

# 2013 NOTICES OF MOTION

## GENERAL BYLAW & POLICY NOTICES

ASAA  
Executive

### Notice 1: Policy - Section III – Membership, 3. Online Coach Education, page 35

#### Proposed:

#### Addition of new item after B.

CARRIED

Note: Penalties for non-compliance of section A or B above will be no access to compete against any other ASAA member school at any level. E.g. local, exhibition, regional, zones, provincials.

#### Rationale:

Now that this policy has been in place for a year, the Executive feels that there should be some avenue for follow through and that would include the ability to provide consequences to non-compliance of policy.

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### Notice 2: Policy – Section III – Membership, A. High School Membership, page 35

#### Current:

CARRIED

Class Year	1A 1-99	2A 100-299	3A 300-799	4A 800+	Jr. High
2012-13					
ASAA Fee	\$280*	\$380*	\$480*	\$680*	\$35
AIAAA Fee	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$50
2013-14					
ASAA Fee	\$280*	\$380*	\$480*	\$680*	\$35
AIAAA Fee	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$50

#### Proposed:

Class Year	1A 1-99	2A 100-299	3A 300-799	4A 800+	Jr. High
2013-14					
ASAA Fee	\$300	\$410	\$520	\$730	\$35
AIAAA Fee	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$50
2014-15					
ASAA Fee	\$300	\$410	\$520	\$730	\$35
AIAAA Fee	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$50	\$50

#### Rationale:

Membership fee increases have been nominal in the past and the last time we raised membership fees was a couple of years ago but this was to address the need of the Compliance Officer. This fee increase is also very nominal with an increase of \$20/\$30/\$40/\$50 at each of the respective classifications. This nominal fee increase is to retain the services that ASAA provide to their member schools.

Spirit River  
Regional  
Academy, NW  
zone

### Notice 3: Policy – Section IV – Eligibility, A. Grade 9 Students, page 40

#### Current:

#### Grade 9 Students

1. In 1A classified onsite schools, grade 9 students attending those member schools, may be registered for team participation in basketball, volleyball, curling, cheerleading, team handball and golf. Grade 9 students are not eligible for athletic participation in individual sports or on the senior varsity teams of 2A, 3A or 4A classified schools.
2. Onsite grade 9 students in member schools, playing on junior varsity teams of 2A-4A schools are permitted to play in any games (league or tournament) against ASAA member school senior varsity teams.
3. In football only, onsite grade 9 students in member schools are eligible to participate on teams at the tier IV classification and on all 6-man teams.
4. In cheerleading only, onsite grade 9 students who are registered as students of an ASAA member school, regardless of classification, are eligible to participate on the competitive school team with the consent of the principal and athletic director.

DEFEATED

5. In rugby only, onsite grade 9 students in member schools are eligible to participate on 1A and 2A school teams.

**Proposed:**

**Grade 9 Students**

1. In 1A and 2A classified onsite schools, grade 9 students attending those member schools, may be registered for team participation in basketball, volleyball, curling, cheerleading, team handball, golf and rugby. Grade 9 students are not eligible for athletic participation in individual sports or on the senior varsity teams of 3A or 4A classified schools.
2. Onsite grade 9 students in member schools, playing on junior varsity teams of 3A-4A schools are permitted to play in any games (league or tournament) against ASAA member school senior varsity teams.
3. In football only, onsite grade 9 students in member schools are eligible to participate on teams at the tier IV classification and on all 6-man teams.
4. In cheerleading only, onsite grade 9 students who are registered as students of an ASAA member school, regardless of classification, are eligible to participate on the competitive school team with the consent of the principal and athletic director.

**Rationale:**

There are times where schools at the 2A level have difficulty fielding a team in a number of different sports. Grade 9 students are already permitted to participate in football in Tier IV, where the population of the school can go up to 450 (which is in the 3A level). Grade 9 students are already permitted to participate in rugby at the 2A level, so grade 9's should be permitted to participate in the sports at the 1A and 2A levels, for continuity across the ASAA.

Ryley  
School,  
Central  
Zone

**Notice 4: Policy – Section IV – Eligibility, A. Grade 9 Students, page 40**

**Current:**

1. In 1A classified onsite schools, grade 9 students attending those member schools, may be registered for team participation in basketball, volleyball, curling, cheerleading, team handball and golf. Grade 9 students are not eligible for athletic participation in individual sports or on the senior varsity teams of 2A, 3A or 4A classified schools.

**CARRIED  
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AMENDED**

**Proposed:**

1. In 1A classified onsite schools, grade 9 students attending those member schools, may be registered for team participation in basketball, volleyball, curling, cheerleading, team handball and golf. Grade 9 students are not eligible for athletic participation in individual sports or on the senior varsity teams of 2A, 3A or 4A classified schools. **Exception would be for athletes from 1A schools that opt up to 2A or are teams that are 99 or less in a joint school team.**

**Rationale:**

1. The language needs to be cleared up in the case of a joint school bid where 1A schools are combining or in the case of a 1A school opting up to 2A.
2. This would keep the policy consistent where onsite grade 9's, regardless of what category their team is participating in would be eligible to play on team sports. Over the past few years in the majority of cases when a joint school team is created it is because of low player numbers and this may alleviate problems with low player numbers. In the case of opting up the school is still a 1A size and therefore should be allowed to use their grade 9's like they would've been if they stayed in the 1A category.
3. 3A and 4A JV teams are allowed to use onsite grade 9's and these teams are allowed to compete in tournaments and league play against senior squads of any category so in essence they are getting four years of eligibility because they can compete against senior varsity squads all year gaining that experience. The only drawback is the can't participate in a zone or provincial tournament. In the case that a junior varsity squad plays against a joint school team they can use their grade 9's yet a joint school team comprised of two – 1A schools can't. If they are able to play in the same tournaments then the 1A schools should be allowed the same access to grade 9's.

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Executive

**Notice 5: Policy – Section IV – Eligibility – D. Transfer Policy, 3., notes to i), vi), page 47**

**Current:**

- iv) Notwithstanding any other policy provision (that is, if the transfer is not approved under Part B. a-e inclusive), any student

**CARRIED**

who transfers to any receiving school after grade 11 shall not be eligible to participate in ASAA sanctioned sport activities on behalf of the receiving school in any sport.

**Proposed:**

- iv) Notwithstanding any other policy provision (that is, if the transfer is not approved ~~under Part B, a-e inclusive~~), any student who transfers to any receiving school ~~after grade 11~~ shall not be eligible to participate in ASAA sanctioned sport activities on behalf of the receiving school in any sport. **However, the said student, if eligible in all other respects, will be eligible to participate in ASAA sanctioned sports for the receiving school, regardless of appeal, once they have sat out for the period of one calendar year from the date the said student transferred to the receiving school, or until the end of the next complete ASAA sport season in the same ASAA sport in which the said student last participated, whichever is longer.**

**Rationale:**

This policy was taken out when we switched to the new transfer form in 2011/12 and it was not our intention to have taken it out. This just clarifies that if a student athlete has sat out of ASAA activity for one calendar year, they would then be eligible to compete again for the receiving school.

