

YORK REGION ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
BADMINTON PLAYING REGULATIONS

1. Season of Play:

Winter Sport

2. Divisions:

Junior and Senior - Co-ed

3. Eligibility:

a) See YRAA Transfer Application Form.

b) **AGE DIVISION CATEGORIES**

SCHOOL YEAR	AGE DIVISION				
	MIDGET		JUNIOR	SENIOR	
	Year of Birth	Date of entry to grade 9 (not prior to August of year listed below)	Year of Birth	Year of Birth	Date of entry to grade 9 (not prior to August of year listed below)
2010-11	1996	2010	1995	1991	2006
2011-12	1997	2011	1996	1992	2007
2012-13	1998	2012	1997	1993	2008
2013-14	1999	2013	1998	1994	2009
2014-15	2000	2014	1999	1995	2010
2015-16	2001	2015	2000	1996	2011
2016-17	2002	2016	2001	1997	2012
2017-08	2003	2017	2002	1998	2013

c) Each player may enter only one event. Complete **team rosters** will be supplied to the zone convenor prior to the beginning of the competition. **A student/athlete must be on the team roster at the proper age group (Mid/Jr/Sr) for a specific sport and tier, to be eligible to participate in that sport. The team roster must be completed on-line prior to the commencement of the competition.**

d) Any athlete participating in an OFSAA Championship or an OFSAA qualifying event must have participated in a minimum of ten (10) practices with their high school team 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.

4. Conference:

a) Zone play will precede the York Region Tournament.

b) There will be 8 zones of approximately 5-6 schools.

- c) The zone alignment should be reviewed yearly by a committee to attempt to balance zones for the next playing season. The convenor of the York Region Finals, in conjunction with the zone convenors may review the zone alignment yearly to create balanced numbers. Any alteration should be approved by the YRAA Executive.

5. Governing Rules:

- a) Badminton World Federation (BWF)/Badminton Canada Laws and regulations except where these regulations disagree with the YRAA badminton sport playing regulations, in which case the YRAA regulations will take precedence.
- b) The convenor shall designate an umpire and provide scorekeepers for the YRAA championships.
- c) York Region Secondary Schools adopt the same type of shuttle as used at OFSAA, for all York Region tournaments.
- d) A match shall consist of the best 2 out of 3 games to 21 points using the rally point scoring system.
- e) During warm-ups and competition all players must wear approved, protective eyewear.

6. Information:

Senior Events:	Boys' Singles Boys' Doubles Mixed Doubles	Girls' Singles Girls' Doubles
Junior Events:	Boys' Singles Tier 1 Boys' Doubles Tier 2 Boys' Doubles Tier 1 Mixed Doubles	Girls Singles Tier 1 Girls' Doubles Tier 2 Girls' Doubles Tier 2 Mixed Doubles

7. Season Structure:

- a) Zone Tournaments:
- i) 8 zones of approximately 5 - 6 schools
- ii) each school may enter two teams per event
- iii) 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th place finishers advance to the regional semi final tournament
- iv) 5th place must be determined in the event of a possible default by a player who has qualified for the next round of play.
- v) in order to determine 5th place: if the two teams have previously met in the tournament, the winner of the match is the 5th place finisher. If the teams have not met previously, then a new match must be played.
- vi) **Should one of the top 4 finishers not be able to play in the next round of play, the 5th place finisher will be entered in the next round. Each player who finished behind the player who is withdrawing will be seeded one position higher in the draw for the next tournament. In the event that another player has to withdraw, then the 6th place finisher will also move on. If it occurs that the 5th or 6th place player**

cannot be informed in time to be able to attend the following tournament, then a bye will be entered in the tournament draw in the 4th place seed and the remaining players will move up one seed position to fill in positions 1, 2 and 3 according to their order of finish in the zone tournament. Under no circumstances are substitutions allowed. Only the players who competed in the previous tournament and qualified to advance may play in the following tournament. If one member of a doubles team has to withdraw, then his/her partner is also automatically withdrawn from the tournament.

b) Regional Semi-Final Tournament:

