



## Belleville Bearcats New Year Classic Tournament

OWHA Sanction #2324019

### **RULES for U9 Divisions**

#### **Game Play Guidelines, Rules & Penalties**

- \*3-minute warmup prior to first game of two 22-minute games.
  - \*Game length is 22 minutes.
  - \*1-minute rest between the two 22-minute games.
- \*Incidental contact may happen, but body-checking is not permitted.
  - \*No centre-ice line, therefore no icing.
  - \*No blue-lines in play, therefore no offsides.
  - \*Home team will defend net at end of the rink.
  - \*Visiting teams will defend the centre-ice nets.
- \*Teams will share player benches with each team using the gate closest to the net they are defending.
- \*Main score clock will be utilized to keep time for both games simultaneously.
  - \*No score is kept.
  - \*Black puck will be utilized.
- \*Shifts will be 90 seconds with buzzer or whistle sounding to indicate player change.
- \*No stop time on clock. It will continue to run for each 22-minute game.
- \*Two face-offs during game only – beginning of each 22-minute game.
- \*Officials are encouraged to blow whistle when puck is covered by goalie or when a change in possession is required.
  - \*Minor penalties will be noted. Non-offending teams controls puck following penalty.
  - \*Penalty offender will sit out the next shift, but team does NOT play shorthanded.
- \*Should infraction occur which would normally require a player to be ejected from the game, the player will be removed from the remainder of the game, but team does NOT play shorthanded.