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Executive

**Notice 6: Policy – Section V – Activities – J. Provincial Competition, 6., Finances, page 63**  
**Proposed: FOR IMMEDIATE IMPLEMENTATION**

**Add new item f) and move current f) to g)**

**CARRIED**

**f) Team Sport: coaches/schools failing to attend mandatory coaches meeting**  
Any team (football, volleyball, basketball, cheerleading, curling, rugby, team handball) that attends provincials as the zone/regional representative and fails to attend or send a team representative to the mandatory coaches meeting will be fined a fee of \$250 for failing to send a representative to the coaches meeting. This fee will be collected by the ASAA office and split between the host of the championship and the ASAA; the latter of which will be earmarked for the ASAA subsidy account to help offset costs to ASAA provincial hosts. The Executive will have the sole discretion to waive the penalty based on the rationale provided by the school for the failure to attend the coaches meeting.

North  
Central  
Zone

**Notice 7: Policy – Section V – Activities – D. Opting Up, 2., page 58**  
**Current:**

**CARRIED**

2. Opt up deadlines are as follows:

Golf	September 12
Football	October 1
Volleyball	October 15
Basketball	December 15
Rugby	May 1

Schools not opting up by these deadlines will compete at the classification level at which the school is registered.

**Proposed:**

2. Opt up deadlines are as follows:

Golf	September 12
Football	October 1
Volleyball	October 15
<b>Basketball</b>	<b>January 15</b>
Rugby	May 1

Schools not opting up by these deadlines will compete at the classification level at which the school is registered.

**Rationale:**

Even though the official start date for Basketball is November 1, a large majority of teams do not begin until the end of November when Volleyball season is done. Most teams will have only competed a few times if at all by the opt up date of December 15 and are not able to make an informed decision as to whether to opt up or not. With moving the date to January 15 this allows Basketball to have a solid six weeks to make this decision rather than the current two week period that we have.

Submitted for the Transfer Policy Committee by Beaumont Composite	<p><b>Notice 8: Policy – Section IV – Eligibility, D., Transfer Policy, page 44</b></p> <p><b>Proposed:</b></p> <p><b>Add new item in third paragraph</b></p> <p><b>Transfer form shall not be required if the student has not participated in an ASAA activity for the sending school nor for students first registering in an Alberta school;</b> however, a transfer is required for all other transfers. A transfer form can be found on the website at <a href="http://www.asaa.ca">www.asaa.ca</a></p>
<b>CARRIED AS AMENDED</b>	<p><b>Rationale:</b></p> <p>This addition eliminates the need for students moving from out of province (and their new school) from having to fill out a transfer form and send in all paperwork associated with that transfer.</p>
Submitted for the Transfer Policy Committee by Beaumont Composite	<p><b>Notice 9: Policy – Section IV – Eligibility, D., Establishing Eligibility – 1. b), page 45</b></p> <p><b>Proposed:</b></p> <p><b>Add new item after 1. b) iii)</b></p> <p><b><i>iv) The student is ineligible to compete for the receiving school until the actual change of residence has occurred.</i></b></p>
<b>CARRIED</b>	<p><b>Rationale:</b></p> <p>This addition eliminates the instance where a student claims he/she “will be moving” but never does. Until the actual physical change of residence occurs, a student is ineligible to compete for his/her new school.</p>
Beaumont Composite	<p><b>Notice 10: Policy – Section IV – Eligibility, D., Establishing Eligibility, Note, page 45</b></p> <p><b>Proposed:</b></p>
<b>CARRIED AS AMENDED</b>	<p><b>Add new item after 1. b)</b></p> <p><b><i>NOTE: Students who meet either of the above two criteria for transfer are eligible to compete for the receiving school upon the receipt of all required documentation. Note that only two such transfers are allowed in a student’s three years of eligibility.</i></b></p>
	<p><b>Rationale:</b></p> <p>This allows a student who moves from one parent to another and discovers that the new living arrangement isn’t working out to move back to the original parent and still be allowed to compete. It also clarifies that students transferring under 1a and 1b above are not counted as “transfer student quota students” as described in point 3.</p>
Beaumont Composite	<p><b>Notice 11: Policy – Section IV – Eligibility, D., Establishing Eligibility, page 46</b></p> <p><b>Proposed:</b></p>
<b>WITHDRAWN</b>	<p><b>Replace current 3. in its entirety with the following policy:</b></p>
	<p><b><i>3. Students transferring schools for any reason other than items 1 and 2 above will be considered as a “transfer student quota” student and are eligible to represent the receiving school under the following guidelines:</i></b></p> <p><b><i>a) Students must complete a transfer form (including all required documentation) stating the reason for the transfer prior to being allowed to compete for the receiving school.</i></b></p>
	<p><b>Rationale:</b></p> <p>As the education climate in Alberta has changed dramatically since the present transfer policy, which was implemented in the early 2000’s, was put into place the transfer policy as written no longer meets Alberta Education’s move to “student choice” of school or program. On page 6 of the ASAA handbook, it states that “ASAA bylaws and policy are intended to provide direction in the areas of equitable competition and .....”. As such, the transfer policy item #3 proposed above (along with points “a” above and “b” -Motion #5 below) seeks to recognize the desire of some students to change schools/programs to better meet their perceived educational needs while, at the same time, adhering to the desire of the ASAA to maintain “equitable competition”. The transfer policy above (1-Change of Residence) recognizes that some families</p>

in Alberta are quite transient and allows those students who move to compete for their new school upon completion of that move. The transfer policy above (2-Directed by Legal Authority) also recognizes that some students are directed by legal authorities to move schools and allows those students who move to compete for their new school upon the submission of the necessary documentation requiring that move. The transfer policy above (3-proposed) also recognizes the need to prevent students, coaches, or parents from creating an unfair competitive advantage by having highly skilled athletes transferring schools for a variety of other reasons in an attempt to build a “power team” of athletes that transfer to a single school for that purpose. To that end, the transfer policy allows a receiving school to decide how best to accommodate those students transferring for other reasons. The school can decide to register them all and, in doing so, forfeit their opportunity to compete for zone or provincial championships or the school can choose to fall within the “transfer student quota” and maintain its opportunity to compete at the zone and provincial level. A streamlined one-page document will be developed to facilitate documentation of all such moves by the ASAA.

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Composite

Notice 12: Policy – Section IV – Eligibility, D., Establishing Eligibility, page 46  
Proposed:

*Add new item under the above, proposed 3. & 3. a):*

DEFEATED

*b) In order to compete at the zone or provincial level, a receiving school is restricted to the number of “transfer student quota” athletes on their roster as registered with the ASAA. A receiving school may have only one “transfer student quota” student-athlete registered on teams with allowable rosters less than 20 athletes (volleyball, basketball, team handball, curling, 6-man football, small squad cheerleading). On teams with allowable rosters greater than 20 athletes (football, rugby, large-squad cheerleading) a receiving school may have a maximum of two “transfer student quota” athletes on their roster as registered with the ASAA. Schools, at their discretion, may choose to forgo the opportunity to compete for zone and provincial competition (i.e. may still play league or tournament competitions if allowed by the zone or tournament organizers) by registering more than the allowable “transfer student quota” athletes. Under no circumstances will schools that are over the “transfer student quota” be allowed to compete against other ASAA member schools in league or tournament play unless their team is fully registered on the ASAA exnet system by the registration deadline.*

Rationale:

This item, in effect, allows all students the opportunity to move schools for any other reason than items #1 and #2 above and still be eligible for athletic competition (which has occurred in all instances save two for all students who have appealed our current transfer policy). It puts the onus on the receiving school to decide how best to accommodate those students and their desire to play high school sports and addresses the desire of the ASAA to “provide direction in the areas of equitable competition” (in effect, to prevent schools from “loading up” on transfer students to build a “power team”).

