

GIRLS RUGBY

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1.0 DATE

The Girl's Rugby Championships shall be held one week prior to the OFSAA Championship. It will be a one day tournament.

2.0 LOCATION

The location of the championship shall be determined by the convenor. The convenorship shall follow a rotation as indicated in the calendar of rotating convenorships. The best available facility should be used.

3.0 TOURNAMENT STRUCTURE AND PROCEDURES

3.1 The Championship will follow Appendix 9.

3.2 The convenor must have a risk management plan for coaches that outlines clearly the nearest
i) hospital/medical centre
ii) emergency phone

3.3 The convenor must have suitable FIRST AID and/or SPORTS PHYSIOTHERAPY personnel on hand for the duration of the tournament.

4.0 ENTRY AND ENTRY FEES

4.1 It is the responsibility of Conference Convenor to communicate the WOSSAA representatives to the WOSSAA Convenor after the Conference Championship, no later than the next school day.

4.2 All schools will pay an entry fee. The amount of the entry fee will be set by the Convenor and will be sufficient to cover the fixed costs of the Championship.

5.0 ELIGIBILITY

5.1 All schools and players must satisfy the Constitution and ByLaws of WOSSAA.

5.2 To be eligible for a WOSSAA playoff game, a player must have dressed for at least one regular league game.

5.3 All competitors will satisfy the OFSAA Rugby Playing Regulations with respect to Eligibility.

6.0 RULES AND OFFICIALS

6.1 All WOSSAA games shall be governed by the rules as published by the Canadian Rugby Union (CRU) for the current year, except as noted below.

6.2 All games shall consist of two twenty minute (20) halves with a five minute (5) rest period if the tournament is a four team tournament.

All games will be two thirty minute (30) halves with a five minute (5) rest period if the tournament is a one game Championship.

6.3 Replacement of Players:

- a) There shall be unlimited substitution during the games or overtime on your own ball.
- b) Should a player be ejected from a game for flagrant abuse of the rules or abusive or profane language, she is no longer eligible for competition in the tournament and no replacement will be allowed for the remainder of that game during which the offense occurred.

- 6.4** Thirty (30) players shall be allowed to dress.
- 6.5** The WOSSAA rugby convenor shall be responsible for making all decisions specifically covered in these guidelines or the rules of the CRU.
- 6.6** All players must wear mouthguards.
- 6.7** Referees will inspect footwear of all players. Only rugby and/or soccer shoes will be allowed for players involved in scrummage situations. A team will forfeit a game if this safety standard cannot be met.
- 6.8** The selection and allocation of officials shall be the responsibility of the convenor after consultation with the chief official. It is expected that a 3 official system will be used for all WOSSAA Championship games.
- 6.9 Tie Breaking Procedures:**
- a) Two five minute halves with one minute between halves.
 - b) If still tied, each team will select three players from among players on the field at the end of the overtime period, who shall be organized to kick from a designated spot at the goal posts. (penalty kick). Each player will kick from the same spot. The spot shall be mid-way between the side lines on the 22 metre line. The team kicking first will be determined by a coin toss. The first round will consist of three (3) kicks from each team (alternately). If still tied, then sudden death alternating kicks will be used, using the same three (3) kickers.
- 6.10** Any player ejected from a WOSSAA game shall automatically receive an additional one game suspension. Further penalties may be assessed through the WOSSAA By-Laws.

7.0 AWARDS

The championship team will receive a WOSSAA plaque and each member of the winning team, a gold WOSSAA medal (30 maximum plus one for the coach and one for the manager). Each member of the WOSSAA finalist team will receive a silver WOSSAA medal (30 maximum plus one for the coach and one for the manager). Each member of the third place team will receive a bronze WOSSAA medal (30 maximum plus one for the coach and one for the manager).

8.0 OFSAA ENTRY

- 8.1** The Champion shall represent WOSSAA at the OFSAA Championship.
- 8.2** The convenor shall give the OFSAA package of information to the coach of the winning senior team.
- 8.3** The winning team will be responsible for paying their own OFSAA entry fee.