentioned for speed of play reasons.</i></p>
<p>“Spirit of the Victoria Cup“ Rules</p>	<p>The objective of Victoria Cup is for it to be a fun, friendly competitive competition with the best U16 girls in Switzerland participating.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are not expected to be any disputes or protests - <i>the focus is on the “Spirit of the Victoria Cup”</i> <p>Equal playing time for all players</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No players should be benched • No block should get more playing time than the others <p>Goalies will play 3 full matches in an order to be determined by the Head Coach or six ½ matches</p> <p><i>Adjustments can only be made by the Players coordinator or The tournament Chair.</i></p>
<p>Captains & Assistant Captains</p>	<p>Each team is encouraged to assign a Captain for each game.</p> <p>The Captain will be responsible for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organizing pre game warm up • Greeting the other team’s Captain and Coaches and the Referees at the pre game line-up.
<p>Pre game Line-up at the Blue Line</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two minutes before the start of the game, both teams line up at the blue line for the traditional pre game line up and greeting.
<p>Time Saving Points</p>	<p><i>As the time for the Victoria Cup is tight with 18 games and the objective is to play all games at 27 minute running time, the following points should be observed by all participants:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There will only be a warm up before the first game in the morning. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Players can briefly skate on the ice on the way to the bench</i> • Handshakes occur after every game and then players exit the ice immediately.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The team staff will be responsible for clearing the bench of water bottles and sticks
Victoria Cup Structure	<p>6 Teams (white, red, yellow, blue, green, black) with every team playing every other team - a total of 5 games for each team in the initial ranking rounds.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Points for a win after regulation: 3 • Points for a win after penalty shootout: 2 • Points for a loss after penalty shootout <u>or the game stays a tie</u>: 1 • Points for a loss after regulation: 0 <p>After all of the games are completed, the initial ranking list will be finalized. For teams that are tied on total points, the following are the tiebreakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Head to Head result • Goal Difference • Total number of goals scored • Final Tiebreaker <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Result vs 1st place team <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Absolute Result ▪ Goal Difference ▪ Goals Scored • Final, final tiebreaker <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Coin Flip <p>Placement Round Finals: There will be 3 placement round games to determine the final rankings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5th place vs 6th place • 3rd place vs 4th place • 1st place vs 2nd place <p><i>When teams are tied at the end of regulation in the placement round, there will be a 5 player penalty shootout.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The penalty shots will be according to IIHF rules and will be taken from the center ice face off dot. • The coaches can designate any 5 players • If teams are still tied after 5 rounds, then the shootout will continue with new players until a conclusion is reached. • After all players have attempted a shot and a conclusion still has not been reached, then the players go again in their original order.
Ice re-surfacing	Will occur after every 3 games
Closing Ceremony	All players in their Jerseys are expected to participate in the closing ceremony at the conclusion of the final placement round game.

Explanation of the penalty shot chase



Explanation of the "simultaneous" penalty shot

