CWOSSA Boys' & Girls' Volleyball A/AA/AAA Playing Regulations

I. Date

To be named in the annual CWOSSA Calendar.

II. Entry Fee

An entry fee to cover the costs of the tournament will be charged.

III. Convenor & Location

Will be announced in the annual CWOSSA Calendar

IV. Championship Structure

1. Entries

Championship entries will be as published in the Championship Entries. This can be found in the CWOSSA Manual and the CWOSSA Website.

2. Format

- i) The Championship Format will be as published in the Championship Formats. This can be found in the CWOSSA Manual and the CWOSSA Website.
- ii) Pool games will be 2 out of 3 matches.
- iii) Semi-final games will be 2 out of 3 matches. If CWOSSA is given two OFSAA entries then they will be 3 out of 5 matches.
- iv) Finals will be 3 out of 5 matches with the exception of:
 - a) "A" Junior which will be 2 out of 3 matches.
 - b) If two OFSAA berths the senior final will be 2 out of 3.
- v) The first two games will be 25-point rally point with no cap. A team must win by 2 points. If a third or fifth deciding game is necessary, it will be a 15-point rally point game with no cap and a team must win by 2 points.

V. Officials:

- 1. All first and second officials must be currently registered with the OVA and assigned by the OVA assigner of the area where the tournament is held (OVA Region 3).
 - i) First officials (Referees) must be at least provincially rated OVA officials.
 - ii) Second officials (umpires) must be at least locally rated OVA officials.
- 2. The convener must arrange scorers and linespersons.
- 3. First officials will be used for all Junior pool play matches and semi finals.
- 4. First officials and umpires will be used for all Senior pool play matches and semi finals.
- 5. Rated officials (first officials and umpires) will be used as linespersons for the finals of both junior and senior championship matches.

VI. Rules

Volleyball Canada rules will be used with the following exceptions.

1. OFSAA tiebreaking will be used.

When applying the tie breaking rules, one should follow this sequence:

- 1. When two teams are tied, the tie breaking criteria are applied one after the other until the tie is broken;
- 2. When three or more teams are tied, the tie breaking criteria are applied one after the other until all teams are ranked.

- i) If two (2) teams are tied at the end of the preliminary round for positions in the championship playoffs, the team winning the match between the two tied teams shall receive the higher ranking.
- ii) If three (3) teams are tied at the end of the preliminary round, the following criteria shall be applied to determine their rankings:
 - a) the team having the best ratio of won/lost matches, considering matches played among the tied teams only in pool play, will be ranked higher;
 - b) the team having the best ratio of won/lost sets (games), considering matches played among the tied teams only in pool play, will be ranked higher;
 - c) the team having the best ratio of won/lost sets (games), considering all matches in pool play will be ranked higher;
 - d) the team having the best ratio of points for/against, considering games played between the tied teams in pool play will be ranked higher;
 - e) the team having the best ratio of points for/against, considering all games played in pool play, will be ranked higher.

NO TEAM SHALL BE ELIMINATED FROM CHAMPIONSHIP PLAY BY POINTS.

- iii) If three (3) or more teams are tied for positions to determine who advances to Championship playoffs, the following criteria shall be applied:
 - a) criteria (ii)(a) to (c) above shall be used to determine the higher ranked team;
 - b) the remaining tied teams will play an additional set to 15 points (2 point margin of victory);
 - c) if more than two teams are tied, then points shall be used to determine who gets the Bye, using criteria (ii)(d) and (e) above. The remaining two teams shall play a 15-point set (2 point margin of victory) and the winner shall play the Bye team in a 15-point set (2 point margin of victory) to determine who advances to Championship play or is eliminated from play.
- 2. Net Height

Junior and Senior Girls 2.24 metres
Junior Boys 2.35 metres
Senior Boys 2.43 metres

- 3. Uniforms
 - a) All players must wear matching volleyball jerseys with numbers on front and back. At first glance shorts must have the same predominant colouring
 - b) Failure to wear a proper uniform may disqualify a player from participating.
- 4. Warm Up
 - a) Warm-ups will consist of a 5-5-5 format.
 - b) Five (5) minutes will be a common time for on court warm-up; five (5) minutes for team serving first at net; five (5) minutes for team receiving first at net.
- 5. Game balls will be provided by the convenor and must be the official ball used by OFSAA.
- 6. Number of players allowed on the scoresheet is 18.

VII. OFSAA

The senior winner will represent CWOSSA at the OFSAA Championship.

VIII. Awards

- 1. The large CWOSSA plaque will be presented to the winning team.
- 2. Gold CWOSSA Medallions (15) will be presented to the championship team.
- 3. Silver CWOSSA Medallions (15) will be presented to the finalist team.

IX. Protest Committee

- 1. A protest committee will be comprised of the convener, the head referee and one other CWOSSA representative.
- 2. Protests must be submitted in writing to the convener within 30 minutes of the end of the match for which the protest is being lodged.

X Sponsorship Policy and Uniforms at CWOSSA Championships

- 1. All competitors are expected to dress in uniforms that are neat, clean and which maintain the integrity of the school's name, colours and logos.
- 2. No sport club insignia on uniforms or equipment shall be permitted in the competitive area. A sport club is defined as a community, provincially or nationally based organization whose primary purpose is participation in organized competition in single or multi-sport programs.
- 3. Sponsorship recognition is permitted to be visible but must conform with the placement guidelines outlined in By-Law 6. Section 2(h) of the OFSAA By-laws. This criteria must be met both on and in the immediate vicinity of the competitive area and during the awards ceremonies.