- i) 4 zones
- ii) 1st and 2nd place finishers advance to the York Region badminton finals.
- iii) **Should one of the top 2 finishers not be able to play in the York Region Championship, the 3rd place finisher will be entered in the next round. Each player who finished behind the player who is withdrawing will be seeded one position higher in the draw for the next tournament. In the event that another player has to withdraw, then the 4th place finisher will also move on. If it occurs that the 3rd or 4th place player cannot be informed in time to be able to attend the York Region Finals due to a last minute withdrawal, then a bye will be entered in the tournament draw in the 2nd place seed and the remaining players will fill the 1st seed position from his/her region. Under no circumstances are substitutions allowed. Only the players who competed in the regional semi-final tournament and qualified to advance may play in the York Region Championship. If one member of a doubles team has to withdraw, then his/her partner is also automatically withdrawn from the tournament.**

For the semi-final tournament (Round 2), the convenor will organize the seedings according to the following example for Zone A vs. Zone B.

<u>Top Half of the Draw</u>		<u>Bottom Half of the Draw</u>	
1A	3A	1B	3B
4B	2B	4A	2A

c) York Region Championship Tournament:

- i) final tournament
- ii) 1st and 2nd place finishers advance to OFSAA for seniors.
- iii) **at the York Region Senior Championship Tournament, 5th place must be determined in the event of a possible default or withdrawal by higher finishing players who have qualified for the OFSAA tournament.**
- iv) **in order to determine 5th place: if the two teams have previously met in the York Region Senior Championship Tournament, the winner of the match is the 5th place finisher. If the teams have not met previously, then a new match must be played.**

For the Championship Tournament (Round 3), the convenor will organize the seedings according to the following **rotation** depending on the year.

Top Half of the Draw

Year 1: (ie. 2009)

**1AB 1CD
2EF 2GH**

Year 2: (ie. 2010)

**1AB 1CD
2GH 2EF**

Year 3: (ie. 2011)

**1AB 1EF
2CD 2GH**

Bottom Half of the Draw

**2AB 2CD
1EF 1GH**

**2AB 2CD
1GH 1EF**

**2AB 2EF
1CD 1GH**

- d) OFSAA: The Senior Badminton Convenor or delegate will order sixteen (16) large YRAA T-shirts (to suit OFSAA regulations) to be worn by the players at the OFSAA Championships. The cost will be absorbed by all the schools participating at OFSAA

8. Tournament Play:

- a) There is to be no longer than ten (10) minutes rest between back-to-back games....also, that there be no longer than five (5) minutes of injury time for assessment. Coaching is allowed between games one and two for a maximum of ninety (90) seconds, but NOT during play. Players are not allowed to leave the court.

Coaching is allowed during the **two** minutes break between the second and third games of a match, but not during play. Players can leave the court during the five minute break.

- b) At the zone level and Regional Semi Final Tournament the tournament will be a modified double elimination. The winner of the right side final will place first in the zone. There will be no challenge from the winner of the left side.
- c) At the York Region Senior Championships, the format will be a modified double elimination. The consolation winner can challenge unless A side beat B side in previous round/match of the finals. The top two finishers in each event at the Senior Level advance to OFSAA.
- d) The York Region Championships consist of eight (8) team/individuals for each event (the top two finishers in each event advance from **regional semi-final** play)
- e) At the York Region Championships, in the event of a tie for the overall team championship, the tie will be broken by awarding the title to the school with:
- i) the greater number of first place finishes, if still tied...

