



**YORK REGION ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
SR BOYS BASKETBALL PLAYING REGULATIONS**



1. Season of Play: Winter Sport
2. Divisions: Tier 1
3. Eligibility:
 - a) Age Division Categories
 - Senior: School Year: **2025-26**
Year of birth must be no earlier than: **2006**
Date of entry to grade 9, no earlier than August of: **2021**
 - b) A student/athlete must be on the team roster to be eligible to participate. The team roster must be completed on the YRAA website prior to the commencement of the first league game.
 - c) Any student at a school with a Prep/Elite basketball team must live in the catchment area for that school to be eligible to play on a YRAA basketball team. Bill Crothers SS is exempt from this rule as Primary Sport Basketball players are already ineligible for YRAA play.
4. Governing Rules:
 - a) Games shall be played by the rules as laid down in the F.I.B.A Rule Book with the following exceptions:
 - I. Federation lines will be used, even where FIBA lines are available.
 - II. The colour of the sleeves and/or tights of any length and/or head band must be the same as the dominant uniform colour or black
 - III. All players must be wearing the same colour sleeves and/or tights
 - b) Length of games
 - I. Eight (8) minute quarters.
 - II. Half time, five (5) to ten (10) minutes, as requested.
 - c) League Play: Placement of teams within leagues will occur as follows,

Zones will be set by geographic area. Unless there are fewer than 28 teams entered in the league the league will be set into four zones. Zones will be set to make as balanced a schedule as possible given the number of teams entered and location of each school entered.



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d) The following tie breaking procedure will be used when teams are tied and their placement in the playoff draw must be determined.

- I. head-to-head competition between tied teams;
- II. point differential between tied teams;
- III. point differential in all games played in their division.
- IV. fewest points against for the season

NOTE: A maximum differential of 15 point differential can be achieved in any one game

e) If a team wishes to withdraw from the playoffs without penalty they must notify the YRAA before the start of their 5th game of the season.

5. General Information:

Board of Reference:

a) The coach of an ejected player must ensure that the student-athlete does not participate in any York Region Athletics until they are deemed eligible by the Board of Reference. Failure of a coach to do so will result in the forfeit of their team from all competitions in which the ejected player participated.

b)

- I. All ejections shall be written up on the appropriate Disqualification Report form, available at the scorers' and timers' table.
- II. The completed ejection form is to be forwarded to the YRAA Athletic Coordinator.
- III. Any ejections for abuse of official require a Board of Reference
- IV. Ejections not requiring a board of reference
 - a. Accumulation of 5 fouls 0 games
 - b. Two technical fouls (see below) 0 games
 - i. *dunking or attempting to dunk a ball
 - ii. during a dead ball period or grasping the rim
 - iii. *breaking the throw-in plane and contacting either the ball or the player holding the ball
 - iv. *wearing a uniform with an illegal number
 - v. *wearing an illegal uniform top or shorts
 - vi. *slapping the backboard while attempting to block a shot
 - vii. *substitutes entering the court before being beckoned
 - viii. *a player leaving the court without permission or delaying their return, (i.e. avoiding a screen)
 - c. Two technical fouls unsportsmanlike behavior 1 game
 - d. Flagrant Foul 2 games



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6. 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 members 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 all games for team sports 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.
7. Criteria for Qualification to OFSAA:
 - I. All teams are eligible for OFSAA competition
 - II. There will be an AAA YRAA Championship and an A/AA YRAA Championship
 - III. Rankings for the AAA and A/AA playoffs will be determined as follows (see appendix “A”)
 - IV. Determination of the “AAA” OFSAA REP

The “AAA” YRAA Champion will be the OFSAA representative from the YRAA.
 - V. Determination of the “AA” OFSAA REP

The highest finishing “AA” team in the YRAA A/AA playoffs will be the OFSAA representative from YRAA. If the top two “AA” teams progress to the same level, they shall play a separate playoff game to determine the YRAA OFSAA representative. The game shall be played at the school with the highest ranking in the regular season.
 - VI. Determination of the “A” OFSAA REP

The top 2 advancing “A” teams in the A/AA YRAA playoffs shall have a one game playoff to determine the YRAA OFSAA rep. The game shall be played at the school with the highest ranking in the regular season. The only exception shall be when the top 2 advancing “A” teams meet each other in the course of the YRAA playoffs, In which case the game shall double as the OFSAA qualifier as well.



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8. Inclement Weather Protocol:

- a) In the event of inclement weather, games may be cancelled and rescheduled if
 - I. the transportation company (bus) cancels the booking OR
 - II. the school principal determines that the weather is unsafe for teams to travel OR
 - III. the host school teacher/coach, in consultation with the Athletic Designate and/or school administration, determines the playing environment to be unsafe.

Whenever possible, it is recommended that a decision to cancel a game due to inclement weather or unsafe environment be made by 1:00 p.m. the day of the game

- b) Once this has happened the coach or AD of the school canceling shall:
 - I. notify the school(s) being played that they will not be able to play due to inclement weather or unsafe environment and
 - II. contact the YRAA office that the game is being cancelled.
- c) The YRAA office will:
 - I. keep a record of cancelled games in order to ensure that they are rescheduled
 - II. notify the referee assignor that the games are cancelled and will be rescheduled so that unnecessary travel by officials can be avoided

9. Costs:

The financial cost of the operation of the playoffs shall be shared equally by all schools participating in the league, regardless of classification (A, AA, AAA) on a per team basis.

10. Reporting Scores:

For league games coaches are to report scores through the Sports Admin System. Login as a coach, click on the 'Games' tab, find the game you want to enter the score for then click on the yellow 'Edit' button beside the game and then enter the score beside the corresponding team.

11. Awards: A/AA and AAA

Individual medallions (15) will be presented to the first and second place teams. A pennant and team trophy will be presented to each championship team.