



HOCKEY NOVA SCOTIA

MINOR COUNCIL

PLAY-OFF FORMAT

2022 – 2023

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HNS PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENTS - 2022-2023

U13 AAA	March 16-19, 2023	Atlantic Championship - March 30-April 2, 2023 (NFLD)
U15 AA	April 6 - 9, 2023	
U18 AA	April 7 - 9, 2023	

HNS Conference Championships with a Day of Champions [DOC]

U11-AA	Conference Champions by March 19, 2023	DOC April 1-2, 2023
U11-A	Conference Champions by March 19, 2023	DOC April 1-2, 2023
U11-B	Conference Champions by March 19, 2023	DOC April 1-2, 2023
U13-AA	Conference/League Champions by March 19, 2023	DOC April 1-2, 2023
U13-A	Conference Champions by March 19, 2023	DOC April 1-2, 2023
U13-B	Conference Champions by March 19, 2023	DOC April 1-2, 2023
U15-A	Conference Champions by March 19, 2023	DOC April 1-2, 2023
U15-B	Conference Champions by March 19, 2023	DOC April 1-2, 2023
U18-A	Conference Champions by March 19, 2023	DOC April 1 2, 2023
U18-B	Conference Champions by March 19, 2023	DOC April 1-2, 2023

League Champions

U11-C	Declared no later than March 26, 2023
U13-C	Declared no later than March 26, 2023
U15-C	Declared no later than March 26, 2023
U18-C	Declared no later than March 26, 2023

ALL DATES IN THIS DOCUMENT ARE DEADLINES THAT MUST BE MET



HNS - U13 AAA – U15 AA – U18 AA

Play-off Structure 2022-23

U13-AAA Provincial Tournament - Antigonish MHA March 16 -19, 2023

U13-AAA Playoff Winners February 25 - March 5, 2023

At the conclusion of the NSPWAAA League play, there will be a play-off round to determine teams who then advance to a Provincial Championship tournament. (Provincial host, and wildcard game losing team will not play in the play-off round)

Format as follows: Team seeding based on regular season schedule finish.
First place finisher is team 1 etc.

Wild card Game: Teams 15 and 16 will play a one game play-off to determine who advances to the play-off round.

Playoff Round: Series will be best 2 out of 3. Lower seed will host game 1. Higher seed will host games 2 and 3 if necessary. Each team winning their playoff round will advance to Provincials.

Game	Teams		
1	1vs14	Pool – A Winners	Pool – B Winners
2	2vs13	Games 1-3-5-7	Games 2-4-6-8 (Host)
3	3vs12		
4	4vs11		
5	5vs10		
6	6vs9		
7	7vs8		

The winning seven teams and a host will advance to the HNS Provincial Championship Tournament March 16-19, 2023

8 team format with two divisions of 4 teams each, all playing three games. Top 4 play a cross over for semi-finals.

1 Pool A VS 2 Pool B
1 Pool B VS 2 Pool A

Winners of both Pools advance to Championship Game with the highest seed team after tournament play getting home ice.

Second place finishers of both Pools play for the Bronze Medals with the higher seeded team after tournament play getting home ice.



U15-AA

Provincial Tournament – Glace Bay MHA

April 6 - 9, 2023

U15-AA

BY March 26, 2023

Mainland League
Central Minor League
Cape Breton League
HOST

2 teams advance
2 teams advance
2 teams advance
1 team
7 TEAMS

U18 AA

Provincial Tournament – TASA MHA

April 7 - 9, 2023

U18 AA

BY March 26, 2023

Central Minor League
Cape Breton
HOST

3 teams advance
1 teams advance
1 team
5 teams



HNS NORTH AND SOUTH CONFERENCE CHAMPIONS

ADVANCING TO THE DAY OF CHAMPIONS

U11 AA, A, B / U13 AA, A, B / U15 A, B / U18 A, B

PLEASE NOTE: The Conference championship is to be decided by March 19, 2023. The final is a one game sudden victory event, for the 2022-23 season the team to the West geographically will have home ice advantage.

