



9280 Pond Hockey Tournament Participant Packet

January 20 – 23, 2023

**Keystone Lake | Lakeside Village
Keystone, Colorado**

Welcome to Keystone and the 9280 Pond Hockey Tournament! We are very excited to have you join us for the 2023 tournament and are confident that your experience will be as memorable as the breathtaking venue. We'll both be on-site for the length of the tournament and available for any questions or feedback you may have.

See you on Keystone Lake!

-Delly & Gemps

Golden Rules of Pond Hockey

- Have Fun!
- Be Creative
- Be Respectful
- No Coaching
- No Checking
- Losing Team Shovels
- Winning Team Helps!

It's not about wins & losses, it's about having fun!

General Information:

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Tournament Location:

All games will take place on Keystone Lake in Lakeside Village.

Directions from Denver:

Option #1

I-70 west to exit #205 for Silverthorne/Dillon (1st exit beyond Eisenhower Tunnel)

Turn left on Hwy US-6 and drive approx. 6.6 miles to Keystone Lakeside Village

Turn left on Tennis Club Road and then immediately left into the parking lot

From the parking lot, walk through the tunnel under Hwy US-6 into the Village

Option #2 (Can be a more treacherous route depending on road conditions)

I-70 west to exit 216 for Loveland Pass / US-6

Follow US-6 for approx. 12 miles over Loveland Pass, past Arapahoe Basin Ski Area

Upon entering Keystone Resort, drive approx. 1.5 miles to Tennis Club Road

Turn right on Tennis Club Road and then immediately left into the parking lot

From the parking lot, walk through the tunnel under Hwy US-6 into the Village

FREE Parking:

FREE parking is available in the lot directly across from the Keystone Lodge and Spa in the Village Parking Lot for the length of the tournament. Walk through the tunnel under US-6 and you'll come up at the Keystone Lodge & Spa overlooking the lake. *Please note there is now a \$25 fee for parking overnight.* Parking is also available in the main lot at River Run.

<https://www.google.com/maps/place/39%C2%B036'29.6%22N+105%C2%B058'11.0%22W/@39.608222,-105.969722,17z/data=!3m1!4b1!4m5!3m4!1s0x0:0x8dc9c50ea5d8fb64!8m2!3d39.608234!4d-105.969725>

Keystone Resort Transportation:

Keystone Resort offers a free in-resort transportation system. Once you arrive in Keystone, you can park your car and utilize the bus system to get around the resort. All routes start running at 8:00am and stop running at 6:00pm. We are working with Keystone Resort to extend hours of the buses. We'll communicate any additional information as we receive it.

https://www.kestoneresort.com/-/aemasset/sitecore/keystone/pdfs/2022_KY_transportation-schedule-fri-sat-sun.pdf

Keystone Resort Health Information:

OUR COMMITMENT TO SAFETY

We remain committed to doing everything we can to help keep you safe this season, so you can focus on having a great time on the mountain. Learn more about the steps we're taking for the 2022-23 season below.

KEY CHANGES FROM LAST SEASON

- No Proof of vaccination requirements
- No reservation requirements at dining outlets and lodges. (For full-service locations, reservations are still recommended).
- Face coverings no longer required

All of our policies are subject to change based on federal, state and local public health guidelines.

Please stay home if you are sick.

For protection against viruses including COVID-19, we will continue with the following health and safety measures

<https://www.keystoneresort.com/explore-the-resort/about-the-resort/winter-experience.aspx>

Team Check-in:

Location:	Lakeside Suite, Keystone Lodge & Spa, Lakeside Village		
When:	Friday	January 20 st	12:00pm-8:00pm
	Saturday	January 21 nd	9:00am-12:00pm

Lakeside Suite is located in **Keystone Lodge & Spa**, directly across the lake from the Adventure Center and adjacent to the stairs that lead down to the lake from the underpass and parking lot. Lakeside Suite overlooks Keystone Lake.

Required Forms:

All teams must be paid in full, and the following forms submitted by the **TEAM MANAGER or CAPTAIN**, at time of check-in. Your team will not be allowed to participate in the tournament until all this is completed for each player participating:

Adult & Youth Teams:

1. **9280 Pond Hockey - Participation Waiver – each participant –**

https://campvine.com/uploads/attachments/att_1641321503_4667_735b90b4568125ed6c3f678819b6e058.pdf

2. Vail Resorts - Competition, Racing and Training Waiver – each participant

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We'll have extra 9280 & Vail Resorts forms on hand at check-in but recommend completing them prior to arrival as this will help cut down on any potential delays at check-in. **Please forward these forms to all team members in advance.**

****U8 Teams****

All Avalanche 8U Experience **PARTICIPANTS** must also complete and additional waiver on-line:

<https://waiver.smartwaiver.com/e/BJSAGonwDPDtejAnKbtfbM/>

Colorado Avalanche 8U Experience player will also be receiving (2) Colorado Avalanche/9280 Pond Hockey branded jerseys at check-in!

Athlete Gift Bag:

Upon completed check-in, each adult team captain or youth team manager will receive a bag chocked full of goodies for the players on their respective team from the awesome sponsors of the 9280 Pond Hockey Tournament!

You'll also receive **9280 helmet stickers**. Please have these stickers placed on the lower back of all players helmets who'll be participating in the tournament. This is a **requirement for all players** that allow our staff to identify athletes participating in the tournament.

9280 Pond Hockey Durable Goods – Retail Sales:

Get all your fresh 9280 headwear, apparel, and accessories for 2023! Loads of new styles along with your 9280 favorites!

