

TDCAA SENIOR BOYS VOLLEYBALL Booklet

2023 – 2024

OFFICIAL

PART A: SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

Ontario Physical Activity Safety Standards in Education (OPASSE)

All coaches must review and follow the most recent copy of the [OPASSE GUIDELINES](#) for the sport they are coaching (under Secondary, Interschool)

Please take special note of the following requirements associated with:

Risk Management

First Aid

Special Rules/Instructions

Supervision

Coaches Expectations & Qualifications (for further information on sport specific NCCP training, visit www.coach.ca)

Excursion/Permission Forms: [TCDSB](#) [OPHEA SAMPLE](#)

Concussion Awareness and Safety

In accordance with Policy/Program Memorandum No. 158, the TDCAA will follow and support the mandates of Rowan's Law. The following must occur annually, at the commencement of the athletic season:

a) coaches must complete the on-line [TDCAA Coaches Concussion Code of Conduct](#)

b) coaches will have student athletes review and follow a Concussion Code of Conduct:

[TCDSB Student Code of Conduct](#) (in section 8)

[OPHEA's Sample Code of Conduct](#)

c) coaches will provide Ontario Concussion Awareness Resources to student athletes and parents: [Concussion Guides for Athletes and Parents](#)

In the event of a suspected concussion convenors, coaches, and student athletes must follow an established Return to Play Protocol.

Note: TCDSB has established [Concussion Return to Play Protocols](#) for its students and coaches to follow. Non TCDSB participants should reference their Board's or [OPHEA's Concussion Protocols](#)

Coaches may find it useful to have a recognized [Sport Concussion Recognition Tool](#) with them for practices and competition.

Supervision – Visiting Teams

Each school along with the coach should be aware of the local policy in each school regarding visitors.

In situations where teams are specifically bringing fans (fan bus) appropriate supervision from all participating schools that does not include the team coach(es) must be provided. Communication with school administration of participating schools is prudent in these situations.

PART B: FROM TDCAA CONSTITUTION

TDCAA Senior Boys Volleyball is an official TDCAA activity. Boys Volleyball follows OPHEA/OPASSE OFSAA, and the Volleyball Canada playing regulations.

REGISTRATION

Schools must register for Senior Boys Volleyball at designated time. A school may withdraw its team before distribution of the final schedule. The school will be charged only the \$ 25.00 registration fee. A school who withdraws its team after the schedule has been distributed will assume the following actions:

- automatic \$100 fine
- automatically ineligible for competition in Senior Boys Volleyball the following year. (This can be appealed to the TDCAA executive.)

ELIGIBILITY/TRANSFERS

Eligible athletes must satisfy the By-Laws and Standing Rules as per the TDCAA Constitution.

- All eligibility is completed electronically through Athletic Eligibility List System (HUB) which is coordinated through the OFSAA office. Athletic Directors have the code for their schools to access HUB.
- Eligibility must be completed before the first league game. (It is recommended that registration be completed before first practice). In a single day meet or tournament format , eligibility must be filed at least three days prior to the meet or tournament.
- Athletes as well as coaches must be included on the HUB site.

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- Approved transfers are included on the eligibility form. Athletes who have not been approved must not be included until the athlete has been approved.
- All students who transfer into your school (excluding Grade 9-first year of high school) are ineligible for competition for a period of twelve months from the date of transfer. To become eligible, transfer students must complete the “TRANSFER APPEAL FORM” and forward to the TDCAA Transfer Chairperson (Lorraine Kelly (West) & Maggie Carnevale (East) – Senator O’Connor). An athlete awaiting Transfer Appeal decision is ineligible to play in any games (league or exhibition or tournament). This athlete may practice with the team until the transfer has been approved and the athletic director has been notified.
- An student who transfers into your school in second semester is ineligible to compete in winter sports (Alpine Skiing; Snowboarding; Swimming; Jr & Sr. Girls’ Volleyball, Boys’ & Girls’ Hockey, and Jr. & Sr. Boys’ Basketball even if their transfer is approved
- An athlete whose transfer is denied has the right to appeal the decision to the TDCAA Transfer Appeal Board.

ELIGIBILITY/AGE

- Boys only
- Open Grades 9-12
- Eligibility for the TDCAA and OFSAA is based on the athlete’s year of birth An athlete is eligible to compete in high school sports for five years from the time they entered grade nine .
- Senior – Athlete must not have reached their 19th birthday by January 1 prior to the start of the school year in which the competition is held (January 1 , 2023)
- Junior – Athlete must not have reached their 15th birthday by January 1 prior to the start of the school year in which the competition is held (January 1 , 2023)
- Novice – Athlete must not have reached their 14th birthday by January 1 prior to the start of the school year in which the competition is held (January 1 , 2023). They must also be in Grade 9 (eligibility for novice is one year only

There is no appeal to this rule.

Please link to TDCAA website for dates for each new school year.

ELIGIBILITY / ACADEMICS

An athlete must be a bona fide student at their school.

Students With Less Than 22 Credits:

-non-semester schools – must be registered in a minimum of six (6) full day school credit courses.

-semester schools– must be registered in a minimum of three (3) full day credit courses in the semester that Field Hockey takes place (Fall).

