

U15 National Hockey (Boys)
Thursday 9 February 2023
Lee Valley Hockey and Tennis Centre
Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park
10.30am-4pm (arrive from 9.30am)

Schools and Spectators Information Pack

Event Itinerary

9.30am	Teams arrive, doors open for spectators. Team registration at reception.
9.40am	Warm up begins (15 minutes per team maximum)
10.10am	Coach's briefing. Warm up ends, all teams off astro.
10.30am	Tournament begins
1.00pm	Lunch & results collated
1.30pm	Cup/Plate tournaments begin
3.45pm	Cup/Plate Finals
4.00pm	Trophy & Medal presentations and Event Ends

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Parking

On entry to the venue everyone with a minibus, car or other vehicle you must enter their registration number at the reception desk at the centre. It is imperative to do this otherwise a penalty charge may be incurred. Please do let any traveling parents know. Car parking will be free on the day for minibuses and school staff. Coaches must drop off at the venue and find alternative parking. Any other supporters and parents will be given 4 hours free which can be topped up by paying £2.00 on arrival at the reception desk.

Tournament Format

- 7 a-side. Squads must include a goalkeeper + 6 outfield players.
- Every team will play three group matches followed by either the cup or plate competitions.
- The schedule has been designed so that each team will play on the stadium pitch at least once.
- All pre-match information will be sent out to you in the week building up to the event
- Where possible, we have avoided back to back games but on a couple of occasions, this has been unavoidable. Please keep to the schedule.

Match duration

All matches 10 minutes one way with a 2-minute break in between matches, please ensure that your team is in the right place at the right time.

Group matches will be run on central timing in the group stages; start is signified by a hooter and both referees ready, end of match is also signified by a hooter. Hooter will not signify the end of a match if there is a dead-ball situation with a goal scoring opportunity, at the Umpire's discretion.



To ensure that we keep to central timing, if you are late for a match the following penalties will be incurred (Umpire's discretion)

- 0 seconds 1 minute late = 1 goal to the opposing team
- 1 min 1 second 2 minutes late = 2 goals

The team who concede these penalties will begin with the centre pass (as if a goal had been scored)

Knockout matches will have umpires time their pitch, the next matches competing teams must be on the pitch side ready to go as per schedule timings.

It is important to remember that this event is for the enjoyment of the participants so please refrain from challenging official's decisions.

In the event of an injury, the player's safety will be prioritised. If the player cannot be moved safely (discretion of Medical) and the match ends, the score at the time of the injury will be taken.

Scoring

Win = 5 points Score Draw = 2 points Scoreless Draw = 1 point

Please ensure that one coach or player from the winning team is responsible for collecting the scorecard from the umpire and returning it to the results booth for each competition.

If teams are level on points in the initial group phase they will separated in order of:

- 1) Head to Head record
- 2) Goal Difference
- 3) Goals Scored
- 4) Goals Conceded
- 5) Coin Toss!

1st & 2nd will qualify for the CUP competition

3RD & 4TH will qualify for the PLATE competition

If teams are level on points following the Cup group phase and it directly affects who plays in the final, the above list will apply except in place of a coin toss, there will be penalty shuffles at no.5.

Hockey rules & Officiating

Each match will be played under England Hockey's "In2Hockey" rules.

You must provide your own goalkeeping kit and safety equipment (shin pads, face masks, and gumshields) for all outfield players. Each team must also bring a set of bibs in case of a colour clash.

Results - Squad in Touch

ISA are now working alongside Squad in Touch to provide a results base for some of the ISA events. Squad in Touch have provided a results system for this event which can be found here: **TBC**

Schools which are using Squad In Touch can now add their team members, specify individual scores, performance marks as well as add their photos and match reports. They will be displayed on the tournament website automatically as well as on your public sports website. Parents and students will also see information in their dedicated area, via the web and mobile apps.



If you would like to join other schools who are excited with sports and come on board with Squad In Touch, please get in touch via contacting support@squadintouch.co.uk or simply create an account following this link - https://app.squadintouch.com/#register

External Hirers Information

Photographers

There will be no official photography company present on the day. Parents and carers of participants under the age of 18 who wish to take images are requested to focus on their own children as much as reasonably possible and to avoid including other children in images, particularly if those images are being shared with family and friends or through social media platforms.

Whilst it is acknowledged that parents/carers wish to celebrate the achievements of their own children when taking part in sporting events, it should be recognised and respected that other parents/carers may not wish for their child's image to be taken and shared in this way.

Cancellation Policy

Please understand that spaces for our events are limited. Many teams and individuals drop out of events at short notice, this significantly impacts on the experience of other participants. If you must cancel your space, we respectfully request at least 14 days' notice. This will allow us to offer your spot to another school. No shows, or places cancelled within 14 days of the event, will incur a fee of £150. (Only in exceptional circumstances might ISA consider waiving this penalty charge.)