

ONTARIO KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

2018-19 Hockey Challenge Information Package



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OVERVIEW

The Knights of Columbus Hockey Challenge is a competition designed for players to demonstrate their shooting skills in scoring hockey goals. The competition is open to all children ages 12-17. Children under 12 are welcome but compete at the age 12 level. Each player will be allowed 15 shots at the goal from the shot line. Winners progress to the district, regional and state. This can be promoted through schools, Columbian Squires' Circles and Catholic Youth Organizations, and Special Olympic Chapters hence giving us an opportunity to introduce our Order into a large community.

This is currently not a Knights of Columbus Supreme Youth Program thus no additional support material is currently available. The net will be divided into five scoring zones. The upper corners of the goal will be designated as 20 point zones. The lower corners will be designated as 10 point zones and the "Five hole" is a five point zone. See instructions later in the guide on how to construct a score board with the five scoring zones. Each participant will be given 15 shots. Points will be awarded depending upon the area of the scoring zones through which the puck or ball passes. Shot violations will include stepping on or over the shot line prior to the shot. Any contact made with the puck/ball counts as a shot. Scorers should record shots made and missed according to the instructions on the entry form/score sheet. All scores should be verified before the next contestant is allowed to shoot. Judges and scorers are given final authority in verifying all scores and violations.

The Ontario Knights of Columbus Hockey Challenge is open to all youth in your community, ages 12-17. Age eligibility is determined by the age of the contestant as of 1 January in the competition fraternal year. (1 Jan 2019 for 18-19 Fraternal Year) Proof of age is required.

Entry Form: The entry form is included later in this guide. It must be fully completed in order to ensure youth and parental consent, and to be eligible for State level awards. Incomplete forms should be considered grounds for disqualification.

Participation Form: Councils are requested to complete and submit the Participation Form found later in this guide, in order that Ontario State can access the feasibility of continuing this competition, working with other Canadian Jurisdictions for a Canadian Award and perhaps an eventual International level competition.

Equipment.

To ensure maximum access to this competition at the council level, this may be done, on ice, in a gym, parking lot or where ever youth can gather. Ice hockey sticks, street hockey sticks, or gym floor hockey sticks may be used. Ice hockey puck, street hockey puck or gym floor hockey puck or ball may be used. The only stipulation is that everyone competing at the council level has the same conditions and equipment in order to ensure a fair competition. The scoring board can be placed in front of an actual hockey net, or simply stood against the wall. For ease of transportation it is suggested that the scoring board be hinged in the middle. The shot line will be 3 metres from the front of the scoring board. Although the youth may shoot from anywhere along the shot line they may not cross the line in the act of shooting. The stick may cross the line as part of the follow through but the puck or ball must have already been struck.

For the District and Regional competitions. The same equipment and conditions must be available for all participants although these may be different from the council level competition.

Categories.

This is a uni-gender activity. Boys, Girls and those who identify as Gender X (which is legal in Ontario) will compete together. A separate Special Olympian Category may be considered by the Council, District and Regional Chairman but will remain unisex.

The age categories are 13 and under, 14-15, and 16-17. If a council wishes to conduct competitions at lower ages they are welcome to do so for local prize consideration but these youth will be considered part of age "13 and under" for District and higher level competition awards.

Insurance. Insurance and liability consideration should be accessed in the same manner as competitions for BBFT, Soccer events or other youth events.

SUGGEST TIME FRAMES

The State deadline to receive entries is 11:59PM 30 April 2019. Entries can be mailed, hand delivered or scanned and e-mailed but must reach the State Chairman by the deadline. Contact information is available on this document cover page.

State Winner Cross Referral. Winning entries will be cross referenced with council officer information to ensure that a valid Safe environment certification is in force for the Council sponsoring the youth. Council failings will result in entry disqualification. This should be happening at all levels of review.

Each Regional Level is responsible to establish a deadline that permits all Districts and Councils within in their jurisdiction to complete the competition. If in doubt 10 April 2019 is recommended in order to permit transmission of winning entries to the State Chairman. Be certain to clearly communicate your deadline that permits all councils to participate.

District Level. District Deputies are responsible to establish a deadline that permits all Councils to complete their competitions in accordance with local conditions. Recommend not later than end March.

