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PLAYING REGULATIONS

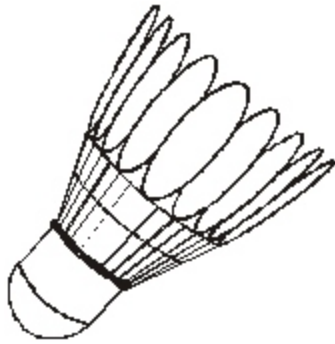


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(Revised February 2011 with reference to the OFSAA regulations)

The sole basis for the very existence of high school sport is the contribution it makes to the general educational experience of those students who participate.

PLAYING REGULATIONS

1. Date and Time:

League play will consist of one tournament for each of the following events - singles, doubles and mixed doubles (three tournaments in total). All categories (women's, men's, junior, open) will occur at the same tournament. These tournaments will begin at 12:00 pm.

The KASSAA Championships shall be held on two different days following the March Break. One day will be for Junior events, while the other day will be for Open events. Each tournament will begin at 8:30 am.

2. Location:

The location of the tournaments shall be decided at the Annual Badminton meeting prior to the Christmas holidays. Schools with 7 - 9 courts and few obstructions will be preferred locations. (i.e. Holy Cross S.S., L.C.V.I., Napanee D.S.S., K.C.V.I., La Salle S.S.)

3. Events:

The events to be conducted for both Junior and Open age categories are:

- WOMEN'S SINGLES
- WOMEN'S DOUBLES
- MEN'S SINGLES
- MEN'S DOUBLES
- MIXED DOUBLES

4. Tournament Structure and Procedure:

i) LEAGUE PLAY

- (a) 3 round robin tournaments (1 singles, 1 doubles, 1 mixed doubles).
- (b) Pools will be comprised of 4 or 5 players (3 players/pool if there are 12 or fewer players in an event).
- (c) Pools are created to group athletes of similar abilities to maximize competitiveness within each pool.
- (d) All matches will consist of 2 games played to 15 points with Rally Point Scoring.
- (e) All players are guaranteed two (2) matches.

ii) CHAMPIONSHIP PLAY

- (a) Double elimination format with seeding based on league play and previous years' results.
- (b) All matches will be best 2 out of 3 games, to 21 points with Rally Point Scoring.
- (c) All players are guaranteed two (2) matches.

5. Seeding and Draw Development:

i) LEAGUE PLAY

- (a) Coaches are to seed their players with number 1 being the strongest.
- (b) The pools will be comprised of similarly ranked players and will consider the (potential) strengths based on previous experience to make all pools as competitive as possible.
- (c) Players from the same school will be placed in different pools.
- (d) On the day of the tournament, if there are changes in entries, the Convenor(s) may make minor alterations to the draw to accommodate the changes.

ii) CHAMPIONSHIP PLAY

- (a) Results from the league play as well as from previous years will be used to seed the draw.
- (b) Players from the same school will be placed as far apart as possible in the draw and should not meet each other until as late as possible in the draw.
- (c) Where the above criteria has no effect, the athletes will be placed, by random selection.
- (d) The Convenor(s) may consult other coaches to ensure fair seedings prior to the tournament. It is then the convenor's responsibility, using this information, to make certain that the players and teams are placed appropriately in the draw. Care must be taken to follow the procedures outlined above.
- (e) On the day of the tournament, if there are changes in entries, the Convenor(s) may make minor alterations to the draw to accommodate the changes.

6. Entry:

- (a) Entries will be accepted from school coaches only.
- (b) In league play, a school may enter a maximum of three (3) competitors in singles and doubles, and a maximum of four (4) competitors in mixed doubles. For the Championships, a maximum of two (2) competitors in each event is permitted. If a school does not have a full entry or in the event of a late cancellation, the free space will NOT be filled.
- (c) An athlete may enter more than one league play tournament. The athlete can play at a different level (ie. junior or open) for subsequent league play tournaments.
- (d) Entry into Championship play does NOT require participation in league play.
- (e) Athletes must choose whether to play at the Junior or Open level for the Championships, they may NOT play both Championship Tournaments.
- (f) Athletes may only play one event in the Championship Tournament.
- (g) Entries must be received by the KASSAA Convenor no later than 3:30 pm, two days prior to the tournament.
- (h) Late entries will only be accepted if they can be accommodated and could be subject to a penalty of an additional entry fee.

(i) Any athlete who has transferred schools must ensure proper documentation has been submitted to the appropriate committee.

7. Expenses:

An Entry Fee will be charged which shall be sufficient to cover operating costs of the tournament (i.e. shuttles, medals, trophy repair/replacement, facility rental, coaches refreshments). The fee will be determined at the beginning of the season.