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Notice 13: Policy – Section IV – Eligibility, D., Establishing Eligibility, page 46  
Proposed:

WITHDRAWN

*Add new item under the above, proposed 3. b):*

*NOTE i: Only one transfer is allowed in a student’s three years of eligibility with the exception of items #1 and #2 above in which case two transfers will be allowed. A student cannot have a transfer under points #1 or #2 above and gain another transfer under point #3.*

Rationale:

This clarifies the number of transfers allowed under point three to prevent a student from transferring back and forth using reasons other than described in items #1 and #2 during his/her three years of eligibility.

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Notice 14: Policy – Section IV – Eligibility, D., Establishing Eligibility, page 46  
Proposed:

WITHDRAWN

*Add new item under the above, proposed Note i:*

*NOTE ii: Games played against teams who register more than the allowable “transfer student quota” athletes (i.e. teams who forgo the opportunity to compete at the zone or provincial levels) will not count for provincial berth ranking purposes in those sports which use rankings to determine wildcard berths or provincial tournament seeding.*

**Rationale:**

This allows schools to compete against teams who are above their “transfer student quota” in league or tournament play and not be penalized by any losses that might occur against those teams.

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**Notice 15: Policy – Section IV – Eligibility, D., Establishing Eligibility, page 46**  
**Proposed:**

*Add new item under the above, proposed Note ii:*

*NOTE iii: Any student who transfers schools under #3 above will not be considered a “transfer student quota” student if he/she competes for the receiving school in a sport that he/she was not registered for as a member of the sending school’s roster in that sport. (i.e. an athlete registered as only a volleyball player for his/her sending school may compete for the receiving school’s basketball team without the “transfer student quota” restriction).*

**Rationale:**

At present, students are not required to fill out a transfer form if they wish to compete for their new school and have not been registered in the ASAA system in their old school. This just clarifies that would still occur in the case of a “transfer student quota” athlete if he/she wanted to compete in a completely different sport for his/her new school.

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**Notice 16: Policy – Section IV – Eligibility, D., Establishing Eligibility, page 46**  
**Proposed:**

*Add new item under the above, proposed Note iii:*

*NOTE iv: Once schools declare their choice of competing or not competing at the ASAA zone or provincial levels and the registration deadline has closed, schools are bound by that decision and cannot change that decision.*

**Rationale:**

This prevents schools from making the decision to forego provincials and take on additional “transfer student quota” athletes, then deciding just prior to zone play that they want to compete for zones and drop those athletes from their roster.

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**Notice 17: Policy – Section IV – Eligibility, D., Establishing Eligibility, page 46**  
**Proposed:**

*Add items under the above, proposed Note iv:*

*NOTE v: Under no circumstances can a student have more than one residence for eligibility purposes. School officials are obligated to know the residence status of each athlete and to require compliance with these requirements.*

*NOTE vi: Legal guardianship: without limiting the generality of the foregoing, when considering eligibility the ASAA may take into consideration the existence of a Guardianship Order issued by a court of competent jurisdictions. However, the existence of such a court order shall not be determinative of the issue of eligibility of any student to participate in ASAA governed athletic activities. (Please note that 'living with an aunt', for example, does not mean that she is the student's legal guardian - guardianship can only be transferred through the courts)*

*NOTE vii: Students transferring or on an exchange program from other provinces, states or countries who have graduated from high school or equivalent, or who have already passed three consecutive years since registering in grade 10 or its equivalent, shall be ineligible for ASAA competition.*

**Rationale:**

These items are currently in our transfer policy and this notice just re-numbers them to fit in the new policy.

**Notice 18: Policy – Section IV – Eligibility, D., Establishing Eligibility, page 46**  
**Proposed:**

WITHDRAWN

*Add new item under the above, Notes v, vi & vii:*

*NOTE viii: Once a “transfer quota student” has completed his/her first complete, full year in the receiving school he/she is no longer considered a “transfer quota student” (i.e. a student transferring after his/her grade 10 year and wishing to play basketball in the receiving school is considered a “transfer quota student” in his/her grade 11 year but not in his/her grade 12 year. A student transferring in November of one year or the second semester of one year remains a “transfer quota student” until November or the second semester of the subsequent year).*

**Rationale:**

This allows a student to effectively choose to “red shirt” one year (ie not register on a school team in his/her first year) and not affect his/her new school’s “transfer quota student” numbers in his/her second year at the new school.

**Notice 19: Policy – Section IV – Eligibility, D., Transfer Policy Appeals, page 48**  
**Current:**

WITHDRAWN

**Transfer Policy Appeals**

Where a member school is dissatisfied with the application or interpretation of the transfer policy, or if the school feels that there are extenuating circumstances, they have the right to follow SECTION VII – APPEAL PROCEDURE as outlines on pages 66-70.

**Proposed:**

**Transfer Policy Appeals**

Where a member school is dissatisfied with the application or interpretation of transfer policy **items #1 or #2 they have the right to follow SECTION VII-APPEAL PROCEDURE as outlined on pages 66-70. Transfers under policy items #3 may be appealed by the sending school only and are not appealable by the receiving school. Appeals to add a second “transfer quota student” to a team and still be eligible for zone or provincial competition will not be considered.**

**Rationale:**

This motion allows students/schools the right to appeal items #1 and #2, which they have always had the right to do. It also allows sending schools the right to appeal the eligibility of an athlete who transfers under item #3 but does not allow a receiving school to appeal student eligibility under item #3 in an attempt to have more “transfer student quota” athletes than allowed under this new policy.

**Notice 20: Policy – Section IV – Eligibility, D. Transfer Policy, page 44-48**

**NOTE: This Notice will only be heard in the event that the intent of the new transfer policy is dramatically changed as a result of the voting on motions 1-12 or motions 1-12 are defeated.**

DEFEATED

**Proposed:**

*Removal of D. Transfer Policy and its entirety.*

**Rationale:**

That the transfer policy be eliminated from the ASAA policy handbook. All students transferring schools must fill out a transfer form but, upon the receipt of a fully completed transfer form, a student is eligible to compete for his/her new school. Only one transfer will be allowed in a student’s three year eligibility period.

As the education climate in Alberta has changed dramatically since the present transfer policy, which was implemented in the early 2000’s, was put into place the transfer policy as written no longer meets Alberta Learning’s move to “student choice” of school or program. The current transfer policy has, to date, only prevented two students from transferring schools (if a student has decided to appeal a negative decision to the highest level, that being the Executive Appeal Committee) in the year and a half that the current policy has been in effect. All other students who chose to appeal a negative decision have been allowed to represent their new school. In order to treat all student-athletes equitably, the transfer policy committee recommends that all students be allowed to represent their new school once a transfer form, verifying full registration at a new school, is submitted.