Location:	Lakeside Suite, Keystone Lodge & Spa, Lakeside Village		
When:	Friday	January 20 st	1:00pm – 8:00pm
	Saturday	January 21 st	9:00am - 12:00pm
	Sunday	January 22 nd	9:00am – 3:00pm

Lakeside Suite is located in **Keystone Lodge & Spa**, directly across the hallway from the Lodge Ballroom and across the lake from the Adventure Center and adjacent to the stairs that lead down to the lake from the underpass and parking lot.

Player Tents/Changing Area:

There are two heated player tents, with direct access on to the lake, located directly outside the Adventure Center in the **Lakeside Gazebo for Youth Players** and a new tent on the **north east side of Keystone Lake for Adult Players**. The players tent will have benches and chairs for players to change in and out of their equipment. Please be respectful of your fellow players and **clean up after yourself** when you're finished. Thanks!

PLEASE NOTE: There is no storage available in the player tent, **ALL EQUIPMENT MUST BE TAKEN WITH YOU AFTER EACH GAME.**

Bag Storage:

There will be bag storage areas available in Keystone Lodge & Spa for players to leave their bags if needed. This will be helpful for guests of the resort on Sunday afternoon after checkout and prior to leaving:

Suns Conference Room – to the left of Lakeside Deli when exiting lake area

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Game Schedules:

ADULT SCHEDULE:

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YOUTH SCHEDULE:

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COLORADO AVALANCHE U8 EXPERIENCE AT 9280 SCHEDULE:

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Tourney Machine:

9280 Pond Hockey Tournament has a Mobile App powered by **Tourney Machine** ready for you to download and install on your phone today. Once you have selected your team or teams, you can view schedules, see game results, and track division standings and playoff seeding.

Simply go to the Apple App Store or Google Play, search for Tourney Machine, download the app to your phone and then take the following steps:

1. In the search bar for "Find Your Tournament or League" type in "9280 Pond Hockey Tournament – 2023"
2. 9280 Pond Hockey Tournament - 2023 should be the only one listed.
3. Lastly, click the red Find Teams button and select the teams you're following in the tournament by division.

In the week leading up to the event, we'll send an email announcing the schedules have been loaded.

Event Communication:

Event day communication will be done via **Tourney Machine**

Please also follow **@9280pondhockey** to keep current on all updates and news

9280 Pond Hockey – Nuts and Bolts

Ice Maintenance:

One of the most exciting features that the 9280 Pond Hockey Tournament offers is a hot water Zamboni'd ice surface. In an effort to offer our athletes the finest ice of any pond hockey tournament (anywhere!) we'll be Zamboni'n the rinks continuously – in fact, 1-2 rinks will be Zamboni'd during every scheduled game slot.

In addition, we also have plenty of shovels at each rink for players to clear the snow after each game. This keeps the ice clean in-between Zams. ***Losing team shovels, winning team helps!***

Closed Rinks:

Please stay off any closed rinks. In an effort to have the best playing surface, we have a specific ice maintenance schedule that we follow. This includes not scheduling game on rinks that could have softer ice during warmer parts of the day. Please respect the closures!

Weather:

Please keep in mind that we are in Colorful Colorado and at 9,280 feet above sea level. While we may be playing at the most beautiful spot in the world, we can have weather to contend with. Normally, January is a cool and clear month (hence our reason for picking it for the 9280) but there's always a chance we can get snow. We'll do our very best, with help from the staff at Keystone to keep the ice in tip-top shape but prayers to Momma Nature can't hurt ☺

Hydration/Nutrition/Recovery:

Make sure to stay hydrated! We're almost 2 miles above sea-level and in a dry climate. It's recommended that you hydrate at a minimum of every 15 minutes. If you're travelling from outside of the state, you should half that and hydrate every 5-7 minutes to avoid altitude sickness.

Referee in Chief:

USA Hockey certified referee, and Rocky Mountain Jr. Hockey League Referee in Chief, Mike "OC" O'Connor, will return as our Referee in Chief for this year's tournament assisted by Brian Johnson. OC & Brian will oversee all Game Monitors and will review and adjudicate all disputes and rules infractions throughout the tournament. It is up to the judgment of Mike and Brian to dole out punishment including, but not limited to, goals being awarded, teams playing short-handed, and players and/or teams being expelled from the tournament.

Game Monitors:

Each game will be staffed with a **Game Monitor**. These monitors act as scorekeepers and game monitors. This is meant to be a gentleman's game, so let's act like "gentleman" & "gentlewomen". Be warned that the Referee in Chief will seek counsel on all infractions that are under dispute and will most likely side with the game monitor, so treat them with respect or you will be asked to leave the tournament.

We have a **Zero Tolerance Policy** at the 9280. Remember, we're all enjoying the great game of hockey in its purest form – outside on a frozen lake at the base of a world class ski resort! Enjoy the experience, that's the most impactful award you'll receive!

Official 9280 Pond Hockey Tournament Rules:

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Additional Information:

As mentioned above, we are located at an elevation of 9280 feet. Weather can change quickly so be prepared for anything! Bring extra layers and additional socks and glove liners. Don't forget to hydrate! You'll be exerting large amounts of energy and fluids when playing hockey at a high-altitude so make sure you're taking the time to hydrate regularly.

You'll also want to bring a folding chair if you'd like to have a seat between shifts or while enjoying a cold one and watching a game. Just make sure your bevvie is from the Adventure Center. Remember, **no outside alcohol is allowed on Keystone Lake.**

Thanks again for joining us in this amazing venue and we both look forward to meeting you all at the 9280 Pond Hockey Tournament. See you on the lake!

~Delly & Gemps