8. Eligibility:

To represent a school in any activity co-ordinated by the Federation a student must:

- (a) be under 15 as of January 1st prior to the start of the current school year to compete in junior events;
- (b) be under 19 as of January 1st prior to the start of the current school year to compete in open events;
- (c) be certified as eligible by the Principal of the school;
- (d) be in Grades 9 - 12;
- (e) be eligible under the OFSAA Transfer Policy (By-Law 5, Section 4(f) of OFSAA Regulations);
- (f) be eligible for no more than five (5) consecutive years from date of entry into Grade 9;
- (h) Any athlete participating in a KASSAA Championship must have participated as a member of a bona fide high school program during the current season under the supervision of a teacher-coach as certified by the school principal.

Note: It is the responsibility of the coach to see that all entries meet the above requirements.

9. Rules and Officials:

Revisions to the rules governing play at the KASSAA Championship shall be reviewed by the coaches and convenors prior to implementation at any Championship.

The rules of the Canadian Badminton Association shall govern play at the KASSAA Championship with the following exceptions.

- (a) All matches will consist of 2 games played to 15 points with Rally Point Scoring during league play (must win by 2 points to maximum of 21 points). Players switch sides between games.
- (b) All matches will be (best 2 out of 3) played to 21 points with Rally Point Scoring during Championship Tournaments (must win by 2 points to maximum of 30 points). Players switch sides between games and at 11 points in the third game.
- (c) Players are allowed a one-minute, on-court break between first and second game (coaches may visit their players), and three-minute break between second and third game when they can leave the court.
- (d) In the event of a tie for placing in the round robin pool, the following method will be used to break the tie.
 - i) the best ratio of won:lost games among those players who are tied.
 - ii) the best ratio of for:against points among those players who are tied.
 - iii) the best ratio of won:lost games among the complete pool. iv) the best ratio of for:against points among the complete pool.
- (e) The Convenor shall be responsible for supplying a referee and any other necessary officials should a

situation arise requiring such official.

(f) No player shall default a match for other than medical reasons.

10. Reminders of Important Rules:

(a) No coaching (by team coach or teammates) is permitted during a match except during breaks (see section 9(c).)

(b) Be prepared to take the court immediately when game is called.

(c) Limit all warm-ups to 3 minutes or less. Coaches please monitor this closely.

(d) If competitors believe their opponents are playing unfairly, they may express their concern to the convenor(s) (not their coach), at any point during the match. A scorekeeper, service judge or lines judge may be assigned for the remainder of the game. Do not argue with opponent!

(e) Always encourage fair play and appropriate cheering.

(f) Be aware of the court boundaries. Do not interfere with other matches by walking on the courts.

(g) If there is no umpire, the server should call out the score before each serve loudly enough that opponent (and partner) can hear.

(h) You must not delay the game. If you need to wipe off your glasses, tie your shoes, have broken a racquet and need to get another one, etc. Make sure you inform your opponent of your intentions and proceed quickly.

(i) An injured player must make a quick decision whether or not s/he is able to continue with play or must forfeit the match. There are no time-outs for injuries.

(j) If lines judges are not available, players call the lines on their respective sides. If you are outplayed and unable to see where the shuttle lands, it should be called "in". Fair and sporting opponents will correct your call if the shuttle landed "out".

(k) Under no circumstance is it appropriate to make rude remarks, swear or use coarse language on the courts.

(l) Players are expected to introduce themselves to their opponents prior to the match and shake hands upon completion of the match.

(m) Only the coach(es) or coach designate(s) is (are) allowed to visit the court to provide advice between games.

11. Uniforms:

(a) All competitors are expected to dress in uniforms that are neat, clean and which maintain the integrity of the school.

(b) Only whites or school colours are permitted.

(c) From No hats, cut-offs, beachwear, bright colours or bold patterns, singlets or revealing clothing TO No hats, spandex, short-shorts, tank tops or revealing clothing.

(d) Footwear must have non-marking soles.

Players wearing inappropriate attire may be asked to leave the court and risk forfeiting their match.

12. Equipment:

(a) Players must provide their own racquets and warm-up shuttles.

(b) Mavis 350 (yellow) shuttles will be used at KASSAA tournaments.

(c) Approved goggles must be worn during all events.

13. Awards:

(a) Winners of each round robin pool in league play will receive a ribbon.

(b) The top two players/teams of KASSAA Championships will receive gold and silver medallions.