Beaumont  
Composite

WITHDRAWN

**Notice 21: Policy – Section IV – Eligibility, D., Establishing Eligibility, page 46**  
**This Notice will only be heard if Notices 1-12 are passed.**  
**Proposed:**

*Add new item under the proposed 3. b):*

*c) Teams with two or more “Transfer Quota Students”:*

*ASAA member school teams are allowed to participate against other ASAA member school teams who have more than the allowable “Transfer Quota Students” providing all “Transfer Quota Students”, and the team in question, are registered as such with the ASAA. Individual zones, leagues, or tournaments have the right to disallow the participation of such teams at their discretion.*

**Rationale:**

If notices 1-12 are passed, this motion clarifies that all ASAA teams may compete against school teams who choose to have more than the allowable "Transfer Quota Students" during regular league or tournament play.

#### BADMINTON NOTICES

Badminton  
Commissioner

**Notice 22: Policy – Section IX – Badminton – D. Events, 1. Singles, b), page 74**  
**Current:**

DEFEATED

1. Singles

b) Placement

All winners of opening round singles matches are placed in category one and losers are placed in category two for the remainder of the competition. In category one and two singles, participants will play a two division round robin [i.e., each category one girl in division A shall play a match (best of three games) against each of the other three girls in division A].

**Proposed:**

**b) Placement**

**Players finishing first in their zone will play against all other first place qualifiers. These eight players will compete for the Division 1 Title. Players finishing second in their zone will play against all other second place qualifiers. These eight players will compete for the Division II title. Each draw will consist of two division Round Robin pools. Top two players in each pool will advance to the playoff round. Division I and Division II will play off within their division to declare a champion. Singles would use the annual rotation as set by the commissioner.**

**Rationale:**

- 1. Prevent athletes from losing their first round match to drop down into Division II. This will eliminate such an opportunity.**
- 2. This will also eliminate the seeding process, which we never have enough data to accurately seed our provincials.**
- 3. This will mirror our doubles competition and provide more consistency for our hosts and championships.**
- 4. Will allow our athletes access to Badminton Alberta data base which in turn will help our championship when completing the draw, and provide consistent stats for school points.**
- 5. There will not be a cross over for Division I and Division II. Division I will complete for 1-8 placings and Division II will compete for 9-16 placings. This is how we currently compete at provincials.**

Badminton  
Commissioner

**Notice 23: Policy – Section IX – Badminton – D., page 74**  
**Proposed:**

CARRIED

*Add new item before 1. Singles;*



*Venues to be assigned based on age category. All seven matches (2 BS, 2 GS, BD, GD, XD) be played in the same venue on the same court(s) until the completion of the matches. The preceding seven matches will be the next zone to compete according to the Round Robin schedule.*

**Rationale:**

1. The proposed change would allow the opportunity for coaches to remain stationary, assisting them better serving their athletes and providing the opportunity for active coaching in between points.
2. The order of play will be standardized making it easier for athletes, coaches and parents to know when they play next.
3. To keep our Provincial Championships in line with Alberta, Western, and Canada Games. Other provinces have already adopted this format for their high school championships.
4. This format will create "team like" atmosphere for the zones and also formulate intense cheering conditions similar to team events.

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## CHEERLEADING NOTICES

**Notice 24: Policy – Section XI – Cheerleading – C. Representation to Provincials, 1., page 89**

**Current:**

1. Each zone may select a **maximum of two teams in each category** to attend provincials. In the event that all ACA tie-breaking methods have been exhausted at a zone championship, all teams placing with the top two scores will qualify to compete at the provincial championship. In the event that a category has fewer than six teams registered, the ASAA commissioner in concert with the ACA judging director will review the zone competition scores and invite the next highest ranking team(s) until six berths are filled. This process will occur for each category. If a category has fewer than three teams registered, that category will be cancelled for the immediate provincials.

**Proposed:**

1. Each zone may select a **maximum of three teams in each category** to attend provincials. In the event that all ACA tie-breaking methods have been exhausted at a zone championship, all teams placing with the top two scores will qualify to compete at the provincial championship. In the event that a category has fewer than six teams registered, the ASAA commissioner in concert with the ACA judging director will review the zone competition scores and invite the next highest ranking team(s) until six berths are filled. This process will occur for each category. If a category has fewer than three teams registered, that category will be cancelled for the immediate provincials.

**Rationale:**

1. Last season there were at two situations for senior high where there were three teams in a division and a zone championship had to take place. This season, in the South Central zone, there were 3 small varsity teams, Canmore, Bert Church and Foothills that would have had to have a zone event if Canmore did not have to drop out due to coach availability. This is costly and challenging for scheduling of judges and competitions during a very tight season. If we allowed the top 3 then these zones could send all teams to the provincial competition without the need for a zone championship.
  2. By having a zone competition for a zone that has only 3 teams we are holding a competition simply to eliminate a team. In a sport that has had challenges keeping teams in rural zones, it would be beneficial for schools to know that they have the possibility of attending provincials.
  3. For many years now, wild card berths have had to be used to fill categories up to the minimum of 6 teams as there have not been enough when using the two team per zone requirement. If the top 3 were allowed to participate, then we would be able to fill divisions if at least 2 zones had their top 3 teams. In the past there has been the perception that "Edmonton teams" have the advantage and rural teams don't have as much of a chance to compete. If we allowed 3 teams from all zones then there would be less likelihood that Edmonton would be supplying the majority of teams in a division due to wild cards.
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Cheerleading  
Commissioner

DEFEATED

ASAA Executive  
**Notice 25: Policy – Section V – Activities – C. Seasons of Play, 4. Season of Play, page 54**  
**Current:**

**DEFEATED**  
Cheerleading                      Start                      Finish  
October 1                      April 30

**Proposed:**

Cheerleading                      Start                      Finish  
October 1                      *Provincials*

**Rationale:**  
Consistency with all other sports would see that cheerleading season of play also finish with provincials.

**CURLING NOTICES**

Curling Commissioner  
**Notice 26: Policy – Section XIII – Curling – E. Events, page 94**  
**Proposed:**

**CARRIED**                      *Add new item after 1., current 2. will become 3.:*  
  
*2. Hammer*  
*Determining which team gets last rock advantage ("hammer") to start the game will be done as follows:*  
*a) round robin and tiebreaker games - coin toss between the thirds to determine*  
*b) 1 vs 2 crossover playoff game - the team which finished first in their pool will be rewarded with hammer in this game.*  
*c) medal round games - the better draw to the button measurement, which was done after the first game, will determine hammer.*

**Rationale:**  
This is not currently in the handbook, clearly should be. As commissioner, I am putting the notice of motion forward. At the recent Curling Provincials, I proposed this for clarification at the coaches meeting. Coaches were unanimous in their support, especially the different way of doing it in the crossover game.

