



The 20<sup>th</sup> Annual FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL HOLIDAY INVITATIONAL 2019 is located at Hertz Arena in Estero, Florida. Hertz Arena is located directly between Ft. Myers and Naples, in beautiful Southwest Florida. The facility has three ice rinks, one seating 7,100 for the ECHL Florida Everblades.

The FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL HOLIDAY INVITATIONAL is for teams that are looking for the best competition possible. This tournament has 8U thru 18U A, AA levels. This tournament has featured 85 teams making it the largest ever in the Southeast District. Having a 4-game guarantee with a possible 5th or 6th game makes the trip worth it. The tournament markets for out of state teams. The winners of the tournament receive an automatic invitation next year to defend the trophy.

Southwest Florida's beaches are fifteen minutes from the rink. The hotels are within ten minutes of the arena and the beach. The Southwest Florida International Airport is one exit from the arena. The arena is located along side of highway I-75. Next to the arena is Florida's largest outlet mall the Miromar Outlets. Airboat trips in the Everglades or fishing charters can be taken in during your time off between games, and of course, golfing is nearby.

The FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL HOLIDAY INVITATIONAL is December 27 – 31.

8U, 10U and 12U divisions will be December 27 – 29. Florida teams should be prepared play by 9:00am on the 27th. Out of state teams should be prepared to play by 1:00pm on the 27th. 14U, 15U, 16U and 18U division will be December 29 – 31 with games **starting as early as 8am on the 29<sup>th</sup>**. Teams must have home and away jerseys, one light and one dark. The tournament will be played with USA Hockey rules. You must submit an USA Hockey Roster signed by your local USA Hockey Registrar at the tournament registration table before playing the first game. Canadian teams must submit a signed roster from their local affiliate.

The FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL HOLIDAY INVITATIONAL is a stay to play event and all hotel rooms **MUST** be booked through the Lee County Sports Organizing Committee link on the next page.

Unfortunately, special scheduling requests cannot be accepted.

The only way to guarantee your spot is by sending in the registration form with full payment.

Do not delay!

Congratulations for being selected as possible tournament participants.

Thank you,

Tony Lessel  
Tournament Director

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HOLIDAY INVITATIONAL 2019**  
AT

***Hertz Arena***

**TOURNAMENT HIGHLIGHTS**

8U MINOR/MAJOR • 10U A/AA • 12U A/AA  
14U A/AA • 16U A/AA • 18U AA

4 GAME GUARANTEES  
CHAMPIONSHIP BANNER  
INDIVIDUAL 1<sup>ST</sup> AND 2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE AWARDS  
SUDDEN DEATH OVERTIME FOR ALL GAMES

**DECEMBER 27 – 29**

8U • 10U • 12U

FLORIDA TEAMS WILL START NO EARLIER THAN 9:00AM  
OUT OF STATE TEAMS WILL START NO EARLIER THAN 1:00PM  
COST FOR 8U: \$850 BEFORE OCTOBER 1 OR \$950 AFTER OCTOBER 1  
COST: \$1,400 BEFORE OCTOBER 1 OR \$1,550 AFTER OCTOBER 1

**DECEMBER 29 – 31**

**GAMES CAN START AS EARLY AS 8:00AM ON THE 29TH**

14U • 16U • 18U

COST: \$1,500 BEFORE OCTOBER 1 OR \$1,650 AFTER OCTOBER 1  
3 PERIODS OF 15 MINUTE STOP TIME

- ✓ WORLD CLASS GOLF
- ✓ ARENA IS MINUTES AWAY FROM THE BEACH
- ✓ ARENA IS SECONDS AWAY FROM MIROMAR OUTLET MALL

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**HOTEL INFORMATION**

PLEASE CALL LEE COUNTY SPORTS HOUSING, AT 239-541-1800 OR TOLL-FREE AT 888-529-6588 AND THEY WILL GLADLY TELL YOU WHICH HOTELS HAVE AVAILABILITY AND HELP RESERVE YOUR ROOMS AND/OR TEAM BLOCKS SO THAT YOU DON'T HAVE TO MAKE ENDLESS PHONE CALLS. YOU CAN ALSO CLICK THEIR WEBSITE LINK <https://www.leecountysportshousing.org/event/1371> TO SEE A LIST OF THE HOTELS AND SUITES, DESCRIPTION AND DISCOUNTED RATES OF EACH, AND THE DISTANCE IN MILES TO GERMAIN ARENA. CHOOSE FROM ANY OF THE 40+ HOTELS LISTED, WHICH HAVE COMMITTED ROOMS AND SUITES AT DISCOUNTED RATES FOR THIS EVENT. IN ORDER TO RECEIVE THESE RATES PLEASE RESERVE YOUR LODGING THRU LEE COUNTY SPORTS... AS THEY ARE HERE TO HELP YOUR TEAMS!

