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**March 9 - April 7, 2012**

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Pepsi Hockey Invitational  
c/o Holiday Twin Rinks  
3465 Broadway  
Cheektowaga, NY 14227



**Pepsi Hockey Invitational**  
Western New York's  
Premier Youth Hockey Tournament

# 2012

BUFFALO, NY



We at Holiday and Leisure Rinks, along with the Pepsi Cola Company, are proud to invite your organization or team to the 36th Annual Pepsi Hockey Invitational Tournament. Come and experience one of North America's most exciting amateur hockey events! This year more than 265 teams from the US and Canada will compete for championships between March 9 and April 7, 2012. We sincerely hope you and your team can make plans to be part of this special event!



## BUFFALO SABRES GAMES:

Attend a Buffalo Sabres Game during your tourney weekend. Contact 1-888-GO-SABRES or visit [www.sabres.com](http://www.sabres.com). If you can arrange tickets just advise us and we *will* schedule your tournament games so you can attend the Sabres game.

### 2012 Sabres Home Game Schedule:

- Saturday, March 24th vs. Minnesota
- Friday, March 30th vs. Pittsburgh

## TOURNAMENT FEATURES

- 3 Game minimum. Possibility of 4 games. (*Weeks 4 & 5 will have semi-finals*)
- Special PEPSI **Championship Banners** to all winning teams.
- Custom PEPSI **Championship Medals** to Winners and Finalists!
- **Game Star** Awards for every game.
- Discount Rates at luxury hotels only minutes away, all with indoor pools!
- **FREE** Tournament Program and Souvenir Key Chain
- Great Shopping at The Walden Galleria Mall, WNY's largest Mall ...only 2 minutes away!.
- Friday Night Hospitality Parties at the Millenium Hotel for all parents, coaches and friends. And much, much more!!
- Custom Tournament Apparel and Tourney Action Photos will be available on-site!

## GENERAL INFORMATION

**WHERE:** The tournament will be played in Buffalo, New York at the HOLIDAY TWIN RINKS and LEISURE RINKS. Both facilities have twin ice surfaces with full service hockey shops and concessions.

**WEB SITE/EMAIL ADDRESS:** Please be sure to visit us at [holidayrinks.com](http://holidayrinks.com) for current Pepsi Tournament information. You can access our complete tournament format and rules as well as retrieve all tournament game schedules and results. You can also register your team on-line by paying a \$250.00 deposit at our secure server. Any questions you have may be sent to [markg@holidayrinks.com](mailto:markg@holidayrinks.com)

**FORMAT:** All teams will play 3 preliminary games. Divisions shall consist of 6 to 8 teams whenever possible. The top 2 point leaders in each division will play for the Championship. Tournaments will begin at approximately 1:00pm Friday and Championship Games will be concluded by approximately 6:00pm Sunday.

**POINT SYSTEM:** 2 points for win, 1 point for tie, 0 points for loss. Plus 1 point for each period won and 1/2 point for each period tied. (*total of 5 points per game*).

**SANCTIONED TOURNAMENT:** All players and teams must be recognized by the national bodies of USA Hockey or Canada (CHA). \*Travel permits will be required from all Canadian teams. **Tournament Sanction # BUFPEP-12.**

**GAME FORMAT:** Games will be 1-1/4 to 1-1/2 hour in duration depending on age group. All games will be played to completion - no curfews.

**RULES:** USA Hockey rules will govern all tournament play. We will advise you of local rules. All teams must be prepared to play on Friday of each weekend by 1pm. The tournament scheduling committee will do its best to honor any special requests.

**NOTE:** see [holidayrinks.com](http://holidayrinks.com) for **Body-Checking rules**

# HOTEL PROCEDURES

**RESERVATION PROCEDURE:** All rooms must be reserved through the Pepsi Tournament. You can contact Mark Grundtisch @ Holiday Rinks M-F 10:00am - 4:00pm @ 716-685-3660 or by email [markg@holidayrinks.com](mailto:markg@holidayrinks.com) to set up rooms in advance. Or when completing your application be sure to list at least 6 hotel choices in order of preference. After the application is received and your team has been accepted you will receive a Team hotel rooming list to complete and return. All rooms must be guaranteed with a Credit Card. Some hotels require individual card numbers. These numbers are used to hold the rooms only. You may choose your own method of payment upon arrival. However, credit cards may be charged if unused rooms are not cancelled.