Council Level. Grand Knight shall ensure a certified safe environment leader is present for all council competitions. Council to work with the schools, hockey clubs, and other youth organizations to provide maximum opportunity for youth in your area to participate.

Responsibilities

1) Council Level:

Organize and host the events. Deadline for council events should be established in coordination with the District Deputy but not later than end March 2019.

Ensure a certified safe environment Family or Community Director is present for all council competitions. Complete the Hockey Participation Report form, (include your school competitions numbers with council numbers) This should be submitted immediately following the close of council competition

2) District Level:

District Deputies to host their Hockey Competition not later than **10 April 2019** but may be much earlier depending on the council completion dates.

Coordinate with your Councils well in advance and clearly establish the date, time and place of the District Competition.

District Deputies will ensure a a certified safe environment youth leader is present from at least one participating council

2) District Level: (continued)

Please ensure all the Participant forms submitted have the correct information before these forms are given to the Regional Chairmen - their contact information can be obtained from the State Chairman. (VOLUNTEERS WELCOME)

3) Regional Level

The Regional Hockey Competitions should be completed by **28 April 2019** but may be much earlier depending on the district completion dates.

Coordinate with your District Deputies well in advance and clearly establish the date, time and place of the Regional Competition.

Regional Hockey Chairmen should submit their winning participation forms to the State Hockey Chairman not later than **11:59PM 30 April 2019** , so that the Ontario State Hockey Winners can be determined.

Ontario State Hockey Winners will be announced mid May with award presentation to follow.

Each participant must have the Hockey Challenge Entry form and the information must include the individual's name, address, entrant signature, parent name and signature or witness, the affiliated Council Number and GK, in addition to the participant's score at each level

LACK of JURISDICTIONAL SUPPORT

It is desirable that all Regions will have a willing Knight eager to be the Regional Hockey Chairman and is conducting either a regional competition or at minimum is receiving all District forms and will determine by paper review a single entry in each category to be selected to represent the region at the State level competition. Should no chairman exist DDs can submit to State Chair for State level competition consideration. We will not leave the youth disadvantaged due to a lack of a single Knight in a region being unwilling to act as Regional Chair. This circumstance must be identified well in advance (by end December) and with prior coordination and approval by the State Hockey Chairman,

the District Deputy will authorized to proceed with a District competition and then be permitted to send the entries direct to the State Chairman but not later than 10 April 2019

Knowing that this document may be posted on various websites, the personal contact information of the Regional Hockey Chairmen has purposely not been included on the table Page 5.

Knights willing to serve as Regional Chairmen are requested to contact the State Chairman.

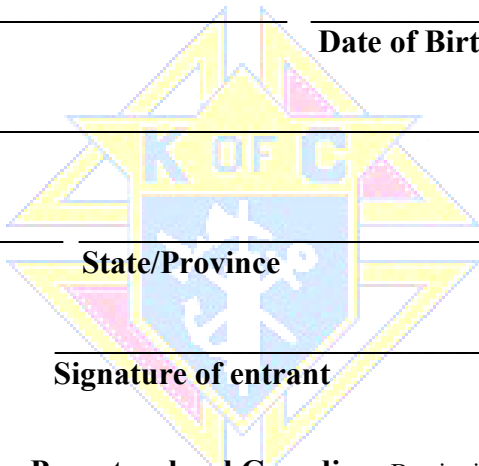
HOCKEY CHALLENGE REGIONS		
REGION	AREA	INCLUDES DISTRICTS
1	Windsor - Chatham	10, 16, 21, 23, 39, 51, 76, 88, 115
2A	St Catherines Niagara	6, 7, 8, 26, 60, 62, 64, 67, 83, 100, 109, 113
2B	Kitchener—Owen Sound	28, 35, 55, 69, 105
3	East GTA	5, 36, 63, 65, 70, 77, 87, 90, 95, 107, 108, 111
4A	North GTA and Simcoe	19, 33, 50, 86
4B	North and West GTA	24, 27, 43, 53, 89, 91, 94, 96, 99, 102, 106, 110, 114
5	Kingston Area	3, 20, 30, 57, 73, 93
6	North Bay, Parry Sound and Muskoka	25, 47, 56, 59
7	Timmins Area	11, 18, 52, 71
8	Thunder Bay and Northern Lake Superior	14, 45, 112
9	West North West Thunder Bay	15, 37
10	Greater Sudbury	13, 41, 74, 80
11	Greater Ottawa and Pembroke	1, 2, 17, 42, 44, 54, 58, 66, 78, 79, 85, 92, 98, 101
12	London Sarnia	9, 22, 31, 40, 49, 61, 68, 72, 84, 104
13	Cornwall	32, 75, 81
14	Hearst	12, 46
15	Peterborough	4, 29, 48, 82, 97
16	Greater Sault Ste Marie	34, 38