**FOOTBALL NOTICES**

Breton High School  
**Notice 27: Policy – Section XIV – Football, H. 6-Man Football, page 100**  
**Current:**

**CARRIED**                      **H. 6-Man Football**  
6-Man football shall be adopted as an official variation of 12 man football for the 2011/12 and 2012/13 school years.

**Proposed:**

**H. 6-Man Football**  
6-Man football shall be ~~adopted as~~ an official variation of 12 man football ~~for the 2011/12 and 2012/13 school years.~~

**Rationale:**  
This is a request for us to be a permanent sport with the ASAA.

Breton High School  
**Notice 28: Policy – Section XIV – Football – E. Events – 6. , page 93**  
**Current:**

**WITHDRAWN**                      **H. 6-Man Football**

#### Eligibility

In 2011/12, there will be only one Tier for 6-man football unless there is a significant increase in the anticipated number of registered teams. After 2011/12 an evaluation by ASAA staff, in coordination with the 6-man football committee, will address whether or not two tiers for 6-man football should be considered.

#### Proposed:

#### Eligibility

**Beginning in 2013**, there will be **two** Tiers for 6-man football ~~unless there is a significant increase in the anticipated number of registered teams. After 2011/12 an evaluation by ASAA staff, in coordination with the 6-man football committee, will address whether or not two tiers for 6-man football should be considered.~~

**Tier 1 includes 1A/2A schools with a provincial championship**

**Tier 2 includes 3A/4A schools with a provincial championship**

#### Rationale:

This is an already established sport and the change will be giving a permanent chance for smaller schools to participate. When 6 man was adopted as a trial sport we have 12 teams. Now we have 23 teams participating covering 2/3 of the province with interest from 5 more 1A/2A schools for the 2014 season one from south of Calgary and two in Calgary. Not included in our numbers are two schools who have moved up from six man to 12 man (Ponoka) and 9 man (Frank Maddock High school) fulfilling the growth goal they had when joining.

Currently 6 man stands at:

1A -7

2A – 8

3A – 5

4A - 1

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Notice 29: Policy – Section XIV – Football – C. Eligibility, page 95

#### Proposed:

**Add new item 4 and move all other items down one**

**4. For the purpose of representation to provincials out of a region, the definition of a 'league' shall include no less than four (4) school based teams. A team must belong to and qualify out of a league or competition between leagues within a region, if there is more than one, for provincial playoffs. Independent teams will be dealt with on a case by case basis.**

#### Rationale:

This is being brought into policy to clarify that a league should be made up of more than 2 or 3 teams. We are faced with a possible situation this upcoming year of a league being made up of two teams and therefore each would automatically qualify and it is felt that teams should be qualifying for provincials, not receiving automatic berths where a league exists in their region.

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Notice 30: Policy – Section XIV – Football – F. Fees and Officials – 1. , page 99

#### Current:

#### F. Fees and Officials

1. Each team participating in provincial playoffs will be charged an entry fee as follows: quarterfinalists are charged \$250; semifinalists are charged an additional \$150; finalists are charged an additional \$100. The entry fee will cover officials' fees for all provincial games. ...

#### Proposed:

#### F. Fees and Officials

Football  
Commissioner

DEFEATED

ASAA  
Executive

CARRIED

1. Each team participating in provincial playoffs will be charged an entry fee as follows: quarterfinalists are charged **\$275**; semifinalists are charged an additional **\$175**; finalists are charged an additional \$100. The entry fee will cover officials' fees for all provincial games. ...

**Rationale:**

Fees for officials have been steadily increasing over the past four years and ASAA has been covering the shortfalls. We need to increase the fees marginally to reflect the increase in officials' costs, which include games fees, travel, meals and accommodations. By increasing the overall fees by \$50, this will cover the cost increase that we have been seeing over the past few years.

## GOLF NOTICES

Golf  
Commissioner

**Notice 31: Policy – Section XV – Golf – C. Zone Representation, 3. c), page 104**  
**Proposed:**

**CARRIED**

*Add new item after 1. b), current 1. c). will become 1. d):*

*c) At zone competition qualifying tournament players must show competency in the sport by scoring under 135 for 18 holes. Any player shooting more then 135 will not be eligible to compete at provincials.*

*NOTE: For individuals shooting between 135 and 140, it will be at the discretion of the Golf Commissioner and the Executive Director to allow participation at Provincials.*

**Rationale:**

We are experiencing athletes at provincials that have only played the sport a few times. This is really not what a provincial golf competition that promotes excellence in sport is about. Data was gathered via a web survey and a majority of responses were in support of this, so just doing what the peeps want. Based on data collected from past provincial results The score of 130 was determined such that it would only eliminate the bottom 10-12 players. Typically it is the bottom 10-12 players that tend to slow pace of play, and disrupt other competitors pace of play. Data collected suggests that the bottom placed team , each member of the team will take 3 more strokes per hole than the top team

Golf  
Commissioner

**Notice 32: Policy – Section XV – Golf – C. Zone Representation, 3. c), page 104**  
**Proposed:**

**CARRIED**

*Add new item after above proposed 1. c), current 1. c). will become 1. e):*

*d) Boys will also be allowed to go to provincials as individuals if they score 76 or better in their zone tournament and have not qualified with their respective teams.*

**Rationale:**

If we allow girls to enter with provision c we better think about gender equity. As well based on Data from past provincials kids shooting an average of 76 would finish in top 10 which is what we want to promote.

South Central  
Zone

**Notice 33: Policy - Section XV – Golf, D. Events, 2., page 104**  
**Current:**

**DEFEATED**

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

**Rotation:**

2012 – North East	2016 – Calgary (Ind Schools)
2013 – Edmonton (Public/Metro)	2017 – Central
2014 – South	2018 – South Central
2015 – North West	2019 – North Central

**Proposed:**

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

**Note: If a school would like to submit a bid out of rotation and the schools' zone, as well as the next scheduled hosting zone agrees to relinquish their rotation, then a school may submit the bid and the rotation will commence again the following year, if the ASAA Board of Governors accepts the change.**

**Rotation:**

2012 – North East	2016 – Calgary (Ind Schools)
2013 – Edmonton (Public/Metro)	2017 – Central
2014 – South	2018 – South Central
2015 – North West	2019 – North Central

**Rationale:**

We have a situation where a zone would like to host two years in a row and rather than turning down a school that would like to host, ASAA feels that there should be something in policy that would allow for this to happen. ASAA would hate to see any school not have the chance to host if they would like to and the rotation was only put in place to prevent there being a year where no one stepped up to host.

## RUGBY NOTICES

### Notice 34: Policy – Section XVI – Rugby – C. Eligibility, 2., page 107

**Current:**

2. There shall be an unlimited number of players on the team roster. For each game a maximum of 25 players must be designated on the game sheet prior to commencement of the match and, as per U-19 rules, only 22 of those players may play in that game.

**Proposed:**

2. There shall be an unlimited number of players on the team roster. For each game a maximum of 25 players must be designated on the game sheet prior to commencement of the match and **all rostered players can dress and play.**

**Rationale:**

1. This change would be in keeping with the current practice at the Rugby Canada Age Grade National Festival. National Age Grade Policy and Procedure manual states:

3.11.5 That is all Under 18, Under 16 male and female games (including playoffs) at the National Age Grade Championships all rostered players can dress and play. A roster is defined as a maximum of 25 players and must include the requisite replacements for the front row – loose head prop, hooker and tight head prop. Please note this applies to all games played as per the U19 variations – *Laws of the Game*.

