

## Small School Athletic Federation (SSAF)

### Technical Guidelines

#### *Under 14 Badminton*

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#### *General Rules*

#### **Categories**

- (1) Each school may enter two teams for the following events. Each student may play in only one event.
  - a) Boy's Singles
  - b) Boy's Doubles
  - c) Girl's Singles
  - d) Girl's Doubles
  - e) Mixed Doubles

#### **Tournament Format**

- (2) Tournament play will be modified double elimination.
- (3) The governing rules will be the **New I.B.F. scoring system** as written in the O.B.A. rulebook of the current year. Books are available from BADMINTON CANADA or go to the website [www.internationalbadminton.org](http://www.internationalbadminton.org).

#### **Uniform**

- (4) Please enforce that team players only wear:
  - a) OFFICIAL SCHOOL ATHLETIC UNIFORM – T-shirt with sleeves and shorts with name of school clearly marked. No pants, hats or headgear (except for religious or medical reasons, please inform convener).
  - b) Please have players remove all jewelry. No markings indicating clubs or badminton championships.
  - c) Eyewear is mandatory (you have to bring your own!)

(Please note that you may be disqualified if the convener deems attire is inappropriate or not conducive to play).

#### **Procedure for Matches**

- (5) All players will be assigned a number. Players will have 4 minutes to start play after their numbers are called. This will include warm-up time. A second call will be made after 2 minutes. Players failing to appear within 4 minutes may be forced to forfeit.
- (6) When a player's name is called for a match, the player is asked to report to the scorer's table to pick up a game shuttle. If a new shuttle is required during the match, the old one must be turned in. When the match is finished, the winner must return the shuttle to the scorer's desk and report the score.
- (7) Yellow shuttles will be available.
- (8) The first service of the first game will be decided by a spin of the racquet or a toss of the bird. In subsequent games, the winner of the previous game will take the first service.
- (9) A match consists of the best two out of three games.

- (10) The side that first scores 21 points shall win; the side winning a rally shall add 1 point to its score.
- (11) The player(s) shall change sides at the end of each game and part way through the last game (at 11 points).
- (12) When the score becomes 20-20, a team has to win the game by 2 points. If the score becomes 29-29, the side that scores the 30<sup>th</sup> point shall win that game.
- (13) The side winning a game serves first in the next game.
- (14) When one side reaches 11 points, both players get a 60 second break.
- (15) Both sides get a 2 minute break between first and second games, and another 2 minute break between second and third game. Players may not leave the courts at this time.
- (16) Please note: For doubles matches, the rules are one service only, back service line remains and the current rule applies.
- (17) Competitors are responsible for calling their own lines, keeping their own scores, etc. If a problem arises, players should confer with the convener. The convener may designate an umpire and/or provide lines people for that match.
- (18) Coaches and team members (spectators) are reminded that no coaching, including the calling of the lines, shall take place during the match. Coaching is allowed for a 1-minute period between games.
- (19) Players must follow proper court etiquette. Inappropriate behaviour will not be tolerated. (i.e.: loud, profane, abusive language, unsportsmanlike behaviour, etc.) The player will risk disqualification.
- (20) Substitutions may be made up until the first game of a player. If a player is injured, the team will forfeit.
- (21) There is to be no longer than a ten (10) minute rest between back-to-back matches.
- (22) There will be no longer than five (5) minutes of injury time for assessment per match.

## ***Awards***

### **ROUND 1**

The top 4 places in North Division and top 4 places in South Division for each event move on to the FINAL SSAF Championships. A 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> place will be determined as an alternate player.

- (23) Team Awards
  - a) 1<sup>st</sup> place – 5 points
  - b) 2<sup>nd</sup> place – 3 points
  - c) 3<sup>rd</sup> place – 2 point
  - d) 4<sup>th</sup> place – 1 point

First place team will be presented with the SSAF banner.

**Individual Awards:**

Medals will be presented to the first place finisher in each event.

Ribbons will be awarded to the second, third and fourth place finisher in each event.