Students With More Than 22 Credits:

-non-semester schools – must be registered in a minimum of four (4) full day school credit courses

-semester schools – must be registered in a minimum of two (2) full day credit courses in the semester that field hockey takes place (Fall).

LEAGUE STRUCTURE

- A) START TIME – All games shall begin no earlier than 3:30 unless agreed upon by the Principals of the participating schools. All double headers must start no later than 3:30 or earlier if all participating schools are in agreement.

- B) MAXIMUM NUMBER OF GAMES - Junior – 16; Senior – 20.

- C) AWARDS – In sports where there is less than six teams , only gold medals will be presented.

- D) DEFAULTED GAME – If a team defaults a regular season game , they will not be eligible for playoffs . A school may appeal the decision to the TDCAA Executive provided there were extenuating circumstances.

- E) CANCELLATION OF SCHOOL BUSES – If the TCDSB cancels buses for weather conditions, all scheduled games are automatically cancelled

PROTEST

Any protest must be made within 24 hours of the scheduled game or activity. Protests must be made in writing to Eva Roser (St. John Henry Newman)

PART C: SPORT SPECIFIC INFORMATION

SECTION A

VOLLEYBALL RULES: EXCEPTIONS TO OFSAA AND VOLLEYBALL CANADA(VC) RULES

Competitions shall be governed by the official rules of the **Volleyball Canada Rulebook/OFSAA** with the following **TDCAA/OFSAA** exceptions:

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Net Height : Senior 2.43m ; Junior 2.35m

Game Ball: Baden VCOR (Official OFSAA Game Ball)

Start Time: 3:30

FEES \$ 75.00 (\$ 37.50 for each team)

AWARDS

Banners and medals will be presented to the champions of Tier 1 & 2

DIVISIONS

TIER 1 (East / West) & TIER 2 (East / West)

LENGTH OF MATCH ; Best 3 of 5

MATCH PROTOCOL:

1. All matches are best 3 out of 5
2. All matches begin at 3:30 unless stated otherwise in the official schedule.
3. Warm up protocol is a 5 – 5
4. “Step in “ is permitted on any court that has less than 2 metres of free space behind any service line.
5. Teams will NO LONGER CHANGE SIDES

MEDICAL

Therapist – Not Required

TEAM ELIGIBILITY

A Junior player may play in two matches in senior without losing his junior eligibility. The player must be denoted as “junior” on the scoresheet. The term “play in” means they have to actually be a starter or a substitute for a starter during any set during the match to have been considered to have played.

*** Junior players cannot play in the playoffs or OFSAA playdowns if they want to maintain their junior eligibility. Playing in the playoffs or at OFSAA will result in the player not being eligible for the Junior season which takes place in the spring.

*** Junior Season: A junior player is only permitted to play on one junior team at his school if they enter more than one team.

Substitutions:

15.6.3 – A substitute may enter for the same player up to 12 times per match.

15.6.4 – There are 12 subs per set in total.

Libero

19.1.2 – The Libero must wear a jersey that is contrasting to the regular uniform – It can be unnumbered. It can be denoted as zero or a colour on the score sheet above the team name per set. ** It is strongly recommended that proper Libero jerseys be purchased as we do send teams to OFSAA each year and they follow proper uniform regulations. *

OFFICIALS:

At least one certified official must be provided. In case of game cancellation, the umpires shall be paid if they could not be notified in advance.

The cost of officials will be \$ 75.00 split \$ 37.50 / \$ 37.50 for 3 out of 5. Fee to be paid to official prior to the match.

The official must sign the game sheet before it is sent to the convenor.

MINOR OFFICIALS

Each home team must provide a trained scorekeeper for home games.

Each team should provide one linesperson for the match. If there is some change to this protocol, the coaches must agree to the change prior to the match. If there is no agreement, then return to one representative from each team if possible.

Rules of Behaviour

TDCAA will adhere to the OFSAA Rules of Behaviour – Department (Reference By-Law 6, Section 2) (c) No artificial noisemakers are permitted

DISCIPLINE – EJECTIONS

- 1) Any player or coach that is ejected from a match will have to appear before the leagues disciplinary committee prior to being reinstated for play / coaching duties
- 2) The coach must report the ejection to the volleyball convenors immediately and to Dave DiMauro (St. Basil's) david.dimauro@tcdsb.org
- 3) Please note that two yellow or a straight red card in volleyball means that a player is removed from one set only and not the whole match. This should be noted on the score sheet and be reported to the convenor.
- 4) Any defaulted must be reported to the convenor.
- 5) If a default is reported then the official should not be paid. Once the offending team has been identified , that school will be charged the full ref fee for that match.
- 6) A default can be appealed to the TDCAA within 24 hours of the default
- 7) Ejections & Sports Court
 - 1) A player or coach will need to attend Sports Court if they receive any of the following (accumulated over the course of the season):
 - a. 3 yellow cards (for unsportsmanlike conduct) *
 - b. 2 red cards (for unsportsmanlike conduct)
 - Delay and procedural warnings are not considered unsportsmanlike conduct

A player/coach is not eligible to play/coach (including exhibition matches/ tournaments) until they have been to Sports Court. Additional suspensions , if applicable, will be determined by the TDCAA Sports Court.