2. During some games where the score is lopsided, it would make sense to be able to play your bench players so that the game does not get out of hand. All players that dress should be allowed to play.

### Notice 35: Policy – Section XVI – Rugby – D. Representation to Provincials, 1., page 108

**Current:**

1. Regions for determining representatives to provincials are based on ASAA zones as follows:

North West Zone	North East Zone
Central Zone	South Zone
North Central Zone	South Central Zone
Edmonton Public	Calgary Zone
Edmonton Metro	

**Proposed:**

1. Representatives to provincials are based on ASAA zones as follows:

North West Zone	North East Zone
Central Zone	South Zone

North Central Zone  
Edmonton Zone

South Central Zone  
Calgary Zone

**Rationale:**

Rugby is continuing to grow and develop. More schools are entering teams and Zones are sending representatives. To have one zone automatically get two berths does not allow for a level playing field for teams to get to provincials. There is a Wild Card Allocation policy for vacancies and this should determine the zones that send additional teams.

Rugby  
Commissioners

**Notice 36: Policy – Section XVI – Rugby – C. Eligibility, page 107-108**

**Proposed:**

**CARRIED  
AS  
AMENDED**

*Add new item under C., 6.:*

*To be eligible for participation in the provincial tournament teams must have played an equivalent of at least 180 minutes of game participation. Teams are to provide commissioners with scores from league/tournament games.*

**Rationale:**

Due to the caliber of play at provincials, it is important that teams have game experience to ensure the safety of players. This will not increase zone secretary work as coaches will be responsible for reporting tournament results to the respective commissioner if they are not in a league. This will also assist in provincial tournament rankings.

Rugby  
Commissioners

**Notice 37: Policy – Section XVI – Rugby – B. Season of Play, page 107**

**Current:**

**DEFEATED**

The season of play for rugby shall be February 15 to the provincial championships on the first/second weekend in June. The season of play is not intended to include July and August. See SECTION V – ACTIVITIES, Item C, pages 53-55 for more information.

**Proposed:**

The season of play for rugby shall be **September 1** to the provincial championships on the first/second weekend in June. The season of play is not intended to include July and August. See SECTION V – ACTIVITIES, Item C, pages 53-55 for more information.

**Rationale:**

To provide teams the maximum amount of time to play required eligibility games. This would also allow teams to travel as a school team to tournaments outside the policy guidelines.

**TRACK AND FIELD NOTICES**

Track & Field  
Commissioner

**Notice 38: Policy – Section XVIII – Track and Field – D. Events, 4., c), page 116**

**Current:**

**CARRIED  
AS  
AMENDED**

**c) Standards**

- |          |                                                                                                                         |
|----------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Discus   | All girls use 1 kg (2 lb 3 oz)<br>All boys use 1.613 (3 lb 9 oz)                                                        |
| Shot Put | All girls use 4 kg (8 lb 13 oz)<br>All boys use 5.44 kg (12 lb)                                                         |
| Javelin  | All girls use 600 g (600 g – 1 lb 5 ¼ oz; 220-230 cm long)<br>All boys use 800g (800 g – 1 lb 12 ¼ oz; 260-270 cm long) |

**Proposed:**

**c) Standards**

- |          |                                                                                                                                          |
|----------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Discus   | All girls use 1 kg (2 lb 3 oz)<br><b>Junior and Intermediate boys use 1.5 kg (3.306 lb)</b><br><b>Senior boys use 1.75 kg (3.858 lb)</b> |
| Shot Put | <b>Junior and Intermediate girls use 3 kg ( 6.614 lb)</b><br><b>Senior girls use 4 kg (8 lb 13 oz)</b>                                   |

Javelin      Junior and Intermediate boys use 5 kg (11.023 lb)  
                  Senior boys use 6 kg (13.227 lb)  
                  Junior and Intermediate girls use 500 g (500 g – 1.102 lb)  
                  Senior girls use 600 g (600 g – 1 lb 5 ¾ oz)  
                  Junior and Intermediate boys use 700 g (700 g – 1.543 lb)  
                  Senior boys use 800g (800 g – 1 lb 12 ¼ oz)

**Rationale:**

Proposal to change the weight implements for High School Boys field events Shot Put, Discus and Javelin.

The changes to the current weights would be in line with the Long Term Athlete Development model, and current practices within Athletics Canada's development of Pre –Olympic Athlete's.

Much focus is on the natural development of athletes with focus on the maturation of an athlete in the years of 15 through 18 years age/ the focus should be on a natural transition between skill development and properly weighted implements to maximize the athlete's potential.

These changes would reflect progressions and transition of skill development and would not have all ages of male athletes in High School competing with the same implement, especially javelin which is not used in a lot of Junior High Athletics. These changes would provide a safe, logical transition and appropriate skill development for the male High School Athletes.

## TEAM HANDBALL NOTICES

Team Handball  
Commissioner

**Notice 39: Policy - Section V –Activities – J. Provincial Competition – 7., d) Sportsmanship Banners, page 65**  
**Proposed:**

**CARRIED**

*Add new item after 7. d) iii.:*

*iv. At the team handball provincial championship, an 8' x 3' sportsmanship banner will be presented to each of the four categories. This banner will be presented in the weeks after the championship to the school winning the award.*

**Rationale:**

This would include Team Handball, which is a very high contact sport, among the other ASAA sports that recognize sportsmanship at their provincial championships. This request is for immediate implementation for the 2012/13 Team Handball Provincials.

## VOLLEYBALL NOTICES

South Zone

**The following four Notices are to be considered together.**

**Notice 40: Policy – Section XIX – Volleyball – D. Competitions – 2. b), page 120**

**Current:**

2.

b) 2A & 3A Format

Two pools of six will be determined by the volleyball commissioners using the summary of volleyball provincial seeding. At the completion of the round robin, the top three teams from each section will advance to a elimination match; the first place team from each section receives a bye, the second place teams play the third place teams from the opposite sections. The winners of the two matches play the first place teams to determine the finalists. All round robin and playoff games shall consist of rally point scoring, the best two of three games; first two to 25 points, third game to 15 points, all played to a two point difference with no cap.

**Proposed:**

2.

b) 2A Format

Two pools of six will be determined by the volleyball commissioners using the summary of volleyball provincial seeding. At the completion of the round robin, the top three teams from each section will advance to a elimination match; the first place team

**DEFEATED**

from each section receives a bye, the second place teams play the third place teams from the opposite sections. The winners of the two matches play the first place teams to determine the finalists. All round robin and playoff games shall consist of rally point scoring, the best two of three games; first two to 25 points, third game to 15 points, all played to a two point difference with no cap.

#### c) 3A Format

The 16 teams qualifying for provincials will be ranked #1-16 by an ASAA ranking committee. The provincial competition will follow a 16 team elimination schedule, where all matches will be a best three-of-five match. First round play will involve team 1 vs. 16, 2 vs. 15, 3 vs. 14, and so on. All teams will be guaranteed a minimum of three matches (see attached suggested schedule).