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## ORGANIZATIONS THAT HAVE ATTENDED

JR. EVERBLADES  
TRIANGLE SHARKS, NORTH CAROLINA  
TAMPA SCORPIONS  
NORTH YORK KNIGHTS, ONTARIO  
FLORIDA KNIGHTS  
POMPANO BEACH PANTHERS  
ORLANDO EAGLES  
JR CHECKERS, NORTH CAROLINA  
TAMPA BAY JR LIGHTNING  
CORAL SPRINGS COYOTES  
BOSTON JR TERRIERS, MASSACHUSETTS  
VAUGHAN PANTHERS, ONTARIO  
MIAMI PATRIOTS  
HUNTINGTON BEACH, CALIFORNIA  
GLACIER BEARS  
DULUTH ICEHAWKS, GEORGIA  
SPACE COAST HURRICANES  
JR PHANTOMS  
BOBCATS, NEWYORK  
ATLANTA JR THRASHERS, GEORGIA  
PALM BEACH BLACK HAWKS  
FLORIDA FLYERS  
TORONTO COLTS, ONTARIO  
SYLVANIA NORTHVIEW, OHIO  
TEAM ILLINOIS, ILLINOIS  
ASHBURN XTREME, VIRGINIA  
HOUSTON JR. AEROS, TEXAS  
ARAPAHOE ICE WARRIORS, COLORADO  
CORALSPRINGS COLTS  
GULF COAST FLAMES  
HUNTSVILLE CHARGERS, ALABAMA  
ST. MARY'S MONARCHS, ONTARIO  
ALASKA WOLVES, ALASKA  
SUNCOAST SHARKS  
GREENVILLE GRIZZILES, SOUTH CAROLINA  
ETOBICOKE CANUCKS, ONTARIO  
LITTLETON HAWKS, COLORADO  
EAST COAST EAGLES, NORTH CAROLINA  
HUMBERVIEW HUSKIES, ONTARIO  
COLUMBIA CYCLONES, SOUTH CAROLINA  
ORLANDO JR KNIGHTS  
ATLANTA KNIGHTS, GEORGIA  
FLORIDA ALLIANCE  
MIAMI TOROS  
LADY VIPERS  
HUMBERVIEW HUSKIES, ONTARIO  
COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS  
CUMBERLAND JR GRADS, ONTARIO  
NC FORCE  
SHARPSHOOTERS, FL  
YORK MILLS RANGERS

FLORIDA JR PANTHERS  
PLANET ICE PREDATORS  
BRANDON ICE BOLTS  
TEAM RAIDERS  
PALM BEACH PANTHERS  
FLANAGAN FALCONS  
TAMPA STARS  
RENEGADES  
TARAVELLA TROJANS  
RDV STARS  
FLORIDA PATRIOTS  
JR. NORSEMEN  
JOKERS WILD  
SOUTH FLORIDA GOLDEN WOLVES  
JR BULL  
ORLAND PARK VIKINGS, ILLINOIS  
JR. BARRACUDAS  
HILLCREST SUMMITS, ONTARIO  
GLENVIEW STARS, ILLINOIS  
FT. MYERS PHANTOMS  
INDIANAPOLIS BLAST, INDIANA  
HOUSTON HITMEN, TEXAS  
OSHAWA GENERALS, ONTARIO  
TAMPA BAY TITANS  
PENN QUAKERS, PENNSYLVANIA  
APPLEWOOD COYOTES, ONTARIO  
LONE STAR WOLVES, TEXAS  
GLENBROOK NORTH, ILLINOIS  
MERCER CHIEFS, NEW JERSEY  
CRANKS, MICHIGAN  
SO-CAL TITANS, CALIFORNIA  
TRI-CITY EAGLES, MARYLAND  
KISSIMMEE COLTS  
PANTHERS ALLIANCE  
NJ COLONIALS, NEW JERSEY  
TAMPA BAY BLIZZARD  
GREEN MACHINE, NEW YORK  
BRENTWOOD BRUINS, TENNESSEE  
JR PREDATORS, TENNESSEE  
PELHAM PANTHERS, ALABAMA  
JR HURRICANES, NORTH CAROLINA  
PALM BEACH BREAKERS  
ATLANTA PHOENIX, GEORGIA  
GEORGES-VANIER, QUEBEC  
FLORIDA EELS  
CAROLINA STARS, NC  
GOLD COAST HAMMERHEADS  
TAMPA ELITE  
BLACK MAMBAS  
TAMPA SCORPIONS  
WILMINGTON ICE HAWKS

