**<u>DESCRIPTION:</u>** This prestigious event is sanctioned by USARS, America's National Governing Body for Inline Hockey and the Amateur Athletic Union of the United States, Inc. The 2010 Junior Women World Cup is sanctioned by FIRS.

**LOCATION:** Huntington Beach Inline 5555 McFadden Avenue Huntington Beach, CA 92649

**COMPETITION: 5 Game Guarantee.** All teams will play a minimum of five games but many will play six or more.

**LEVELS: Elite (AAA):** Three pick-up players allowed. All teams advance to the bracketed playoffs after four pool games. **(AA):** Frozen roster. All athletes must have played to be eligible for their team roster out of a specific regional or qualifier. There will be two levels of play in the 10U-12U-14U & 16U Boys (AA) divisions. After pool play, all teams advance to the bracketed playoffs. Example: 24 teams enter the 16U AA Division. All teams receive four pool games. The Top 12 seeds advance to Tier One and seeds 13-24 advance to the Tier Two bracketed playoffs.

(A): The roster is frozen at an AAU sanctioned event or from a sanctioned league. After pool play, all teams advance to the bracketed playoffs. It is the same playoff format as the AA Division above.

**Special Note:** 8U division. All teams will be seeded for championship play. After pool play the teams will be split into bracketed playoff tiers, based on the number of teams entered. Example: 12 8u teams enter and  $1^{st}$ - $4^{th}$  seeds play in Tier I,  $5^{th}$ - $8^{th}$  seeds play in Tier II, and  $9^{th}$ - $12^{th}$  seeds play in Tier III.

<u>2010</u>: An athlete who qualified on a USARS Team USA Team is not eligible to play at the Junior Olympics in the A Level Division, even if the athlete qualified on a recreation team in league play. NO EXCEPTIONS!

\*No athlete is allowed to compete in two levels in the same age division at the Junior Olympics. Example: A 14U playing in the competitive division cannot be picked up to compete on a 14U Elite team. An athlete playing in a 14U division may play in the 16U division.

**ADMISSION:** Admission is free to all parents and fans.

**SKILLS COMPETITION:** Thousands of dollars in prizes will be won during the skills competition. Additional skills details will be available closer to the tournament at <a href="https://www.aauhockey.org">www.aauhockey.org</a>.

**SCHEDULE:** The tournament schedule will be posted online at <a href="www.aauhockey.org">www.aauhockey.org</a> five to seven days after the final deadline of June 18, 2010.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Regional and National qualifiers will be held across the country during the 2010 season. All teams must compete in a 2010 AAU sanctioned, regional or league qualifier. Your classification at the Junior Olympics will be determined by where your team finishes at the qualifier of your choice. All teams that participate in the A division for the Junior Olympics must be approved by the AAU National Chair before acceptance. Please call 715-231-4000.

**PLAYING RULES:** The playing rules are by the NGB of the sport, USA Roller Sports, for the current year, except AAU modifications. Certified referees will be assigned to the event with the national coordinator overseeing the competition. There is no qualifier needed for the 8U, 21U, all girls, women, and adult men's open divisions; these are open roster tournaments. You are allowed a minimum of eight (8) players on your roster, including a goalie and a maximum of 15 players. This does not mean that eight or more athletes must be at the event.

**AWARDS:** AAU Junior Olympics will present gold, silver, bronze and copper Junior Olympic medals to all members of each team placing in the top four in each age classification. Team awards are given to the top teams in each division and age group.

**HOUSING:** Save \$100 per team by selecting an approved hotel for your stay in California. Click Here for more information.

**RENTAL CAR INFORMATION:** Click Here for discounted rates.

**2010 TEAM USA CAMPS:** Criteria is posted at <a href="https://www.aauhockey.org">www.usarollersports.org</a>.

**AAU MEMBERSHIP:** All athletes and coaches must be a member of the AAU. The team manager must be able to present proof of their 2009-2010 membership numbers on their team roster at check in. Register online at <a href="https://www.aauhockey.org">www.aauhockey.org</a> or <a href="https://www.aausports.org">www.aausports.org</a>

**CHECK IN TIMES:** This will be posted online with the schedule.

**ON-SITE CHECK IN:** There is mandatory check in for all teams participating in the 2010 AAU Junior Olympic Games at the Huntington Beach facility. Team Managers must check their team(s) in prior to their first game.

**FORMAT OF PLAY:** A pool play system will be used. There will be an even number of teams (if possible) in each pool. **Each team will be guaranteed a minimum of five games**. Many teams will play 6-8 games. All teams will receive 2 points for a win and 1 point for a tie.

**GAME FORMAT:** A two minute warm-up is allowed before each game. There will be 18 minute halves with a rest period of one minute between halves. The clock will stop in the last minute if the score is within two goals or a tie. Games ending in a tie during pool play will result in a tie and each team is awarded one point in their pool play standings. Only during the bracketed playoffs will a tie game go into a sudden death overtime period.

## **TEAM ENTRY FORM**