

SECTION IX - BADMINTON

1. Rules

The rules governing badminton shall be the laws of badminton as adopted by the International Badminton Federation and the Canadian Badminton Association.

Intervals:

A. A 1 minute interval is allowed during each game once one side reaches 11 points. The athlete is not allowed to leave the court.

Coaching:

B. Coaching will be allowed after the first set for one full minute and after the second set for two full minutes. During which time neither the coach nor the athlete may leave the court.

Note: Sufficient water and extra racquets should be with the player on court at the start of the match.

Officials:

C. There must be a qualified Badminton Alberta official present at every championship.

2. Season of Play

The season of play for badminton shall be January 3 to the provincial championships on the first Friday and Saturday in May. The season of play is not intended to include July and August. See SECTION V – ACTIVITIES, 3, pages 54-57 for more information.

3. Eligibility

A. A zone team shall consist of:

- i. six boys and six girls to play **singles** (two each in junior, intermediate and senior)
- ii. twelve boys and twelve girls to play **doubles** (two teams each in junior, intermediate and senior)
- iii. six boys and six girls to play **mixed doubles** (two teams each in junior, intermediate and senior)

B. Age categories are:

- i. junior under 16 before September 1 of that school year
- ii. intermediate under 17 before September 1 of that school year
- iii. senior under 19 before September 1 of that school year

Notes:

1. students with a birthday on September 1 of that school year must compete in the higher category.
2. an athlete may opt to play at an older age level but may play in only **one** event.

4. Events

A. Hosting of the provincial championship will be set on a rotating basis through the establishment of six regional hosting zones.

Rotation:

Central (C/SC)	2016/17
NW	2017/18
Calgary	2018/19
South	2019/20
North East	2020/21
Edmonton	2021/22

B. Singles, Doubles and Mixed

i. Venue recommendation to be assigned based on age category.

If host venue permits, all matches (BS, GS, BD, GD, XD) to be played in the same venue on the same court(s) until the completion of the matches. If host venue cannot accommodate the above, host will do their best to assign venues based on age category (junior, intermediate, senior).

ii. Schedule/Placement

All teams (singles, doubles and mixed) will play a minimum of four matches (8-12 games) and a maximum of six matches (12-18 games). All 16 teams in each event/category will be placed into 4 pools of four. Tournament Software will be utilized for the results.

The following annual rotation system will rotate the zones between Pool A, B, C and D. The zones will be ranked according to the prior year results. 1A and 1B will be the zone that finished the highest from the previous year. 1A will be the #1 seed from the first place zone and 1B will be the #2 seed from the first place zone and so on. The zones are ranked using the current point system we have for the team banners.

POOL A	POOL B	POOL C	POOL D
1A	1B	2A	2B
4B	4A	3B	3A
5A	5B	6A	6B
8B	8A	7B	7A

iii. Tiebreaks

1. All two-way ties in the round robin will be determined by the result of the match between the two tied players.
2. In a three-way tie, the players will be ranked 1, 2 and 3 based first

on games won minus games lost in all three of their matches in the round robin and second on points won minus points lost in all three of their matches in the round robin.

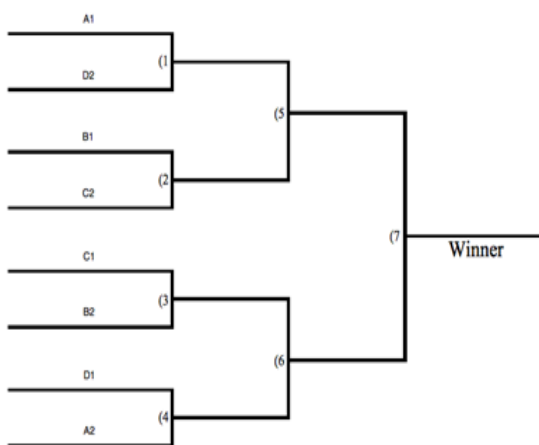
3. If there still remains a tie between two teams in games and points, there will be a revert to head to head between the two tied teams.

iv. Playoffs

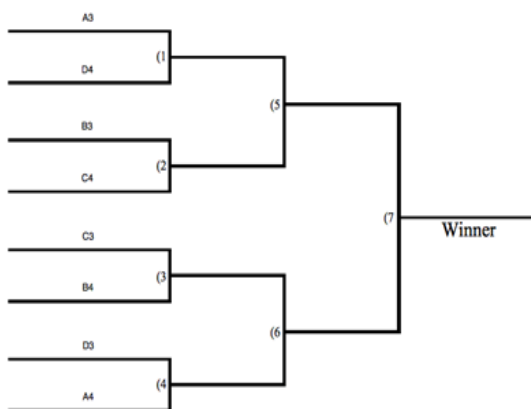
There will be separate playoffs for Category A and Category B. The 1st and 2nd place finishers in each of the pools will go to the Category A Playoffs. The 3rd and 4th place finishers in each of the pools will go to the Category B Playoffs. There will be a GOLD, SILVER and BRONZE MEDAL for each Category. (See playoff structure below).

Playoffs for Cat A and Cat B

Category A: 1st and 2nd place in pools A/B/C/D



Category B: 1st and 2nd place in pools A/B/C/D



v. Progress of Play

All players are expected to monitor the progress of play in the gymnasium to which they are assigned. Players that do not report to the gymnasium officials within five minutes of being called will forfeit the match in question.

vi. Scoring

1. The winning school in each classification, 1A, 2A, 3A and 4A shall be the school with the greatest number of points awarded. Schools/teams will get one point per match win in Round Robin. Schools/teams will get two points per match win in Category A playoffs and one point per match win in Category B playoffs.
2. In the event of a tie between two or more schools when determining the school team champion, the tie will remain and each school shall receive a champion banner.

vii. Equipment

1. Dress Code

Athletes must compete in a uniform that distinguishes their school or zone. Uniforms contrary to this rule will be considered illegal. When playing doubles, the uniforms shall match. Clothing with offensive language or symbols will not be allowed. Shorts should be worn during play. No hats or dew rags shall be worn during competition or warm-up. The venue coordinator will instruct player(s) to change if not in compliance with the dress code.

2. Official Shuttle

The brand of badminton shuttle to be used at the ASAA provincial competition shall be the Yonex Mavis 300.



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