- ii) the greater number of second place finishes, if still tied...
 - iii) the greater number of third place finishes.
 - iv) If still tied, the schools should be declared co-champions.
- f) Points for Placings: The points for placings at the York Region Championships are as follows:
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| 1st place | 8 pts |
| 2nd place | 5 |
| 3rd place | 3 |
| 4th place | 2 |

9. Dress:

- a. During competition players may wear:
 - i) Whites (shirt and shorts/skirt, one piece outfit)
 - T-shirt (long or short sleeve) or collared shirt that is 90% white
 - No sports club insignia shall be permitted on uniforms. This shall include club names, OFSAA championships, etc.
 - ii) the school designated badminton uniform (athletic/physical education uniform bearing school colours).
 - iii) Players may wear headgear and/or track pants for religious/medical reasons in consultation with the convenor. Hats are not permitted.
- 2. Doubles and mixed players must wear similar uniforms.
- 3. During warm-up players may wear t-shirts and track suits which conform to the criteria in article 1(a) above. No insignia is permissible other than the manufacturer's logo.
- 4. It is the responsibility of players and coaches, not the convenor, to make certain all players are properly attired. Inappropriately dressed competitors will not be allowed to play and must forfeit their match.

10. Supervision of Teams/Individuals:

- a) All teams or individuals must have on site supervision by a member of the teaching staff or retired teacher from the school that they represent.
- b) This teacher shall be responsible to the YRAA for the conduct of his/her team and shall be the only person involved in all exchanges with officials, opposing teacher/coaches and member of school staffs.
- c) A non-teacher (community volunteer, parent, etc.) is permitted to assist in the coaching of an individual or team provided that a teacher is present and responsible.
- d) The teacher must be present on the bench for team sorts or in the immediate vicinity for all other sports.

- e) Unless the staff member (as defined in Section 1 a) above) of the competing school is present, the opposing teacher/coach and/or convenor shall not allow the game to begin or an individual to compete and the competition shall be forfeited.
- f) No teacher/coach shall officiate a game involving his/her team.
- g) It is the teacher/coaches' duty to ensure the accuracy of the information provided on the game sheets compared to the team's eligibility list.

11. Awards:

For the YRAA Championships:

Junior: 8 – **Tier 1** 1st place medallions, 8 – 2nd place medallions and 8 – 3rd place medallions
6 – Tier 2 1st place medallions, 6 2nd place medallions and 6 3rd place medallions

Senior: 8 - 1st place medallions, 8 - 2nd place medallions and 8 – 3rd place medallions

Junior and Senior Team Trophies **for Tier 1 only.**

Ribbons will be provided for 4th place finishers at the YRAA Championships.

September 2010

Badminton

Equipment	Clothing/Footwear	Facilities	Special Rules/Instructions	Supervision
<p>A fully stocked first aid kit must be readily accessible.</p> <p>A working communication device (e.g., cell phone) must be accessible.</p> <p>Determine that all equipment is safe for use.</p> <p>Racquets must be inspected regularly for breakage and to determine proper grip.</p> <p>Protective eye gear meeting ASTM F803-standard or equivalent must be worn by all(singles and doubles) for competition and all practice situations.</p>	<p>Appropriate clothing and footwear must be worn.</p> <p>No hanging jewelry.</p>	<p>Determine that all facilities are safe for use.</p> <p>Playing surface and surrounding area must be free of all obstacles (e.g., tables, chairs), and must provide sufficient traction.</p> <p>Court boundary lines must be clearly defined.</p> <p>A safety procedure must be established for side-by-side courts.</p>	<p>Skills must be taught in proper progression.</p> <p>Games must be based on skills that are taught.</p> <p>Where the activity takes the athlete off campus, parents/guardians must be made aware of means of transportation used.</p> <p>Be aware of athletes whose medical condition (e.g., asthma, anaphylaxis, casts, orthopaedic device) may affect participation (see Generic Section).</p> <p>A student athlete's fitness level must be commensurate with the level of competition.</p> <p>When teaching/practicing skills, adequate spacing must be allowed for each athlete to be able to make an uninterrupted swing.</p> <p>The code of etiquette for court play must be taught and enforced,(e.g., not entering a court being used).</p> <p>Players must stop play whenever a foreign object comes onto the court.</p> <p>Encourage front court player to avoid facing partner during a rally.</p>	<p>On-site supervision is required during initial instruction</p> <p>In-the-area supervision is required after initial instruction.</p> <p>Setting up of equipment requires on-site supervision.</p>

Also see Generic Issues and Introduction to Activity Page Components Sections to view complete safety requirements.