**CANCELLATION POLICY:** Up to 3 rooms may be cancelled anytime up to 48 hours prior to arrival. Each hotel on an individual basis will deal with any cancellations involving more than 3 rooms (These rooms may be charged).

**CHECK IN TIME:** Check in time is 3:00 pm at most Hotels. Due to the number of teams that may be arriving at the same time please allow extra time for check in.

**CHECK OUT TIME:** Check out time is 12:00 pm at most hotels. Teams wishing a later check out must make arrangements with the individual hotel.

**HOSPITALITY ROOMS:** The tournament cannot arrange or guarantee Hospitality Rooms for individual teams. If you wish to arrange a Hospitality Room please call the Hotel directly.

# TOURNAMENT HOTELS

The following Hotel properties have been associated with the Pepsi Tournament for a number of years. Please feel free to browse their websites for further information (where underlined). Please note that all teams must book accommodations through the Pepsi Tournament (Call Mark @ 716-685-3660) or email [markg@holidayrinks.com](mailto:markg@holidayrinks.com) to receive the Pepsi Rate!

*Please Note: Hotels do not allow Hockey Sticks of any size in their facilities*

**MILLENNIUM HOTEL** - The newly remodeled Millennium hotel is the Headquarters hotel of the Pepsi Hockey tournament and is located only 3 minutes from Holiday Twin Rinks and immediately adjacent to the spectacular Galleria Shopping mall. The Millennium Hotel provides FREE parking for all guests along with a courtyard indoor pool, Walden's Restaurant and Twigs Lounge. **Pepsi Rate \$112.00**

*Note: the Millennium Hotel is a NON-Smoking Property.*

**HOMWOOD SUITES AIRPORT\*** All Suite hotel is located 2.5 miles from Holiday Twin Rinks and less than 1 mile from the Buffalo Niagara Int'l Airport. Suites feature full kitchens with range top, fridge, dishwasher, microwave and more. Take advantage of our Complimentary Suite Start™ Hot Breakfast each morning, an indoor heated pool & whirlpool, fitness facilities, free parking for hotel guests, and complimentary high-speed Internet access. These rooms are King bed with a Full-Size Pullout. **Pepsi Rate \$105.00**

**HOMWOOD SUITES AMHERST\*** - All Suite hotel is located 15 minutes from Holiday Twin Rinks and is centrally located near restaurants and shopping. All Suites feature King bed in the sleeping room and pull-out sofa in the sitting room, along with a full kitchen, fridge, dishwasher and microwave. Take advantage of our Complimentary Suite Start™ Hot Breakfast each morning, an indoor heated pool & whirlpool, fitness facilities, free parking for hotel guests, and complimentary high-speed Internet access. These rooms are King bed with a Full-Size Pullout. **Pepsi Rate \$105.00**

**BUFFALO MARRIOTT** - Located 15 minutes from Holiday Twin Rinks, the Marriott offers FREE parking, the NEW Blue Fire Grille, heated indoor/outdoor pool, health club, sauna, whirlpool and a game room. In room amenities include coffee makers, ironing board, hairdryers and pay per view movies. **Pepsi Rate \$109.00**

**RESIDENCE INN BY MARRIOTT** - All suite hotel, less than 2 miles from Holiday Twin Rinks. Adjacent to the Walden Galleria Mall, easy access to the I-90 and minutes away from Niagara Falls. Our newly renovated suites offer a pull out sofa in the separate living area and a king or queen bed in the sleeping area, with a fully equipped kitchens with refrigerator, microwave, cook top, dishwasher and much more! Complimentary hot breakfast buffet, indoor pool, heated spa, fitness center, Sport Court and free parking and wireless internet for hotel guests. **Pepsi Rate \$109.00**

**HILTON GARDEN INN BUFFALO AIRPORT** - Buffalo Airport - Convenient location only 5 minutes from Holiday Twin Rink and near 2 major malls. Our guestrooms are equipped with a microwave and refrigerator. Hotel features an indoor heated pool and whirlpool along with a full service restaurant and lounge that is available for breakfast, lunch and dinner. (Not all rooms are dbl/dbl. Some may have a King bed with single pullout). Free onsite parking. **Pepsi Rate \$102.00**