LEAGUE STRUCTURE

- 1) League Structure will be dependent on the number of teams entered.
- 2) TEAM DROPS OUT ONCE SEASON COMMENCES – team is removed from the schedule. All games that the team has played or is scheduled to play are considered 0 – 3 losses (0 – 25; 0 – 25; 0 – 25). Playoff seeding will be completed with all active teams.

SCHEDULING:

- Schedule will be developed by the convenor.
- A rough copy of the schedule shall be sent to coaches to check for conflicts. Coach and athletic director will have one week to sign off on their schedule.
- A final schedule will be sent to both athletic director and coach.
- No changes will be permitted to the final schedule unless made by the Executive.
- Failure to play a game will result in forfeiture.
- Rescheduling: under these two conditions
 - i Weather does not permit the game to be played
 - ii Official does not show up for the game

 - iii Damage to the gym

Making Changes to the League Schedule: Please contact the other coach/convenor via e-mail/phone to confirm the new date and time. The convenor will confirm the new date, location and referee.

STANDINGS :

Match Wins of 3 – 0 or 3 – 1 = 3 Points

Match Wins 3 – 2 = 2 Points

Match Loss 2 – 3 = 1 Point

Match Loss 0 – 3 or 1 – 3 = 0 Points

TOTAL POINTS DETERMINES OVERALL RANKING FOR PLAYOFFS

TIEBREAKERS (if two or more teams are tied for points)

- 1) Total Wins (of all league matches)
- 2) Head to Head Win Ratio
- 3) Head to Head Set Ratio
- 4) Set Ratio overall for the season against all opponents
- 5) Point Ratio overall against all points
- 6) Coin Toss

Defaulted Games: As per the TDCAA constitution. The win automatically awarded to the non-defaulting team. The score will be 0 - 3 awarded to the non-defaulting team. Any appeals related to the defaulted games must be made to Paul Solarski, Co-executive Director. The team who causes the default shall be responsible for all costs associated with game (referee's fee, field costs,...)

UNIFORMS: If possible, each team should have a distinctive uniform with numbered shirts.

EQUIPMENT:

PLEASE LIST EQUIPMENT THAT IS REQUIRED BY HOME TEAM

OFSAA Play Downs

- 1) All teams must declare their OFSAA level prior to the season at the coaches meeting
- 2) As determined by league vote, we will proceed with an OFSAA play down after the TDCAA champions has been declared, or sooner if possible.
- 3) The playoff format for each of A, AA, and AAA will be determined once the number of participating teams at each level is known.
- 4) The OFSAA play downs are not mandatory. Teams can opt out after the TDCAA championships
- 5) The Tier 1 champion will be declared the OFSAA rep in their respective division regardless of the number of teams who declared that division.
- 6) AAA Structure : In the event that an OFSAA play down for AAA teams is needed, the top two teams from both East & West Divisions will be able to participate. The top teams will be determined based on regular season standings. Should there be a tie , the playoff tie breaks will apply. The top AAA East & West teams will host the semi final matches . The winner of the semi final matches a final match (@ higher finisher during the regular season) to determine the AAA representative.
- 7) AA : In the event that an OFSAA play down for AA teams is needed , all AA teams who make at least the Quarter Finals are eligible for the play down. The seeding for the play down will be based on the regular season results.
- 8) A: In the event that an OFSAA play down for A teams is needed , all teams in Tier 1 are eligible. The seeding for the play down will be based on the regular season results.

PLAYOFF FORMAT

Playoff format will be determined at the coaches meeting. The format for both tiers will change from year to year based on the number of teams that are registered.

SECTION B

Convenor Information

- 1) Tier 1 - David Egan (Neil McNeil) - 647.970. 6175 – David.egan@tcdsb.org
- 2) Tier 2 – Tony Morale (Neil McNeil) – 416 – 779 – 9172 – Antonio.morale@tcdsb.org

Head Official (Assignor) Information : mbrandreth@rogers.com

REPORTING SCORES:

- 1) It is the responsibility of both coaches to report results by google form the same day of play (\$ 25.00 fine is charged for late or unreported scores)
- 2) It is the responsibility of the home team coach to forward the white copy of the score sheet via our Boards inter – office mail service to Tony Morale (Neil McNeil HS). Any of our associations schools that are not on the TCDSB courier system can hand the white sheet to the opposition coach who can courier it to Tony.

SUPERVISION:

For all TDCAA activities, there must be sufficient supervision of players at all times.

- Teams should not arrive at the visiting school before the coach arrives. If the coach is unable to arrive with or ahead of players, the home team should be informed.
- The Coach must remain with players at all times after the conclusion of the game. If players are travelling on TTC/cabs/cars, a coach must remain with the players until all players have safely left the school or boarded the bus.
- If TTC bus stop is some distance from the school or site of the game, the coach must travel with the players and remain with the players until they have safely boarded the bus.
- A game cannot begin unless there is a teacher coach on the bench. A Community coach must be accompanied by a teacher from the school before a game can commence.