(c) Gold medal winners of KASSAA Championships will receive large plaques to be displayed at their respective school. Their names will be engraved on the plaques.

(d) Team points will be awarded as follows: 1st = 5 pts; 2nd = 3 pts; 3rd = 2 pts; 4th = 1 pt.

(e) A Junior Team Champions trophy will be awarded to the school with the highest number of points accumulated at the Junior Championships as outlined in 13. (c).

(f) An Open Team Champions trophy will be awarded to the school with the highest number of points accumulated at the Open Championships as outlined in 13. (c).

(g) Coaches please remember to bring plaques and trophies from the previous year to the Championships.

14. Qualification for EOSSAA Championships:

The top two players from each **open** event will represent KASSAA at the EOSSAA Championships.

15. Supervision:

A teacher is defined as a member of the Ontario College of Teachers or a holder of an Ontario Teacher's Certificate or equivalent.

(a) The principal of the school may designate an adult who is not a teacher to accompany the athletes. In addition, a teacher, or a retired teacher, must be present and on site and designated by the principal to be responsible for the athlete(s).

(b) Coaches must supervise their athletes all day at the tournaments.

(c) Where the teacher, as indicated in (a) and (b) above, is not of the same sex as the athlete(s), and where the athlete(s) are required or might be required to stay overnight, a supervisory adult, as approved by the principal of the school, of the same sex as the athlete(s), must be present and available at the accommodation site for the duration of their stay in the accommodation. Applicable at EOSSAA Championships.

16. Registration:

Upon arrival to the tournament, the coach must sign in with the convenor(s) to confirm entries and pay entry fee.

17. Conduct:

(a) All participants are expected to abide by the, "Rules of Behaviour for Participants to KASSAA Badminton Championships". (See Appendix I)

(b) Supervising adults are responsible for the behaviour of participants for the duration of the Championships.

(c) All Coaches are expected to adhere to the "Code of Ethics for Coaches".(See Appendix II).

(d) School personnel and coaches are expected to adhere to the "Policy on Dispensing Drugs, Medication and Food Supplements. (See Appendix III)

18. Medical:

Coaches shall provide all medical supplies (e.g. a first aid kit) for their athletes.

19. Jury of Appeal:

The Jury of Appeal shall consist of three (3) individuals: the Convenor(s), and other members as voted by the coaches. The Jury of Appeal shall handle disputes which fall within the realm of:

- (a) Tournament Structure and Procedure;
- (b) Rules and Officials;
- (c) Uniforms and Equipment;
- (d) Scoring.

Tournament structure and procedure concerns shall be addressed no later than the end of the pre-season coaches' meeting.

A dispute must be submitted in writing to the Convenor or Designate within thirty (30) minutes of the conclusion of the game in which the incident under dispute occurred. Decisions of the Jury of Appeal shall be final.

A report of the Jury of Appeal decisions shall be kept on file.

20. Competition Committee:

(a) The Competition Committee shall consist of three (3) individuals: the Convenor(s), and other members as voted by the coaches. The Competition Committee shall handle disputes regarding:

- (i) Eligibility;
- (ii) Conduct;
- (iii) Supervision and registration;
- (iv) Awards.

If a dispute cannot be resolved by the Competition Committee within a reasonable period of time, the event will continue and the dispute may be dealt with at a later time.

Disputes which fall within the jurisdiction of the Competition Committee must be received in writing to the Convenor or designate within a reasonable time frame.

A report of the decisions of the Competition Committee shall be kept on file.

(b) The Competition Committee shall be the body empowered to delay/cancel an event(s) due to unforeseen circumstances at the site(s).

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APPENDIX I Rules of Behaviour for Participants to KASSAA Badminton Championships

A school athlete represents a school when attending a KASSAA Championship. This consequently confers a responsibility upon him/her during the time of absence from school. This responsibility assumes greater meaning when individual teacher-coaches instruct their competitors in the degree of importance attached to it. The following principles and rules will therefore apply to all KASSAA Badminton Championships and are in addition to the KASSAA Badminton Standing Rules (Playing Regulations) and Governing Rules of athletic contests.