#### Rationale:

- Under this proposed schedule, more teams can be included in the provincial tournament, while not increasing the amount of courts (which is currently 2) required to host.
- It is much harder for a lower seeded team to upset a higher seeded team in a best three-of-five match than a best two-of-three match, which will make it more likely that the best teams move on to the next round, and therefore, the best teams competing for the provincial title.
- The best three-of-five format is the match type used at the ACAC and CIS level. One goal of the ASAA is to prepare athletes to be successful at the next level of competition. If this is the format the next level uses, let us use the same format at the highest level of high school competition.
- In this schedule, many teams are only playing one match per day and will want to play a full best three-of-five match even though they may not be contending for the provincial championship. Teams will not want to come to the provincial tournament just to play a couple of shortened best two-of-three matches over the course of an entire weekend.
- Players will not get over-played in a single day. Healthy, rested players are less prone to injury and it makes for exciting volleyball because everyone is ready to play every match with full energy.

South Zone

**Notice 41: Policy – Section XVIII – Volleyball – E. Representation to Provincials – 3., page 123**

#### Current:

**WITHDRAWN**

#### 3. 3A Competition for Boys and Girls

a) 3A Competition: There will be 12 teams at each 3A tournament. The representation to provincials 3A boys and girls shall be as follows:

Calgary Zone	1 representative
South Central Zone	1 “
Edmonton Zone	1 “
North Central Zone	1 “
Central Zone	1 “
North East Zone	1 “
North West Zone	1 “
South Zone	1 “
Host School	1 “
Additional berths	3 representatives

**TOTAL 12 teams**

There will be a maximum of three representatives per zone (includes host team).

#### Proposed:

#### 3. 3A Competition for Boys and Girls

a) 3A Competition: There will be 12 teams at each 3A tournament. The representation to provincials 3A boys and girls shall be as follows:

Calgary Zone	1 representative
South Central Zone	1 “
Edmonton Zone	1 “
North Central Zone	1 “
Central Zone	1 “
North East Zone	1 “
North West Zone	1 “



South Zone	1	“
Host School	1	“
<b>Wildcard berths</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>representatives</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>teams</b>

**Rationale:**

Including 16 teams in the provincial tournament will make it more possible to include more of the top teams in the province (see proposal #4 on wildcard distribution). Under the current 12 team system, provincially competitive teams are not qualifying for the provincial tournament because they compete in a very competitive zone where only one provincial berth is available. If the desire of the ASAA is to promote the provincial tournament as the best teams in the province competing for the provincial title, then the proposed model will help achieve this.

South Zone

**Notice 42: Policy – Section XVIII – Volleyball – E. Representation to Provincials – 3., page 123**  
**Proposed:**

DEFEATED

*Add new item after 3. a)*

*b) Rankings*

- i. There will be separate ranking committees for each gender comprising one voting representative from each zone (where a 3A team exists). One additional non-voting member of each committee will be designated as the tabulator and will be responsible for receiving and compiling all results submitted by individual committee members. Recruitment of ranking committee members and tabulators as well as determination of the ranking timeline will be the responsibility of the volleyball commissioners annually.*
- ii. Rankings will be done bi-weekly. A total of four (4) rankings will be developed prior to the provincial tournament. A final & fifth ranking will take place on the Monday preceding the championship tournament after all qualifying teams have been identified. A ranking timeline will be posted no later than September 7 annually.*
- iii. By 12:00 p.m. on Monday prior to each release date, each committee member is responsible for procuring and emailing all other committee members any information deemed important to an accurate and valid ranking. This information shall include, but not be limited to:*
  - a) final standings from tournament play that involve prospective ranked teams in their zone*
  - b) match results for league play involving prospective ranked teams in their zone*
  - c) general comments about prospective ranked teams and their players (injuries, etc.)*
  - d) a preliminary ranking based on all available information collected to that point (1st, 2nd, 3rd, etc.)*
- iv. All members will have access to the results from the previous two weekends (from the emails the rankers share) and know how other members have ranked. By 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday of the ranking week, each member will then send an email with their final ranking to the tabulator only. Once the tabulator has received all the rankings, a reverse points ranking will be applied, meaning that a team that receives a first place ranking will receive 10 points. A second place ranking receives 9 points and so on. Five (5) honorable mentions should be listed, if possible.*
- v. Once the rankings have been calculated, each tabulator will forward to the ASAA and the media around the province a summary listing the top 10 teams. The ASAA will post the rankings on the ASAA website upon receiving them from the tabulators. Each committee member will also receive the complete ranking information detailing how each member voted. This will support the accountability of ranking. On the Monday prior to the championship, the ranking committee will create a final ranking for all 16 qualifying teams by conference call.*

**Rationale:**

In order for wildcards to be distributed fairly, a ranking system needs to be in place. This ranking system is outlined very similarly to the 4A volleyball ranking system currently in place.

South Zone

**Notice 43: Policy – Section XVIII – Volleyball – E. Representation to Provincials – 3., page 123**  
**Current:**

WITHDRAWN

**b) Additional Berths**

- i. The ASAA office will calculate provincial championship history for teams representing their zones for the three years prior to the current school year. Teams representing their zone at provincials during this time will receive zone points based on the following criteria: gold medal – 4 points; silver medal – 3 points; bronze medal – 2 points; 4<sup>th</sup> place – 1 point. Cumulative three-year point totals for each zone will be calculated.**
- ii. The first additional berth will be awarded to the one with the highest point total. Second and third additional berths will be awarded to the zones with the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> highest point totals.**

iii. If there is a tie between two or more zones for the final additional berth, the zone with the highest standing at the completion of the previous provincial championship tournaments will be allocated the additional berth. If still tied, the zone with the highest place finish at the next more recent provincial championship shall be allocated the berth. If still tied, subsequent previous provincial competition shall be reviewed in descending order until the tie can be broken.

**Proposed:**

*Replace “Additional Berths” with the following:*

**c) Wildcard Berth Allocation**

*All zones will have one provincial berth allotted to them (as outlined in proposal #1) to be awarded to the team finishing first at their respective zone tournament. The remaining berths are designated as wildcard berths (7 total) and will be awarded to zones prior to the zone tournaments using the process outlined below. **NOTE:** No wildcard berths are awarded to any one specific team, but rather awarded to the zone, which will then be awarded by the zone to the next best performing team(s) at its respective zone tournament.*

