

AABHN PLAYING REGULATIONS

BOYS VOLLEYBALL

All coaches must be familiar with the content of the AABHN Constitution.

1. **Start Date** - First day of school in September

2. **Length of Season** – First day of school to OFSAA

3. Eligibility

All players must meet the eligibility criteria as outlined in Article 12 in the AABHN Constitution.

4. Eligibility Lists

a) Submission

A completed and correct OFSSA Hub eligibility list for all AABHN inter-school competitions must be submitted to the convenor by the deadline given at the pre-season meeting. The names of all potential players and coaches, and managers and/or others affiliated with a team must be included on the OFSAA Hub eligibility list. Each eligibility list is to clearly identify the head coach.

5. League Structure

a) Double Round Robin (home and away).

b) Each school to provide their own balls for warm-up.

c) Game times to be set by host school in communication with the Convenor.

d) Should there be a need for a change in start time, it must be negotiated by participating schools. The Convenor/Athletic Co-Ordinator should be notified of the change.

e) If a second CWOSSA qualifier is awarded, the 2 teams that were eliminated at the point in the playoffs will play-off. The team that finished higher in the regular season will host.

f) Game Sheets/Score Sheets - The Home team is responsible for supplying the score keeper, timekeeper, shot clock operator, score sheets, and game ball.

b) League Play

- i. Wherever possible matches will be doubleheaders
- ii. All matches will be best three (3) out of five (5) games
- iii. A 5-5-5 warm-up format will be used before the first match
- iv. an adequate warm up (minimum five (5) and five (5) will be provided between the first and second matches

c) Playing Rules

All matches will be played following the rules and regulations as outlined in the Ontario Volleyball rule book with the following exceptions:

- i. Players must be in their playing uniform prior to the 5-5-5 warm-up.
- ii. 12 players may be listed on the game sheet.
- iii. Two (2), 1 minute time outs per set
- iv. Net height: Junior boys 2.35 m; Senior boys 2.43m
- v. The libero number must be indicated on the score sheet for each set. The 2 libero system may be used. The libero shirt must match the game shirt number. The libero shirt must be distinctive from the team shirts but must be a school jersey.
- vi. An identified OCT member employed by the Board must be on the bench throughout the duration of all games where a community coach/non OCT member is involved as the head coach.
- vii. All matches should begin on the scheduled start time. Failure of a team to be ready at scheduled time will be penalized by the loss of the First set by forfeit. A further 15 minutes will be allowed before forfeiture of the second set. Forfeiture of the third set (if necessary) will occur after an additional 15 minutes. Coaches should be considerate of such factors as transportation issues or inclement weather.

d) Scoring System

- i. Matches are to be best of five (5) games
- ii. First four (4) games are to twenty-five (25) rally points. Cap at twenty-seven (27) for league play
- iii. 5th game is fifteen (15) rally points cap at seventeen (17) during regular season. No cap in playoffs (semis or finals) in the 5th game only

e) Starting Times

- i. Game times to be set by host school in communication with the Convenor.
- ii. The second match of a double header will start fifteen (15) minutes after the conclusion of the first match
- iii. Should there be a need for a change in start time, it must be negotiated by participating schools. The Convenor/Athletic assistant must be notified of the change

f) Game Sheets/Score Sheets

- i. The Home team is responsible for supplying the score keeper, score sheets, nets, antennae, and game ball
- ii. Score sheets must be in triplicate

g) Results

- i) The home team must forward an original or electronic copy of the game sheet to the Convenor no later than the day following the game.
- ii) The host school coach will provide the game results including top scorers to the media (e.g., newspaper, radio).
- iii) The Convenor will maintain and update the league standings.

h) Tie Breaking Procedures for play-off positions

Note: CWOSSA/OFSAA tie breaking rules will be enforced

Where a tie exists in league standings:

(i) If two (2) teams are tied at the end of the season for positions in the championship playoffs.

- a) Head to Head
- b) set differential between the tied teams
- c) least points against between the tied teams in the game or games involving the tied teams.
- d) the most total sets won during season play
- e) least total points against (all games played)
- f) point differential (all games played)
- g) If still tied, the following equation shall come into effect “goals/points for” minus “goals/points against” divided by “goals/points against”

ii) If 3 or more tied teams: After 1st place is declared...

- (a) The team having the best ratio of **won/lost matches**, considering the matches played among the tied teams only in season play, will be ranked higher.
- (b) The team having the best ratio of **won/lost sets**, considering matches played **among the tied teams only** in season play, will be ranked higher.
- (c) The team having the best ratio of won/lost sets (games), considering **all** matches in the season will be ranked higher.
- (d) The team having the best ratio of points for/against, considering games played between the tied teams in season play will be ranked higher.
- (e) The team having the best ratio of points for/against, considering all games played in the season, will be ranked higher.

6. Championship Structure

- i. The home team for all play-off games shall be the team with the highest standing following regular season play.
- ii. Playoffs will consist of Quarter Finals, Semi Finals and Finals. Playoff format will be determined based on the number of schools participating in each league. Refer to Constitution for formats regarding an even and odd number of teams in a league.
- iii. All play-off games will be a one (1) game sudden victory format.
- iv. Start Times – all times should be mutually agreed upon by both participating schools
- v. Quarter Final games will be played at the site of the higher standing team during regular season play.
- vi. All semifinals to be played at the location of the highest standing remaining team.
- vii. All finals to be played at the location of the highest standing SENIOR team (both Junior and Senior Finals to be played at the same location).

7. Officials

- i. Where possible, OVA officials will be used for both league and playoff matches
- ii. Official fees will be paid centrally by the District Association.

12. Finances

- a) Those schools having entries in the regular season will split costs evenly. Fees will be paid by the Association.
- b) All schools making playoffs will pay bases on a per game cost basis.
- c) Costs for finals will be split evenly among all league participating teams if gate is collected.

12. Awards

- a) Team trophy for the league champions