

LA KINGS VALLEY ICE CENTER 5v5 RULES AND UPDATES

Starting April 4th, 2023, LA Kings Valley Ice Center will implement these new rules and policies to help players and teams understand certain criteria required to play at the rink.

HOW TO PLAY AT LA KINGS VALLEY ICE CENTER

Everyone is welcome to play Adult Hockey at LA Kings Valley Ice Center as long as they are 18 years of age or older. In order to join a team and play, players must do the following:

1. Go to our website www.lakingsvalleyicecenter.com and create a login and password
2. Create a player profile
3. Purchase a USA Hockey Membership by going to www.usahockey.com*
4. MUST have playercard in order to scan at check in. If you do not have it, you will not be able to play.

***LA Kings Valley Ice Center is a USA Hockey-sanctioned rink. No one will be allowed to take the ice without a current and valid membership.**

HOW TO JOIN A TEAM AT LA KINGS VALLEY ICE CENTER

After players have created a login, password, player profile and purchase a USA Hockey Membership, players may join a team. At the beginning of each season, players have 3 ways of signing up for a team.

1. Pay in full
2. Per Game
3. Per Game Goalies

For Option 1, players can go to our website and sign up directly with the team and pay.

For Per Game Players, players can pay at the front counter the night of their game or ahead of time by going to the website and clicking on "Sub Player" and paying through PayPal.

PLAYERS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO TAKE THE ICE WITHOUT ALL OF THE ABOVE BEING COMPLETED – NO EXCEPTIONS.

LEAGUE RULES

Seasons are 15 weeks in length with 1-3 rounds of single elimination playoffs depending on the size of the division.

TEAM RULES

All players **must** have a jersey with a legible number on the back that corresponds to their name on the sign-in sheet and scoresheet. No number, no stats. No exceptions.

Teammates may **NOT** wear the same number. Please confer with your team and decide who is wearing what number and make sure there are no duplicates. Players who wear the same number will not be counted in the stats and all goals and assists will be counted as “non-roster” players.

Teammates who are wearing the same number will receive a warning by the scorekeeper or hockey director. If this situation is not rectified by the next time the players play together, the Team Manager will receive a 10-minute misconduct and must serve that penalty the first 10 minutes of the game.

TEAM PAY RULES

Team Rosters will be “locked” after Week 3. Players on the computerized roster will be considered permanently on the team.

Players who join or substitute for said team after Week 3 will be placed on the sub-player sheet and computerized roster and their games played will then be counted. After a substitute plays 5 games for the team, they will be moved to the permanent roster portion and become playoff eligible.

Players who substitute after Week 11 will not be playoff eligible.

Players must play a minimum of 5 games to be eligible for playoffs on a team pay team.

OUTSIDE SUBSTITUTE PLAYERS

“Outside” substitute players must be approved by the hockey director at least 3 hours prior to game time.

LA Kings Valley Ice Center welcomes all players from “outside” the rink family to play at our facility. When inviting players to join your team on a “substitute player” basis, they must complete the entire registration process noted above under “How to Play at LA Kings Valley Ice Center” and either pay at the counter or ahead of time through PayPal.

Outside Emergency Goalies may play for free upon approval of league management as long as they have a valid USA Hockey membership.

INTER AND INTRA-LEAGUE SUBSTITUTES

Inter and Intra-league players may substitute for a team no more than 2 levels below their “core team.” All players may play above their “core team” level. These subs must still be approved by the hockey director ahead of time. **YOU MAY NOT ASSUME YOU CAN SUB AND JUMP BACK ON THE ICE AFTER THE ORIGINAL GAME PLAYED. YOU MUST TELL THE HOCKEY DIRECTOR OR FRONT DESK STAFF.** If you are found to be doing this, you are stealing. You will be either charged the sub fee, or your account will have a balance for the next time you skate. If it becomes a recurring issue, league and rink management will handle accordingly.

SUB FEES – EXISTING PLAYERS

A player who is designated as having “Paid in Full” for another “active” team in the league may substitute for other teams in the league for a discounted per game payment. Paid in Full goalies may substitute for other teams for free. “Active” is defined as any team that is currently in season.

Players **MUST** notify the front counter staff of their “core team.” Then players will notify the front counter staff of the team they wish to substitute for. This will be verified and the front counter staff will add the player to the new team they are substituting for. Then the player will handwrite their name and jersey number on the sub sign-in sheet, sign the sign-in sheet and pay the fee.

SUBSTITUTE PLAYERS AND GAME FORFEITS

The Hockey Director at LA Kings Valley Ice Center will do their best to help find substitute players for your teams but teams and team captains **MUST** take an active role in finding substitutes for their team if they are going to be short. The hockey director needs at least 24 hours notice in order to help.

If a team is forced to forfeit due to lack of players, that team will receive a loss in the standings and no "games missed" credits will be honored for either team. This applies to "Paid in Full" or "Payment Plan" players only.

If a "Per Game" player pays ahead of time, that payment will be applied to the next game that player plays.

A forfeit does not count as a game played.

PLAYOFF ELIGIBILITY

Team Pay Teams: All players need to play a 5 game minimum

Paid in Full/Payment Plan Players: All of these players are automatically eligible for the playoffs regardless of the number of games played. Playoffs and championship games are free.

Per Game Players: Per game players must play a minimum of 5 games to be eligible for the playoffs. Also need to pay for each playoff/championship game.

Per game players who have played 5 or more games but are behind on their payments will not be eligible for playoffs until their account has been settled and all missing payments have been made.

PER GAME PLAYER MISSED PAYMENTS

The scan-ins and payments are updated after each game played by the hockey director. It is noted how many Games Played/Paid. If it is discovered that a player has played more games than paid, players will need to pay the difference the next week **prior** to taking the ice. This notation will be documented for the player and front counter staff to note. **No Exceptions.** You will not be able to take the ice until the payment is settled.

UPDATES

SUBS: You need to clear them with the hockey director before the game. If not done so, they will be ineligible to play no matter who they are.

STOP TIME: Staying as is. Stop at/under 1 minute in 1st, stop at/under 1 minute in 2nd, and stop at/under 3 minutes within 3 goals in 3rd.

SIGN IN: MUST have a playercard in order to scan at check in. If you do not have it, you will not be able to play. Team captains need to deliver this message to their team.

PlayerCard: Create/Log-in to daysmart. Top right, click on the "person" and go to player cards. Use the barcode that comes up. Scan at front counter.

Zero tolerance *Fighting*-Minimum one game suspension per USA Hockey, will also be reviewed by league management. -Repeat offenders will be reviewed by the league to determine expulsion from all LAKVIC hockey programs. Also note, the clock will not be stopped at any time while players are engaging.

Zero tolerance *Abuse of Officials* Verbal abuse to officials/league administrators/scorekeepers will result in a bench minor, misconduct, game misconduct, in accordance with USAH rule 601 as well as suspensions at the discretion of league management.

Excessive penalties- Four (4) penalties in a game will result in automatic ejection from that game.

Penalty Minute Cap: Players who receive a total of 45 penalty minutes in one, 15 game season, will be suspended per league director. Playoffs will be 20 minutes.