MARKHAM ISLANDERS, ONTARIO  
PEMBROKE PINES GOLDEN WOLVES  
EAGLE BROOK, MASSACHUSETTS  
KENDALL HURRICNAES  
WILLOWDALE BLACKHAWKS, ONTARIO  
BATON ROUGE KING FISH, LOUISIANA  
ATLANTA FIRE, GEORGIA  
SUNRISE SHARKS  
PALM BEACH PANTHERS INDEPENDENT  
ELLENTON EELS  
MIDDLESEX ISLANDERS, MAINE  
JACKSONVILLE STORM  
IMG ACADEMY  
ORLANDO STARS  
MARKHAM WAXERS, ONTARIO  
BULLDOGS  
FLORIDA SHARP SHOOTERS  
RENEGADES, NEW JERSEY  
DOWINGTON QUAKERS, PENNSYLVANIA  
DULUTH JR THRASHERS, GEORGIA  
KENNESAW JR THRASHERS, GEORGIA  
NORTHBROOK BLUEHAWKS, ILLINOIS  
PORT HURON WILD, MICHIGAN  
MARKHAM ISLANDERS, ONTARIO  
VENTURA MARINERS, CALIFORNIA  
TED REEVE THUNDER, ONTARIO  
LANCASTER AVALANCHE, ONTARIO  
KEYSTONE GENERALS, PENNSYLVANIA  
LORNE PARK OJIBWA, ONTARIO  
SOUTHERN FLYERS, TENNESSEE  
DALLAS DRAGONS, TEXAS  
DALLAS STARS SELECTS, TEXAS  
GOULDING PARK RANGERS, ONTARIO  
FLORIDA EVERBLADES  
GEORGETOWN RAIDERS, ONTARIO  
CHAHHEL ISLANDS RIPTIDE, CALIFORNIA  
TORONTO AVALANCHE, ONTARIO  
JACKSONVILLE BARRACUDAS  
HUMBERVALLEY SHARKS, ONTARIO  
CAROLINA LIGHTNING, NORTH CAROLINA  
CHARLOTTE FLAMES, NORTH CAROLINA  
PALM BEACH BLACKHAWKS  
BURLINGTON BULLDOGS, ONTARIO  
HOUSTON WILD, TEXAS  
PALM BEACH BREAKERS  
TBJL  
DAYTONA RACERS  
GULF COAST FLAMES  
PINEVILLE FALCONS  
VAUGHAN RANGERS

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TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION FORM

TEAM NAME \_\_\_\_\_

8U MINOR (2012) • 8U MAJOR (2011) • 10U A • 10U AA • 12U A • 12U AA

14U A • 14U AA • 16U A • 16U AA • 18U AA  
(please circle one)

LEAGUE TEAM PLAYS IN \_\_\_\_\_

TEAM CONTACT \_\_\_\_\_

TEAM CONTACT EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

TEAM CONTACT ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

TEAM CONTACT PHONE NUMBER CELL: \_\_\_\_\_ WORK: \_\_\_\_\_

MAIL REGISTRATION TO:  
HERTZ ARENA  
11000 EVERBLADES PARKWAY  
ESTERO, FLORIDA 33928  
ATTN: TONY LESSEL

FAX REGISTRATION TO: 239-948-4360

**CHECKS ONLY - PAYABLE TO TL HOCKEY ENTERPRISES LLC**

8U MINOR/MAJOR  
\$850 IF RECEIVED BEFORE OCTOBER 1  
\$950 IF RECEIVED AFTER OCTOBER 1

10U • 12U  
\$1,400 IF RECEIVED BEFORE OCTOBER 1  
\$1,550 IF RECEIVED AFTER OCTOBER 1

14U • 16U • 18U  
\$1,500 IF RECEIVED BEFORE OCTOBER 1  
\$1,650 IF RECEIVED AFTER OCTOBER 1

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS NOVEMBER 15**

REFUNDS WILL BE HALF PRICE OF REGISTRATION FEE  
\*NO REFUNDS WILL BE GIVEN WITH LESS THAN 45 DAYS NOTICE\*

# 20<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL HOLIDAY INVITATIONAL TOURNAMENT RULES



The schedule and rules that are posted at the tournament are official and final.