**COMFORT SUITES\*** - Located only 5 minutes from Holiday Twin Rinks. These large rooms include living and sleeping areas along with a refrigerator, microwave, coffee maker and in-room movies and Nintendo. Enjoy the indoor pool, whirlpool & fitness center. Room rate includes Continental breakfast & FREE parking. **Pepsi Rate \$95.00**

**HAMPTON INN - AIRPORT\*** - Located less than 2 miles from Holiday Twin Rinks and directly across from the Walden Galleria Mall. Enjoy our complimentary On the House™ hot breakfast, indoor heated pool & whirlpool, fitness room, free parking for hotel guests, and complimentary high-speed Internet access. Newly renovated! **Pepsi Rate \$95.00**

**FAIRFIELD INN & SUITES by Marriott\*** - Brand new hotel located only 5 minutes from Holiday Twin Rinks. Indoor heated pool and whirlpool. Complimentary deluxe continental breakfast. Free onsite parking. Some rooms may be King beds with Full Size Pullout. **Pepsi Rate \$95.00**

**HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS\*** - Located just 5 minutes from Holiday Twin Rinks. The Holiday Inn Express offers an indoor heated pool, fitness center, game room and complimentary continental breakfast bar. All rooms feature 2 Queen beds. The hotel has FREE parking. **Pepsi Rate \$94.00**

*\* Hotel includes complimentary breakfast*

# SPECIAL NOTES

**FREE ENTRY:** The tournament entry fee is waived for any team traveling more than 600 miles to attend. (Distance from Home Arena to Holiday Twin Rinks)

**TOURNAMENT PRACTICE PROGRAM:** Each registered team that has paid in full is eligible for up to 3 ice sessions at the discount rate of \$140.00 pr hr, if available. Call Paul Grundtisch at (716) 675-8992 or e-mail [paulg@holidayrinks.com](mailto:paulg@holidayrinks.com) for info.

**FAX NUMBER & E-MAIL:** Team rosters or hotel rooming lists may be sent to our Tournament Fax# at (716) 685-9684 or e-mail to [markg@holidayrinks.com](mailto:markg@holidayrinks.com).

**REFUNDS:** Any team withdrawing within 4 weeks of the tournament will not receive a refund unless a full payment replacement team can be found. If a team withdraws any time prior to the 4 week deadline, then a full refund less 30% administrative cost will be issued.

**Note: The Pepsi Tourney has a Small Weekend Gate Fee for Adults.**

# TOURNAMENT COST

Little NHL	Mite/Novice (Can. Mixed Novice)	Squirt (Can. Mixed Atom)	Pee Wee	Bantam
(2004 / 2005)	(2003/2004)	(2001/2002)	(1999/2000)	(1997/1998)
<b>\$660</b>	<b>\$695</b>	<b>\$695</b>	<b>\$725</b>	<b>\$775</b>

– All prices are in U.S. Funds – *Note: The Pepsi Tourney has a Small Weekend Gate Fee for Adults.*

# REGISTRATION INFORMATION

## Pick Your Weekend!

**March 9 - 11, 2012 • Regular House League Teams: Mite/Novice thru Bantam ages.** These teams are strictly House League teams. There will be separate divisions for "A" (more experienced) House League teams and "B" (less experienced) House League teams in each age level. **No Travel, Select or "Tryout" teams allowed.**

**March 16 - 18, 2012 • House "Select" Teams: Mite/Novice thru Pee Wee ages.** These teams are comprised of "All-Star" or "Selected" house players. **Plus "Little N.H.L. Division:** This special category is for players aged **6 & under (2005) and 7 & under (2004)**. The Little NHL teams will be House Select, U.S. "A" & "AA" level and Canadian Tyke Teams.