Hockey Challenge regions are similar to BBFT and Soccer region alignment. The ability to host a regional event brings the positive advantage of getting youth and knights together in sport, camaraderie and unity. Ideally no youth should have to travel more than 90 minutes one way to attend a regional event. Provincial geography does not permit that in many areas. Should a particular District Deputy have a positive reason to attend the event in an adjoining region, please contact Hockey Chairman for approval. Should a particular Region chairman believe it is better to host two or three sub region events that is very possible, scores will need to be accumulated for a single Regional Award. Should attending a regional event be simply impossible the DD may submit scores for State consideration.

ONTARIO HOCKEY CHALLENGE REGISTRATION.SCORING SHEET
(this form is used throughout the council, District and Region competition)

Section 1: to be completed by the participant AGE AS OF 1 JANUARY

Name of Entrant	Date of Birth	
Street Address		
City	State/Province	Postal Code
Telephone	Signature of entrant	



Section 2: to be completed by Parent or legal Guardian. By signing below the undersigned requests and approves of the entrant's registration and participation in the Knights of Columbus Hockey Challenge (the contest). In consideration for the entrant's participation in the contest, the undersigned (1) acknowledges that the entrant's participation will be at the sole risk of the entrant and the undersigned (2) agrees to release, indemnify and the Knights of Columbus Ontario Council and its subordinate units, offers members and employees harmless from any and all demands, claims, or causes of action arising from or relating to the entrant's participation in the contest. The undersigned also agree to allow representative Knights of Columbus units to take and publish photographs or videos of the entrant during the contest. The entrant may compete in only one council level competition.

Parent or Guardian (Print)	Parent or Guardian (Signature)	date signed
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Scoring Instructions: Each contestant will be allowed 15 consecutive shots
(Tie breaker in three shots sessions as needed)

Competition	Shot Record	Tie-Breaker as needed	Total
Council	Missed <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	5 pts <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	10 pts <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	20 pts <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Council # _____ Chairman: _____ <div style="text-align: center;">Print and Sign</div>			
District	Missed <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	5 pts <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	10 pts <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	20 pts <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
District # _____ Chairman: _____ <div style="text-align: center;">Print and Sign</div>			
Regional	Missed <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	5 pts <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	10 pts <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	20 pts <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Region# _____ Chairman: _____ <div style="text-align: center;">Print and Sign</div>			

ONTARIO HOCKEY CHALLENGE PARTICIPATION SURVEY

(this form is used by participating councils and submitted following the Council events but not later than 10 April 2019) (the details are more important than the form, feel welcome to submit the information by email to the State Hockey Chairman)

Council # _____ Location: _____

13 and Under	14 and 15	16 and 17	Total
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Certified Safe Environment Knight is: _____

submitted on behalf of the Grand Knight by: _____

Suggestions for improvement (this is the first year of hopefully many more. Your suggestion are welcome to improve the program. Should other provinces adopt this challenge their may be future consideration for a Canadian Award or even an international award. But participation matters by youth and by Knights.

THE SCORING BOARD

Recommend a minimum 5/8th inch thick board, for durability
(or metric equivalents)

Size 6 feet 6 inches wide by 4 feet high

Allow a 2 inch border at the top edge.

Allow a 3 inch border at each side.

The four pie shaped corner opening are based on a one foot radius

The five hole is 3 inches high, 12 inches wide.

If board is hinged in the centre it will make it much easier to transport.

Your local council handyman may have better methods but and material but simply ensure that the scoring zones are consistent. The craftsmen among you may want to attach nets to the back of each scoring zone... Can be set in front of a regulation net or simply next to a wall.

The puck/ball must pass completely through opening to count as a goal.

Upper corners count 20 points, lower corners count 10 points, Five hole is 5 points.

