

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

POWER TO MAKE RULES AND REGULATIONS

Pursuant to Section 5.5 of the British Columbia Secondary Schools' Rugby Union Constitution and By-Laws:

“The Directors shall have the power to make such rules and regulations as the Directors in their absolute discretion consider necessary to facilitate the functioning of the Union and the promotion of its objects, subject only to approval of the same by an Ordinary Resolution passed at the next following General Meeting. All rules and regulations so made shall be binding on the Members and on all persons participating in Union activities.”

ZONES

Member schools shall be assigned to ‘zones’ as follows:

<u>Zone</u>	<u>Geographical Organizations of Schools (i.e. Secondary Schools' Athletic Associations)</u>
Fraser Valley	Abbotsford / Mission Coquitlam Delta Fraser Valley East Langley District Maple Ridge / Pitt Meadows Surrey
Kootenay	East Kootenay West Kootenay
Lower Mainland	Burnaby / New Westminister Lower Mainland Independent North Shore Richmond Vancouver
North Vancouver Island	Central Vancouver Island North Vancouver Island
<i>North Central/Northwest</i>	<i>North Central Zone</i> <i>Northwest Zone</i>
Okanagan	North Okanagan Okanagan Central South Okanagan-Similkameen West Okanagan Valley
South Vancouver Island	Lower Vancouver Island

ZONE REPRESENTATIVES

1. A Zone Representative shall act as the Executive's representative in his/her particular zone, and shall advise the Executive on matters relating to the zone.
2. ~~Zone Representatives shall be appointed by the Executive by September 30 of the current school year.~~
Zone Representatives shall be appointed by the Executive no later than February 1 of the current school year.
3. The duties of the Zone Representative shall be:
 - a) To promote rugby within the schools of his/her zone.
 - b) To promote membership in the British Columbia Secondary Schools' Rugby Union within the schools of his/her zone.
 - c) To ensure that schools file all appropriate registration forms by the required date.
 - d) To be aware of local problems and situations, and to report these to the Executive.
 - e) To act as liaison between the Tournament Committee and the schools in his/her zone with regard to the Provincial Championship Tournament(s).
 - f) To attend (or delegate another person to attend) the Annual General Meeting.
 - g) ~~To present a brief written report to the Annual General Meeting, outlining the zone's program and game results as well as recommendations for future action.~~
Eliminate this requirement as we have never required a written report, but on occasion have asked Zone Representatives to present a verbal report.

CLASSIFICATION OF TEAMS

1. ~~Tier classification is based on enrolment as declared by each Member school to the Ministry of Education (Independent and Public Schools) and to their respective School Districts (Public Schools).~~

~~Enrolment is based on:~~

- ~~_____ the number of grade 11 and 12 students who are under 19 years of age as of December 31st of the current school year, AND~~
- ~~_____ the number of ungraded students in their fourth or fifth year of eligibility who are under 19 years of age as of December 31st of the current school year.~~

~~This count must be taken on September 30th of each school year, and include those "of age" students for whom full funding is received and who are declared 1.000 full-time equivalent as recorded on the school's Form 1701 and Student Data Collection Report.~~

2. ~~For Rugby, the tier classification is as follows:
AAA— 251 or more male students enrolled in grades 11 and 12
AA— 250 or fewer male students enrolled in grades 11 and 12~~

The tier designation shall include all grade 11 and 12 students under nineteen (19) years of age as of December 31 of the current school year. These numbers must be the same count of students that is provided to the Ministry of Education on September 30 of the current school year. For Rugby, the tier classifications are as follows:

AAA - 251 or more boys in grades 11 and 12

AA - 250 or fewer boys in grades 11 and 12

N.B. AAA teams may NOT move down to the AA level, but AA teams may elect to play up, but are not eligible to move back down with respect to future competition unless their numbers fall to AA level.

SEASON OF PLAY

1. ~~Each local Athletic Association shall select a thirteen-week period (exhibition and league play) for Rugby such that:
 - a) it is continuous and includes the date of the Provincial Championship Tournament(s); or
 - b) it is continuous using the Fall Season, in which case a local Athletic Association may grant up to three weeks preparation to their zone representatives terminating with the Provincial Championship(s); or
 - c) it is split into two sections, the first of which must be in the Fall Season and the latter of which must include the date of the Provincial Championship Tournament(s).~~
2. ~~Within the parameters of the selected season of play, the maximum number of playing days for rugby, excluding playoffs and championships, shall be twenty-six (26).~~

Refer to BC SCHOOL SPORTS Competitive Rules and Regulations Part E: Seasons of Play

E1: General

E2: Season of Play Dates

E3: Approved Exceptions to the Season of Play Dates

E4: Fundraising/Promotional Games

E5: Touring/Hosting Out-of-Season Competition

E6: Maximum Number of Playing Days

E7: Penalties for Infractions of Part E

CODES OF CONDUCT

1. ~~Coach's Code of Conduct~~
 2. ~~Student Athlete's Code of Conduct~~
 3. ~~Spectator's Code of Conduct~~
- ~~See Section 2 of the BC SCHOOL SPORTS Competitive Rules and Regulations.~~

COACH'S RESPONSIBILITIES

Refer to BC SCHOOL SPORTS Competitive Rules and Regulations Part B: Coach's Responsibilities

B1: Recruiting

B2: Coach's Code of Conduct

~~SANCTIONING FOR OUT-OF-PROVINCE COMPETITION~~

~~See Section 12 of the BC SCHOOL SPORTS Competitive Rules and Regulations.~~

~~VIOLATIONS OF COMPETITIVE POLICIES~~

- ~~1. Penalties for Violation of the Eligibility Policies~~
- ~~2. Penalties for Late Registration Forms~~
- ~~3. Penalties for Violations of 'Seasons of Play' or 'Maximum Number of Playing Days' Policies~~
- ~~4. Appeal Process for Disciplinary Action Taken~~

~~See Section 8 of the BC SCHOOL SPORTS Competitive Rules and Regulations.~~

BC SCHOOL SPORTS COMPETITIVE RULES AND REGULATIONS: SECTION IV

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Part A: General Guidelines

Part B: Coach's Responsibilities

Part C: Team Eligibility and Tiering Classifications

Part D: Student-Athlete Eligibility

Part E: Seasons of Play

Part F: Championship Standards

Part G: Grade Eight, Nine and Junior Provincial Championships

Part H: National Championships

Part I: Sanctioning for Out-of-Province Teams