U11 AA

<u>NORTH CONFERENCE</u>	<u>March 12, 2023</u>	<u>March 19, 2023</u>	<u>April 1-2, 2023</u>
- Scotia League North	----- Winner	----- Winner	----- DOC
- Cape Breton League	----- Winner		
<u>SOUTH CONFERENCE</u>	<u>March 12, 2023</u>	<u>March 19, 2023</u>	<u>April 1-2, 2023</u>
- Scotia League South	----- Winner	----- Winner	----- DOC
- Central Minor League	----- Winner		

U11 A

<u>NORTH CONFERENCE</u>	<u>March 12, 2023</u>	<u>March 19, 2023</u>	<u>April 1-2, 2023</u>
- Cape Breton League	----- Winner	----- Winner	----- DOC
- Scotia League North	----- Winner		
<u>SOUTH CONFERENCE</u>	<u>March 12, 2023</u>	<u>March 19, 2023</u>	<u>April 1-2, 2023</u>
- Central Minor League	----- Winner	----- Winner	----- DOC
- Scotia League South	----- Winner		



U11 B**NORTH CONFERENCE March 12, 2023 March 19, 2023 April 1-2, 2023**- Cape Breton League **No Teams**- Highland/Fundy **No Teams****SOUTH CONFERENCE March 12, 2023 March 19, 2023 April 1-2, 2023**- Central Minor League ----- Winner ----- DOC
Both League Winners Advance to DOC

- Scotia League ----- Winner

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Both League winners Advance to DOC

- Central Minor League ----- Winner

U13 A**NORTH CONFERENCE March 12, 2023 March 19, 2023 April 1-2, 2023**

- Cape Breton League ----- Winner ----- Winner ----- DOC

- Scotia North ----- Winner

SOUTH CONFERENCE March 12, 2023 March 19, 2023 April 1-2, 2023

- Central Minor League ----- Winner ----- Winner ----- DOC

- Scotia League South ----- Winner



U13 B

NORTH CONFERENCE	March 12, 2023	March 19, 2023	April 1-2, 2023
- Cape Breton League		----- Winner	----- DOC
- Highland/Fundy	No Teams		

SOUTH CONFERENCE	March 12, 2023	March 19, 2023	April 1-2, 2023
- Central Minor League	----- Winner		
- Scotia League South	----- Winner	----- Winner	----- DOC

U15 A

NORTH CONFERENCE	March 12, 2023	March 19, 2023	April 1-2, 2023
- Cape Breton League	----- Winner		
- Scotia North	----- Winner	----- Winner	----- DOC

SOUTH CONFERENCE	March 12, 2023	March 19, 2023	April 1-2, 2023
- Central Minor League	----- Winner		
- Scotia League South	----- Winner	----- Winner	----- DOC

U15 B [NON-CHECKING]

NORTH CONFERENCE	March 12, 2023	March 19, 2023	April 1-2, 2023
No Teams			

SOUTH CONFERENCE	March 12, 2023	March 19, 2023	April 1-2, 2023
- Scotia League		----- Winner	
Both League winners Advance to DOC			
- Central Minor League		----- Winner	----- DOC



HNSMC PLAY-OFF GAMES, SERIES and TOURNAMENTS

All HNSMC Play-off games, series and/or tournaments must be approved by the Regional Director(s) and/or the Conference Coordinator. A HNSMC representative will coordinate and oversee all HNS play-off games, series or tournaments.

The North and South Conference Play-off Finals shall be one game, sudden victory events if required, some Conference Champions may be league Champions and not require the sudden victory event, the final HNS Play-off format will be approved after final team Categorization in December 2022. For the 2022-23 hockey season the home ice advantage shall be granted to the teams to the **WEST**, geographically.

For all Conference finals where the WEST plays the EAST, the teams in the WEST must supply two ice times to the HNSMC Conference Coordinator who will pass on to the team in the EAST to choose one of these dates for the one game sudden victory event.

All scores must be reported to the HNSMC Representative after the conclusion of each game

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South Conference- mblinn@hockeynovascotia.ca

C LEVEL LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIPS

U11 C - U13 C - U15 C - U18 C

The C Level Championships are under the jurisdiction of the local MHA or the established league within an area or Region[s]. The MHAs and Leagues are encouraged to provide a positive experience for all players with consideration being given to the development of player skills and the promotion of player self- esteem.

The costs of the game and alternate choices for players and parents of players playing at the C level must be taken into consideration when this level of minor hockey is being designed within each Association or Region.

HNS will take measures to assist each MHA in DEVELOPING Programs and assisting coaches at these COMMUNITY levels.

