

W.C.S.S.A.A. Co-Educational Badminton Playing Rules and Regulations

1. Date

- 1.1 Waterloo County Secondary School Athletic Association Badminton Schedule shall be played in the months December to April unless extraordinary circumstances dictate a change.

2. Location

- 2.1 The location of the championship shall be decided not later than June of the school year prior to the championship.
- 2.2 The location of the championship shall be as it appears in the W.C.S.S.A.A. Sports Schedule unless extraordinary circumstances dictate a change.

Oct. '94

- 2.3 Detailed information package will be sent out in February from the convenor.

3. Events

- 3.1 The events to be conducted are:
Girls' Singles; Boys' Singles;
Girls' Doubles; Boys' Doubles;
Mixed Doubles.

4. Competitive Divisions

- 4.1 There shall be two (2) competitive divisions:
- Junior
 - Senior.
- 4.2 A Junior badminton competitor must meet the following age requirements:
- the individual's birth certificate indicates that he has not reached his 15th birthday by January 1st prior to the start of the school year in which the competition is held.
- 4.3 A Senior badminton competitor must meet the following age requirements:
- the individual's birth certificate indicates that he has not reached his 19th birthday by January 1st prior to the start of the school year in which the competition is held.

5. Tournament Structure and Procedures

June'02

- 5.1 The tournament shall be a true double elimination tourney for all Waterloo region schools encompassing Districts 6 and 11
- 5.2 Facilities shall be set up at least thirty (30) minutes prior to the scheduled starting time.

5. Tournament Structure and Procedures (cont'd)

- 5.3 The following procedures shall take place for each match:
- 5.3.1 a match shall consist of the best two (2) out of three (3) games;
- Nov. '99** 5.3.2 a game shall consist of twenty one (21) points starting at zero (0) all. Setting of points is per Ontario Badminton Association rules; at 20-20 a player/team must win by 2 points unless the score progresses to 29-29 at which time the first player/team to 30 wins the game.
- 5.3.3 sides and service shall be decided by a toss;
- 5.3.4 sides are changed after each game. If the match goes to three(3) games, sides are changed in the middle of the third game when one player/team gets to eleven (11) points.
- 5.3.5 the player(s) who won the previous game begins service for the next game;
- June'02** 5.3.6 Athletes are permitted a 1 minute rest break between games. Coaching is permitted during the rest breaks until the last 20 seconds of the break, at which time the coach must leave the playing area. Players are not permitted to leave the court at any time during the match.
- 5.3.7 if matches fall consecutively, a ten (10) minute rest period will be allowed between matches;
- 5.3.8 a schedule will be issued to each school outlining all matches giving court number and order of matches;
- 5.3.9 as soon as the court is free, the players will have a brief warm up. When the scorer arrives with the game bird, the game must begin immediately. No other warm-up on courts is permitted;
- June'02** 5.3.10 coaches or other spectators may not coach their players while a game is in progress;
- 5.3.11 coaches and non participating players must remain off the playing floor. Movement on the court is distracting;
- Oct. '94** 5.3.12 the scorer of the match shall report the score and the winning player will initial scoresheet;
- 5.3.13 players are expected to introduce themselves to their opponents prior to the match and shake hands upon completion of the match.
- 5.4 A draw for each division will be displayed at a convenient location. Players will determine the match they are to play. Players shall then consult the schedule to determine the location of their match. Each court will identify the match presently being played and the match played next. From time to time a match may be moved to another court. An announcement will be made over the public address system of any court changes.

5. Tournament Structure and Procedures (cont'd)

- Sept. '95 5.5 If players do not arrive on the court when their match is due, they will be paged over the public address system. If a player(s) does not arrive within five (5) minutes **after the game is posted**, he/she may lose that match by default.

6. Scoring

- 6.1 Points will be awarded upon losing the second match.
- Oct. '94 6.2 No points will be awarded unless a competitor has won one (1) match.
- 6.3 Points will be awarded as follows:
- Oct. '94 6.3.1 Round 3 - one (1) point (must win one (1) match)
 Round 4 - three (3) points
 Round 5 - five (5) points
 Round 6 (losers of match 57 and 58) - seven (7) points
 4th place - (loser of match 60) - nine (9) points
 3rd place - (loser of match 61) - twelve (12) points
 Finalist - fifteen (15) points
 Winner – eighteen (18) points

7. Seeding

- 7.1 Each school is encouraged to indicate entry or entries worthy of seeding consideration.

8. Entries

- 8.1 Entries shall be accepted only from coaches or designates.
- 8.2 Each school may have two (2) entries per event per division.
- 8.3 Individual players may enter one (1) event only, in one (1) division only.
- June '02 8.4 Entries must be in the hands of the covenor by 4:00 p.m. **the Thursday** prior to the tournament.

9. Expenses

- 9.1 An entry fee shall be charged which shall be sufficient to cover the operating costs of the tournament. Schools will be billed after the costs are determined.

10. Eligibility

- 10.1 Each competitor must be eligible under all the rules and regulations of W.C.S.S.A.A.
- 10.2 An eligible competitor is one who:
- 10.2.1 is listed as a full-time student on the daily register of the schools;
- 10.2.2 is certified as eligible by the principal of the school and is in grades 9 - 12;
- 10.2.3 meets the age requirement.

10.3 A player who is classified as a junior competitor may be entered on a senior team.

10. Eligibility

10.4 There can be no changes of players once the teams have been entered into the tournament. With the approval of the convenor some accommodation may be possible in the event of injury or illness as long as the scheduled draw is not unduly affected.

11. Rules and Officials

11.1 The official rule book governing play during the W.C.S.S.A.A. schedule shall be the Ontario Badminton rules.

11.2 The players will be responsible for all calls.

11.3 The convenor shall be responsible for providing the scorers for the tournament.

11.4 Scorers are not referees; they ensure the matches start on time and the correct score is maintained throughout.

12. Uniforms and Equipment

12.1 All players must wear O.F.S.A.A. approved clothing.

12.2 Players are responsible for bringing their own equipment.

12.3 The OFSAA approved shuttlecock will be used at the WCSSAA tournament

13. Awards

June'02 13.1 Individual plaques for first place and second place in each event will be awarded.

14. Deportment

14.1 A staff member from each school represented must be present and responsible for the behaviour of his/her students.

15. First Aid Procedures

15.1 It is the responsibility of each coach to provide for his/her own team medical needs in accordance with his/her School Medical Regulations.

15.2 Coaches shall provide all consumable medical supplies (e.g. tape, bandaids) for their athletes.

15.3 Each school must have a First Aid Kit on site during competition.

16. Jury of Appeal

16.1 The procedure for all protests, complaints, suspensions is outlined in Bylaw 2, Section 5 of the W.C.S.S.A.A. Bylaws.

17. Length of Season

17.1 The training and competitive season for a school badminton team shall be from the first day of December to the O.F.S.A.A. Championship.

18. Voting Procedures For Coaches' Meetings

- 18.1 A coaches' meeting will be 10:00 a.m. on the first day of the tournament.
- 18.2 Voting at the badminton meetings will be limited to one (1) vote per school in attendance.