**March 23 - 25, 2012 • Regular House League Teams: Mite/Novice thru Bantam ages.** These teams are strictly House League teams. here will be separate divisions for "A" (more experienced) House League teams and "B" (less experienced) House League teams in each age level. (Same as March 11-13). **No Travel, Select or "Tryout" teams allowed.**

**March 30 - April 1, 2012 • House "Select" Teams: Mite/Novice thru Bantam ages.** These teams are comprised of "All-Star" or "Selected" house players. This weekend will feature 2 separate divisions within each age group. We will have "younger" division for Minor and younger Mixed-aged teams and an "older" division for Major and older Mixed-aged teams. **We will play Semi-Finals this week. Possibility of 5 games.**

**April 5 - 7, 2012 • US "A" and Canadian "AE" Travel or "Hub" Teams: Mite/Novice thru Bantam ages.** These travel teams would be considered 2nd or 3rd level travel teams. They would include some US Tier II & stronger US Tier III teams. As well as Canadian "AE" & "HUB" teams. **We will play Semi-Finals this week. There is a possibility of 5 games this weekend.**

For more details concerning these classifications, go to [holidayrinks.com](http://holidayrinks.com).

# ADMISSION & PLACEMENT

The Pepsi Tournament reserves the right to place teams in a division which we feel they will be most competitive. Since classifications and skill levels are not standard, and vary between locations and regions, it is necessary to sometimes place teams in divisions that they may not be designated for. Matching from one region of the country to another is a difficult but not impossible task. We will evaluate all information we receive from a team on an individual basis and will enter teams in what we feel is the appropriate division.



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# TEAM INFORMATION

Team Name \_\_\_\_\_

Coach \_\_\_\_\_

Contact \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ St/Prov \_\_\_\_\_ Zip/Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

Tel # (Day) \_\_\_\_\_ Fax # \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

List the Number of Players by Year of Birth (i.e. Yr '01 # 8 , Yr '02 # 9 etc)

Yr \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_ Yr \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_

Teams must be registered with USA Hockey or their governing body in Canada.  
All teams will be required to submit a **certified roster** prior to tournament.

## REGISTRATION (SELECT ONE FROM EACH SECTION)

### SELECT WEEKEND (CHECK ONE ONLY)

MAR 9-11 "Regular" House	MAR. 16-18 "Select" House & Little NHL	MAR. 23-25 "Regular" House	MAR. 30-APR 1 "Select" House	APRIL 5-7 US "A" / "B" Travel Canadian "AE"

### SELECT AGE LEVEL (CHECK ONE ONLY)

Little NHL 2005	Little NHL 2004	Mite/Novice 2003/2004	Squirt/Atom 2001/2002	Pee Wee 1999/2000	Bantam 1997/1998

### SELECT SKILL LEVEL (CHECK ONE ONLY)

House "A" (more exp.)	House "B" (less exp.)	House "Select"	U.S. "B" Travel	U.S. "A" Travel	Canadian "AE"

## HOTEL CHOICES

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_ 7. \_\_\_\_\_  
 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 5. \_\_\_\_\_ 8. \_\_\_\_\_  
 3. \_\_\_\_\_ 6. \_\_\_\_\_ Est. # of Rooms required \_\_\_\_\_

### OUT OF TOWN TEAMS PLEASE BE SURE TO RANK AT LEAST 6 HOTEL CHOICES WITH APPLICATION

Teams may register by completing the registration form and sending with full payment or a \$250 non-refundable deposit. Balance of payment is due 45 days prior to your tournament start date.

Detach and mail this application form to: PEPSI HOCKEY c/o Holiday Twin Rinks, 3465 Broadway Buffalo, NY 14227 or register on-line @ [www.holidayrinks.com](http://www.holidayrinks.com). Make Check or Money Order payable to Holiday Twin Rinks NOTE! Canadian teams must submit US Money Order. We cannot accept Canadian Checks.

For tournament questions call Mark Grundtisch or Jeff Dietrich @ 716-685-3660 Monday-Friday 10:00 am - 4:00 pm or e-mail [markg@holidayrinks.com](mailto:markg@holidayrinks.com) or [jdietrich@holidayrinks.com](mailto:jdietrich@holidayrinks.com).

- DID YOU REMEMBER TO:**
- Complete the entire Application and enclose your fee?
  - Include a copy of your Official team roster (USA Hockey or CHA)? (must be stamped or signed by Registrar)
  - Include at least 6 Hotel Choices? (for out of town teams only)