- i. The following criteria describe teams that **do not** contribute to their zone’s eligibility to earn wildcard berths.*
  - a. The highest top ten ranked team from each zone that has a top ten ranked team*
  - b. The first team listed in the honorable mention list from each zone, if that zone doesn’t have representation in the top ten rankings*
  - c. The host team for that season*
- ii. Wildcard berths shall first be awarded to zones with multiple teams in the top ten rankings. Starting at the top of the ranking list, the second highest top ten ranked team from a zone will receive the first wildcard berth for its respective zone. This process continues down the list of top ten teams (ie: if zone A has teams ranked 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, & 6<sup>th</sup> and zone B has teams ranked 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>, then zone A would be awarded the first & fourth wildcard berths and zone B would be awarded the second & third wildcard berths.)*
- iii. The honorable mention list (HML) shall be used to award any remaining wildcard berths. The next available wildcard berth shall be awarded to the zone with the most wildcard eligible teams in the HML. The next wildcard berth shall be awarded to the zone with the next most wildcard eligible teams in the HML, and so on. (ie: if zone A has two wildcard eligible teams and zone B has one wildcard eligible team then zone A would be awarded the next available wildcard berth. Zone B would be awarded a wildcard berth after that, if one is available.) If all eligible zones represented in the HML have received a wildcard berth according to this process and there are still wildcard berths remaining, then the process is repeated. A maximum of five (5) wildcard berths can be awarded using this process. The following rules must be followed during the distribution of wildcard berths via process #3:*
  - a. The number of wildcard berths awarded to a zone cannot exceed the number of wildcard eligible teams in the HML from that same zone. (ie: If zone A has two wildcard eligible teams in the HML then zone A can only earn up to a maximum of two wildcards via process #3.)*
  - b. Zones are not eligible for a second wildcard berth via process #3 until all other eligible zones represented in the HML have received a wildcard berth first.*
  - c. If there is a tie in the HML between multiple zones for the last wildcard berth, the following criteria will be applied in order:*
    - i. The zone with the highest ranked top ten team, which is also not the host team for that season, will receive the wildcard berth.*
    - ii. The zone with more teams in the HML will receive the wildcard berth.*
    - iii. The zone that computes the lowest number using the ratio in process #4 will receive the wildcard berth.*
- iv. After the previous processes, if there are still wildcard berths available they shall be distributed to the zone(s) that compute(s) the lowest number using the following ratio:*

*# provincial berths in the zone / # of competing teams in the zone*

- v. The maximum number of provincial berths for any one zone will be n-1, where ‘n’ is the number of competing teams in that zone for that year (ie: If the zone A has 3 competing teams, they can only have a maximum of 2 provincial berths).*

**Rationale:**

The current system of wildcard distribution is based on team performance in previous competing years not current competing years. Competitive zones for that competing year are therefore often overlooked for wildcard berth allocation

simply because they may not have been as competitive in past years. It is more logical to have a system that allows wildcards berths to be distributed based on team performance in the same competing year, as it will ensure that more of the top teams from the province are competing in the provincial championships.

The number of provincial berths should never equal the number of teams in a zone because that would negate the point of all teams having to qualify for the provincial championship. If a zone were to accumulate as many provincial berths as competing teams, it would suggest the ranking committee has declared all the competing teams in that zone fit to compete in the provincial championship without the need for a qualification tournament. This would potentially cause higher ranked teams in other zones to be unhappy because lower ranked teams than them are gaining a free pass to the provincial championship while they still have to qualify. This is not the purpose of the ranking committee. The 'n-1' formula is meant to reduce teams making it into the provincial championship by default.

## WRESTLING NOTICES

### Notice 44: Policy – Section XX – Wrestling – F. Events, 2. Provincial Championships, page 130

#### Current:

#### 2. Provincial Championships

c) There will be a seeding meeting consisting of the tournament director, ASAA wrestling commissioner and the tournament directors from the qualifying tournaments or their proxy. This shall be known as the Seeding Committee. Each region (Calgary, Edmonton, Rural) will have one vote.

#### Proposed:

The seeding of weight classes for A.S.A.A. Provincial Wrestling Championships shall be the following based upon the following rotation system, where the results of the Rural Provincial Championships, Edmonton City Championships and Calgary City Championships determine seeding for the provincial championships. If an athlete who placed in any of these events does not compete in the provincial championships, the next athlete from that area will be moved up based upon the area results.

#### Rotation 1

##### Bracket One

1. Calgary A
2. Edmonton B
3. Rural A

##### Bracket Two

1. Edmonton A
2. Calgary B
3. Rural B

#### Rotation 2

##### Bracket One

1. Edmonton A
2. Rural B
3. Calgary A

##### Bracket Two

1. Rural A
2. Edmonton B
3. Calgary B

#### Rotation 3

##### Bracket One

1. Rural A
2. Calgary B
3. Edmonton A

##### Bracket Two

1. Calgary A
2. Rural B
3. Edmonton B

#### 2014 Boys

Rotation 1 - 44 kg 53 kg 62kg 72 kg 90 kg 120 kg  
Rotation 2 - 47 kg 56 kg 65 kg 76 kg 98 kg  
Rotation 3 - 50 kg 59 kg 68 kg 82 kg 108 kg 120+ kg

Rotation 1 - 50 kg 59 kg 68 kg 82 kg 108 kg 120+ kg

#### 2016 Boys

Rotation 3 - 44 kg 53 kg 62kg 72 kg 90 kg 120 kg  
Rotation 1 - 47 kg 56 kg 65 kg 76 kg 98 kg  
Rotation 2 - 50 kg 59 kg 68 kg 82 kg 108 kg 120+ kg

#### 2015 Boys

Rotation 2 - 44 kg 53 kg 62kg 72 kg 90 kg 120 kg  
Rotation 3 - 47 kg 56 kg 65 kg 76 kg 98 kg

#### 2014 Girls

Rotation 1 - 44 kg 53 kg 65kg 80 kg

Rotation 2 - 47 kg 57 kg 70 kg 80+ kg  
Rotation 3 - 50 kg 61 kg 75 kg

**2015 Girls**

Rotation 2 - 44 kg 53 kg 65kg 80 kg  
Rotation 3 - 47 kg 57 kg 70 kg 80+ kg

Rotation 1 - 50 kg 61 kg 75 kg

**2016 Girls**

Rotation 3 - 44 kg 53 kg 65kg 80 kg  
Rotation 1 - 47 kg 57 kg 70 kg 80+ kg  
Rotation 2 - 50 kg 61 kg 75 kg

Subsequent years will repeat this schedule.

**Rationale:**

In the seeding meeting there is always a long discussion as to who should be the first seed, second seed and third seed for each weight category. Not all wrestlers attend the same tournaments and some wrestlers even change categories throughout the season which makes for difficult comparisons. The fact that the second seed from each of the city championships and rural championship occasionally may be better than the top seed from the other two zones and they end up being randomly inserted into the tournament and may see them facing their own top seed (from their own zone) long before the championship rounds.

This very proposal is currently being used by the CIS for their nationals championships as they deal with 3. The only difference is that we still allow for cross-overs prior to the gold/silver and bronze/4th match to allow the possibility of an athlete to fight back into a gold match even after suffering a loss. This ensures the top 2 athletes have the opportunity to compete for the gold. (The CIS would like to consider this adaptation to their championships to ensure the top 2 make it to the gold medal final.)

Teams will know ahead of time if they are top seed or not and that the second seed from the same zone will not be on the same side of the bracket.

This was discussed with a few coaches and they think that this would be a great move and allow the draw masters the opportunity to fill in the names faster as they don't need to wait for a committee of coaches to decide. It will eliminate the need for this meeting and allow the draw master to make the draw quicker and possibly allow the registration and weigh ins to be backed up as the time to make the draw is now a shorter process.

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