1. The teacher-coach must prepare participants with regard to the behaviour expected of them at the Championship.
2. The teacher-coach bears the responsibility for supervising his or her athletes for the entire period during which they are absent from school or home.
3. The consumption of any alcoholic beverage by student participants, whether of legal drinking age or not, at any time during a KASSAA Badminton Championship is expressly forbidden. Up to and including 18 years of age, drinking is illegal, plain and simple. Although 19-year olds have the legal right to drink, they have, in view of the circumstances, the responsibility of abstaining - a responsibility which in value far outweighs any immediate gain that an individual might perceive as accruing to himself or herself as a result of exercising this right.
4. Drugs, other than medication prescribed by a medical doctor for a specific competitor, are expressly forbidden.
5. All participants will deport themselves in a manner becoming representatives of their school while attending a Championship. Attention must be paid to:
 - Respect for others; all participants have the right to freedom from harassment (as defined by the Canadian Human Rights Commission), equal treatment without discrimination based on race, place of origin, colour, ethnic origin, creed, physical or mental ability, sexual orientation, or sex;
 - Respect for property;
 - Conduct;
 - Language;
 - Dress.

Procedure

Actions contrary to these Rules shall be referred to the Competition Committee which shall investigate the matter and decide on the penalty, if any, to be assessed. A report of the matter in question and penalty, if any imposed, shall be sent to the Principal of the school and kept on file.

Penalty

Penalties imposed may include, but are not limited to: stripping of awards, removal of records and standings, suspension from future KASSAA competition, notification to appropriate sport governing bodies, requiring written letter of apology and requiring appropriate restitution.

APPENDIX II Code of Ethics for Coaches

I. Respect for Participants

The principle of respect for participants challenges coaches to act in a manner respectful of the dignity of all participants in sport. Fundamental to this principle is the basic assumption that each person has value and is worthy of respect.

Acting with respect for participants means that coaches:

- (i) do not make some participants more or less worthy as persons than others on the basis of gender, race, place of origin, athletic potential, colour, sexual orientation, religion, political beliefs, socioeconomic status, marital status, age or other conditions;
- (ii) have a responsibility to respect and promote the rights of all participants;
- (iii) interact with others in a manner that enables all participants in sport to maintain their dignity; and
- (iv) build mutual support among fellow coaches, officials, spectators, athletes and their family members.

II. Responsible Coaching

The principle of responsible coaching carries the basic ethical expectation that the activities of coaches will benefit society in general and participants in particular and will do no harm. Fundamental to the implementation of this principle is the notion of competence - responsible coaching (maximising benefits and minimising risks to participants) is performed by coaches who are "well prepared and current" in their discipline.

In addition, responsible coaching means that coaches:

- (i) act in the best interest of the athlete's development as a whole person;
- (ii) recognize the power inherent in the position of coach;
- (iii) are aware of their personal values and how these affect their practice as coaches;
- (iv) acknowledge the limitations of their discipline; and
- (v) accept the responsibility to work with other coaches and professionals in sport.

III. Integrity in Relationships

Integrity means that coaches are expected to be honest, sincere and honourable in their relationships with others. Acting on these values is most possible when coaches possess a high degree of self-awareness and the ability to reflect critically on how their perspectives influence their interactions with others.

In being faithful to the principle of integrity in relationships, coaches would adhere to the following ethical standards:

- (i) explore mutual expectations with athletes in an honest and open manner, giving due consideration to the age and experience of individuals;
- (ii) accurately represent personal coaching qualification, experience, competence and affiliations in spoken and written communications, being careful not to use descriptions or information that could be misrepresented;
- (iii) make athletes and others clearly aware of coaching qualifications and experience;
- (iv) notify other coaches when working with those coaches' athletes;
- (v) honour all promises and commitments, both verbal and written;
- (vi) act with an enthusiastic and genuine appreciation of sport.

IV. Honouring Sport

The principle of honouring sport challenges coaches to recognize, act on and promote the value of sport for individuals and teams and for society in general.

Honouring Sport means that coaches:

- (i) act on and promote clearly articulated values related to coaching and sport;
- (ii) encourage and model honourable intentions and actions in their coaching practice; and;
- (iii) show high regard for and promote the value of sport in Canadian society and around the world;
- (iv) accept both the letter and the spirit of the rules that define and govern sport.

The Code of Ethics was adapted from the "OFSAA Code of Ethics for Coaches to OFSAA Championships".

APPENDIX III KASSAA Badminton Policy on Dispensing Drugs, Medication and Food Supplements

School personnel and coaches should not dispense any drug, medication or food supplement except with extreme caution and in accordance with policies developed in consultation with parent, health-care professionals and senior administrative personnel of the school or official district.

Use of any drug, medication or food supplement in a way not prescribed by the manufacturer should not be authorized or encouraged by school personnel and coaches. Even natural substances in unnatural amounts may have short-term or long-term negative health effects.

In order to minimize health and safety risks to student-athletes, maintain ethical standards and reduce liability risks, school personnel and coaches should never supply, recommend or permit the use of any drug, medication or food supplement solely for performance-enhancing purposes.

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