

Orangeville Minor Hockey

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2018-19 New Half Ice Tyke Season Structure (7 Year olds only 2011)

For the 2018-19 season Orangeville Minor Hockey will be adopting the Tyke Half Ice program as laid out by Hockey Canada and Ontario Minor Hockey Association.

Teams will be divided into teams of equal ability once evaluation skates have been completed. Teams will have no more than 18 players and the number of teams that will be created will be determined by registered participants. The goalie position will be rotated through the team.

The season (Pre-season) will begin the end of September. Development practices will be the format for the first six weeks (End September to Mid-November). Practices will focus 75% of its time on Individual Technical Skills (Skating, Shooting, Passing, and Puck Control) and the remainder Individual and Team Tactical Skills/Strategies. It is recommended that coaches work together and design station-based drills and try to coordinate players with similar skill levels in each station.

The (regular season) games will commence Mid-November and run through to March. Games will be played on half ice with 2 matches going on at one time (half the team will be on one half and the rest will be on the other half). Teams will share the benches. The play will be 4 on 4 with goalies and will utilize the Blue puck. There will be no offside or icing. There will be one face off at the beginning of each period. Periods will be two 22-minute halves with one-minute buzzer. Officials will be on ice - if an infraction occurs (ie: tripping) officials are to pull that player aside to explain why it's against the rules and player can remain on the ice for that minute of play. If the behaviour continues, that said player will be sent back to the players bench for the remainder of their shift and the team will play short until the shift ends. Players will not be sent to the penalty box. It will be recommended to have tiered lines with coaches talking prior to game start. Coaches should set up the lines by similar ability level and talk with the opposing Coach to match lines of equal ability

Coaches and Trainers will be needed for all teams. The recommendation is we have at least 4 coaches per team. Coaches will be required to have Certification Level "Coach 1 or 2" and Trainers will need to complete the online Hockey Canada Trainer's Certificate. All on-ice help will be required to complete (if not already done so): Gender Identity Training (online) and Respect in Sport Activity Leader.

Orangeville Minor Hockey is committed to supporting this program and developing all players.

Regards,

OMH Executive