

NORTHWESTERN ONTARIO SECONDARY SCHOOLS ATHLETIC ASSOCIATIONS
BADMINTON
PLAYING REGULATIONS
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1. Championship Court Availability and Practice Times

If court availability is limited to six or less: participating schools must be prepared to play matches against their association the evening prior to the competition day by mutual consent (ie. a two-day competition).

It is the responsibility of the convenor to provide open gym time the evening prior to the NWOSSAA competition so that teams may practice.

2. Entry Rules

In all events, the rules are as follows:

No player may compete in more than one event.

The champion and runner-up in each event from each association shall be eligible to compete in the NWOSSAA championship.

Substitutes may be used to fill positions in the event of illness, injury, etc. The substitutes being the next in line from the associations (ie. third place).

Should an association not be able to send two entries, the host association will then have the opportunity to fill the event. If the host association cannot fill the event then the third association will be given the opportunity to send substitutes.

Anyone who has previously defaulted on a match or matches at a previous NWOSSAA Badminton Championship shall not be allowed to enter. (See Rules of Play)

3. Tournament Format

All NWOSSAA badminton tournaments are a round-robin format.

The competition will include the following events in **Senior and Junior Divisions:**

Girls' Singles
Boys' Singles
Girls' Doubles
Boys' Doubles
Mixed Doubles

The first and second-place qualifiers from each association shall play each other in the first scheduled games.

4. Rules of Play

The rules of Badminton Canada shall govern play with OFSAA amendments.

The NWOSSAA badminton playing regulations follow the OFSSA badminton regulations regarding protective eyewear that includes side protection as per ASTM F803 designation.

Warm-up time will be limited to one minute.

Coaching shall not exceed one minute during each game when the leading score reaches 11 points and shall not exceed one minute between games.

Players should call out the running score after each point to minimize confusion.

The same shuttle that is being used for the OFSAA championships will be used throughout the tournament.

All competitors should wear whites or school uniforms (as outlined in the OFSAA Badminton Playing Regulations).

Competitors must return all birds to the scorer's table at the completion of each match when reporting scores. Winners of the match must report.

The schedule is only a guide. Coaches will ensure that their teams are present throughout the tournament. If the tournament is running ahead of schedule, a late team will be defaulted if more than 5 minutes late.

Players who purposely default on a match or matches for unsportsmanlike reasons (not related to medical considerations) will not be permitted to compete in the NWOSSAA Badminton Championship.

There shall be a referee-in-chief appointed by the site convenor. The referee-in-chief will settle all disputes. Consultation with all concerned will assist his/her final decision.

6. Scoring of Association and School Championships

The Junior Team and Association point totals and Senior Team and Association point totals are kept separate.

Team and Association totals will be calculated as follows for each event:

First	10 points
Second	8 points
Third	6 points
Fourth	4 points
Fifth	2 points
Sixth	1 point

Association Championship

The association with the greatest number of points at the end of the Senior competition will be declared NWOSSAA Champion (i.e. either NSSSAA, SSSAA, or NorWOSSA). In the event of a tie, the association with the greatest number of gold medals shall be deemed the winner. If still tied; the association with the greatest number of silver medals shall be deemed the winner.

School Championship

The Senior school with the greatest number of points shall receive the NWOSSAA trophy.

7. Event Tie Breaking

In junior competition, only ties for first place will be broken using the prescribed formulas.

In the event of a two-way tie for first, second and/or third, the winner of the round robin match be declared the winner.

Three-way ties for first, second and third will be broken using the negative bye system. If a three-way tie does not affect medal placing, the points of the three places will be added together and divided by three. The points will be rounded off to the nearest whole number.

The negative bye tie breaker will work as follows. The bye will be determined by lottery. The team with the bye will play the loser of the match between the other 2 teams. The winner of the 2nd match will play the winner of the first match. Each match in the play-off will be one set (game).

In the event of a four-way tie for first, second or third place, the players/teams will be matched up A vs. B and C vs. D by draw, with the winners advancing to play each other. All matches are one set (game). If the four-way tie is for first place the losing teams will play off to determine the third place finisher.

8. Individual Awards

Senior

Presentation of NWOSSAA Medals will occur at the conclusion of the event. These awards will include:

- Gold medallions to the first place individual finishers in each event.
- Silver medallions to the second place individual finishers in each event.
- Bronze medallions to the third place individual finishers in each event.

Junior

The convenor will be responsible for the production and presentation of first, second and third place certificates to junior (exhibition) finalists.

9. OFSAA Qualification

The top two finishers in each **senior** event qualify for further OFSAA play. If one of the top two finishers does not wish to compete at OFSAA, substitutes can be made according to placement.

10. Deportment

Note: The convenor must bring behaviour expectations to the attention of coaches and athletes prior to the tournament.

The convenor will use the following criteria to impose sanctions to any athletes who are guilty of inappropriate behaviour:

-minor misbehaviour (e.g. Swearing under breath, striking one's self with racquet in frustration or anger, failing to return shuttle to opponent in a sportsmanlike manner) warning and loss of 1 point or side out.

-serious misbehaviour (e.g. Swearing aloud, striking racquet to floor, striking one's self with the racquet in anger or frustration after an initial warning, failing to return the shuttle to opponent in a sportsmanlike manner after an initial warning) loss of game; or loss of next game if the game in which the inappropriate behaviour occurred has been completed.

-flagrant/abusive misbehaviour (eg. threatening, fighting, throwing racquet, etc.): ejection from the tournament.