



YORK REGION ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION SR GIRLS' BASKETBALL PLAYING REGULATIONS



1. Season of Play: Fall Sport
2. Divisions: Senior
3. Classifications: Tier 1, Tier 2, Tier 3
 - a) The minimum number of teams to run a league will be 4. If less than 4 teams declare for a league, the convenor(s) of the league may appeal to the executive for an exception. Appeals must be heard before the pre-season meeting for that sport.
 - b) If a sport declares less than 4 teams three years in a row, the sport will no longer be offered as an option by the YRAA.
4. Eligibility:
 - a) See YRAA transfer policy
 - b) Age Division Categories

School Year: **2019-20**

Year of Birth must be no earlier than: **2000**

Date of Entry to grade 9 must be no earlier than August of: **2015**

- c) A student/athlete must be on the team roster at the proper age group 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, or as indicated in the particular sport playing regulations.
 - d) **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. This rule will be applicable to any new students at that school as of September 1st 2019.**
5. Governing Rules:
 - a) Refer to the most current OPHEA safety guidelines for this sport
 - b) 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) A shot clock will be used. Shot clocks will be 35 seconds. Full reset on fouls, shots off the rim, change of possession or a kick ball.
 - iii) 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
 - iv) All players must be wearing the same colour sleeves and/or tights
 - v) Allow "live ball" timeouts with FIBA application



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c) **Technical Fouls:**

- i) All players ejected from a game because of unsportsmanlike behaviour or a flagrant foul shall be required to appear before a Board of Reference.
- ii) If either of the two technical fouls is awarded for unsportsmanlike behaviour, then the disqualification merits a Board of Reference.
- iii) Two accumulated technical fouls for the following infractions should NOT, unless unsportsmanlike behaviour is displayed, cause a player to be brought before a Board of Reference:
 - 1) dunking or attempting to dunk a ball during a dead ball period, or grasping the ring;
 - 2) breaking the throw-in plane and contacting either the ball or the player holding the ball;
 - 3) wearing a uniform with an illegal number;
 - 4) wearing an illegal top or shorts;
 - 5) slapping the backboard while attempting to block a shot;
 - 6) substitutes entering the court before being beckoned;
 - 7) a player leaving the court without permission or delaying her return (ie., avoiding a screen).
- iv) the official(s) shall clearly indicate on the form whether the technical foul fits into i), ii), or iii) above.
- v) no player disqualified due to the accumulation of five (5) total fouls, unless the final one is flagrant or unsportsmanlike, should be brought before a Board of Reference.
- vi) all ejections shall be written up on the appropriate Disqualification Report Form available at the scorers' and timers' table.
- vii) the completed ejection form is to be faxed to the appropriate member of the Board of Reference and then sent in the courier as well.

d) **Length of Games**

- i) Stop time
- ii) Eight (8) minute quarters
- iii) Half time-five(5) to ten(10) minutes, as requested

e) **Season Play**

- i) Teams will declare Tier 1, Tier 2 or Tier 3 for regular season play.
- ii) All teams are eligible for playoffs and for OFSAA competition
- iii) All teams will play 8 regular season games
- iv) Placement of teams within leagues will occur as follows,

a) **Tier 1**

Tier 1 is a 9 team maximum league. Using the final places from the previous year's regular season standings,



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1. The top 6 teams in Tier 1 gain automatic entry to Tier 1 if they wish to be Tier 1
2. The top 3 teams in Tier 2 gain automatic entry to Tier 1 if they wish to be Tier 1
3. If spots still remain the order of choice for Tier 1 will be as follows 7th – 9th place Tier 1 and then 4th onward place Tier 2 until 9 Tier 1 teams are found
4. There must be a minimum of 6 teams for a Tier 1 league. IF less than 6 teams declare Tier 1, Tier 1 and Tier 2 will combine to form Tier 1 and Tier 3 will become Tier 2.

b) Tier 2 or Tier 3

1. To declare Tier 2 a team must have either been Tier 1, Tier 2 or in the top half of the standings from Tier 3 the previous year
2. To declare Tier 3 a team must have either been Tier 3 or in the bottom half of the standings from Tier 2 the previous year or a new team to the league.
3. Tier 2 and Tier 3 have no limit on team numbers.
4. A Tier 2 team can appeal to the YRAA executive to move to Tier 3

- f) Teams in Tier 3 may opt to play in a separate friendly playoff with other tier 3 teams instead of the current YRAA playoff system. The format of the friendly playoff will be determined based on the locations and number of teams entered. Teams must declare their intent to play in the Tier 3 playoff before the start of their 5th game of the season or they will automatically be placed in the regular YRAA playoff bracket

g) Tie Breaking Procedures

The following tie breaking procedures will be used when there is a tie for a playoff position:

- i) head to head competitions between tied teams
- ii) point differential between tied teams
- iii) total point differential for the season
- iv) fewest points against for the season

Note: A maximum of a 15 point differential can be achieved in any one game.

h) Playoffs and Qualification for OFSAA

- i) All teams are eligible for OFSAA competition
- ii) There will be an AAA YRAA Championship and an A/AA YRAA Championship
- iii) Placement in the appropriate playoff brackets shall be determined by the regular season standings.



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- iv) Rankings for playoffs will be determined as follows;
 - 1. Tier 1 teams get rankings 1 to however many teams are in tier 1.
 - 2. Tier 2 teams get the next highest rankings following the tier 1 team rankings
 - 3. Tier 3 teams get the next highest rankings following the tier 2 team rankings
 - 4. The playoff brackets will be set as follows (see appendix AandB)

- v) Determination of the "AAA" OFSAA REP
The "AAA" YRAA Champion will be the OFSAA representative from the YRAA.

- vi) 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.

- vii) 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.

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 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 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.



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7. **Costs:**

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

8. **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.

9. **Awards: A/AA and AAA**

Individual medallions (18) will be presented to the first and second place teams. A pennant and team trophy will be presented to the A/AA and AAA champions.