The tournament games will be played under USAH Rules unless otherwise noted in these rules.

Each team is required to put a representative in their respective penalty box.

The schedule and rules will be distributed to all team managers prior to the tournament.

Tournament Rosters may be submitted but are limited to no more than 2 additional players outside their organization or will be subject to approval by tournament director. Team submitting an official tournament roster must also submit their most recent official regular season roster. Players cannot play down regardless of age. Ex: 10U aged player is officially rostered on a regular season 12U team. That player cannot play down from 12U regardless of age. Independent organizations subject to approval by Tournament Director.

## Game Times:

8U – Round Robin: 22-minute run time games. Semifinal and Final: 26-minute run time. Consolation Games: 14-minute run time.

10U – 12U are scheduled for 3 periods of 12-minute stop time.

14U – 18U are scheduled for 3 periods of 15-minute stop time.

16U AA and 18U AA will have ice cut at the end of the second period in the semifinal and final games only.

All games are played until someone wins; sudden death overtime for all games. One timeout per team. No additional timeouts in overtime but timeouts can be rolled over if not used in regulation. Long change will be used for all overtime periods.

The clock will be running time when the score differential is 5 goals at any point after the first period.

Once the score differential is 3 and under the clock will revert to stop time.

Teams will not get more than 5 goals for or against in standings.

The clock will be running time when teams combine for 20 penalties in a game.

There will be no running time in Quarter Finals, Semi Finals, and Finals unless both coaches agree.

**Teams must be ready to play 30 minutes before game time.** The first game each day is exempt from this rule. If the ice is available, the scheduled game will begin early. If a team does not have enough players to start a game, the clock will run and a goal will be assessed against that team every 2 minutes. If the team is still not ready by the end of the first period, the game will be scored a forfeit. It is the responsibility of a team representative to notify their team if the game is going to start early. That can be determined by how much time is left in the game before compared to your scheduled start time. Or ask a tournament official.

Forfeits - If a team forfeits any of its games in the round robin play, all its games played or not played yet will be recorded as 1-0 victories for the non-offending teams. Forfeiting team will be subject to removal from the tournament

All games that are tied at the end of the third period will be played until someone wins. 12 minutes will be placed on the score clock. Each sudden death overtime period will be 12 minutes. Points are not accumulated for being tied at the end of the 3rd period. 2 points for a win and 0 points for a loss. All overtime periods will be played with the long change for both teams.

Tiebreaker Rules - If two or more teams have an equal number of points, their positions in the standings shall be determined by the following tie-breaking formulas. If one tie-breaker establishes a distinct position for one or more teams, each team is placed in its new applicable position and the sequence is complete. Once a team or teams are placed in their new position, if the position of two or more teams remained tied, the remaining tied teams shall start the tie breaking process over again from the beginning.

## Standings Determination

- 1) Most points accumulated
- 2) Most wins
- 3) Head to head competition will determine which team advances when applicable
- 4) Plus/minus goal differential
- 5) Least Goals allowed
- 6) Fewest penalty minutes during the tournament
- 7) Coin toss

Standings Determination for Semifinals and Finals to include all games played prior to Quarterfinals or Semifinals.

The ZERO Tolerance rule will be strictly enforced. Parents or coaches screaming or yelling (at players, Tournament staff or any Officials, on or off the ice) will be barred from Hertz Arena for the duration of the tournament. Each team and coach have the responsibility to control their parents. Officials or Hertz Arena management will stop play to remove unruly spectators from the arena. The rules of the arena will also be enforced – this includes a clean locker room. Any damage caused will be the responsibility of that team. Locker room keys will be given out for the first games of the morning by the recreation office located just outside the lobby of the green and blue rinks. All games following, locker room keys will be given out by the ushers on hand. Car keys are the only way to check out locker room keys. Car keys will be returned once rooms are checked and cleaned. No spectators or parents will be allowed along the hallways of the locker rooms and will be blocked off by the ushers.

**Tournament Director decision is final**