

SECTION X - BASKETBALL

1. Rules:

- A. The playing rules governing Basketball shall be the rules adopted by the International Basketball Federation (FIBA), with the following modifications:
 - i. NCAA numbers also recognized as legal (i.e., 0-3, 20-25, 30-35, 40-45, 50-55)
 - ii. No more than fifteen (15) team members entitled to play.
 - iii. 10 minute half time
 - iv. T-shirts of the same colour as the uniform may be worn (underneath the uniform)
 - v. No protests will be allowed
- B. Athletes of one gender must compete for a school team of athletes of the same gender.
- C. Standardized key - The standard key that will be used at the ASAA level will be the trapezoid key. The discussion of the new FIBA floor markings that were brought forward in 2016/17 may come back to the ASAA for discussion again, but change will not be considered for at least five (5) years (2021/22 school year).

2. Season of Play

The Season of Play for Basketball shall be November 1 to the Provincial Championships on the third weekend in March. See SECTION V – ACTIVITIES, Item 3, pages 54-57 for more information.

3. Officials

- A. The Alberta Basketball Officials Association (ABOA) is recognized to provide officials for Provincial competitions.
- B. Arrangements for officials at all Provincial competitions shall be made by the Executive Director and/or appointees of the ASAA Executive in cooperation with the ABOA.

4. Number of Games Permitted

A team shall be limited to 34 games (including games against ASAA sanctioned teams and the one exhibition and one fundraiser game allowed) between November 1 and the commencement of Zone playdowns in their respective Zone (Any district or city playoffs that directly lead to or result in the advancement of a team in or elimination of a team from their respective Zone playoffs shall be considered a part of those playoffs and shall not be counted in the 34 game limit). Any team found to be in violation of the 34 game limit may:

- 1. be ineligible for participation in any ASAA sponsored games (Zones, Provincials) within that same Season of Play;

2. forfeit any standing within the final Provincial rankings for the purpose of seeding in the Provincial Championships;
3. forfeit any or all ASAA sponsored games (Zones, Provincials) and any awards or titles earned in these games;
4. be ruled ineligible for participation in ASAA sponsored events within the next Season of Play;
5. be subject to any or all of the aforementioned penalties or to alternative penalties as determined by the ASAA Executive.

5. Rankings

- A. The 1A, 2A, 3A and 4A boys and girls rankings respectively shall be done by Committee. Recruitment and formation of the Committee at each respective level will be the responsibility of the Commissioner, who shall serve as the Chairperson of each Committee.
- B. Each Committee shall consist of at least three members and the Chairperson, with all but the Chair having voting privileges. The respective Committees will be formed as follows:

1A, 2A and 3A boys & girls	4A boys & girls
North Region (NE, NW, Edmonton)	Edmonton Region
Central Region (C, NC)	Calgary Region
South Region (SC, S, Calgary)	South Region
	Rural Region (C, SC, NE, NW)

- C. All schools shall submit their game results online using Sport Registration System (SRS) right through to the completion of Zone playoffs to provide a complete and up-to-date season record for use in the ranking and seeding processes. Note: only those teams with results posted in SRS in a minimum of three ranking periods shall be eligible for final rankings.
- D. Based on the results in the SRS, each ranking Committee member will determine a Provincial top 10 and a maximum of five honourable mentions. The deadlines for submitting these rankings via SRS to the respective Basketball Commissioners must be adhered to and will be posted on the ASAA website by November 1 each year.
- E. For each ranking period the Chair shall review the ranking Committee selections as posted on Sport Registration System and award points to the teams according to the same procedure as outlined in Item 7. Awarding Wildcard Berths, pages 83-84. The Chair shall then total the points into a single listing and rank the teams from highest to lowest according to their total points for that ranking period.
- F. In the event of a tie, the Chairperson shall apply the following:
 - i. outcomes of any games between the tied teams
 - ii. outcome of any games against common ranked opponents
 - iii. outcome of any games against common unranked opponents
 - iv. previous ranking of both teams
 - v. Chair's decision - based on the information provided

- G. No more than three clear days (see SECTION VII - APPEAL PROCEDURE, 2. Definition of Clear Days, page 72) following the submission deadlines, the Chairperson shall submit to all Committee members and the ASAA office the top 10 and first five honourable mentions.
- H. These rankings shall be posted on the ASAA website at www.asaa.ca. Only the top 10 and five honourable mentions are released. Individual ranking Committee member selections are not provided.

6. Competitions

- A. There shall be eight Provincial competitions that will terminate the Basketball season. All competitions will be held on the third weekend in March and will be conducted over three days.
- B. Representatives to Provincial competitions must be declared and the required information delivered, phoned or faxed to the ASAA Basketball Commissioner and the competition Chairperson no later than the Sunday prior to the competition.
- C. Vacancies in any of the eight Provincial competitions not covered under Item 7. Awarding Wildcard Berths, pages 83-84 shall be filled by the Executive Director with approval of the ASAA Basketball Commissioners.
- D. Provincial Seeding Process:
 - i. All Basketball Provincial Championships shall be seeded.
 - ii. In order of priority, the following will guide the seedings:
 - a. Final ASAA Ranking*
 - b. Placing in Zone championship*
 - c. Note: Winning the Zone championship will automatically qualify the team for the Provincial Championship but does not guarantee that the team will enter Provincials as the number one seed from their respective Zone
 - iii. At each classification level per gender, the respective Commissioner and eight ranking Committees shall meet via separate conference calls on the Sunday prior to Provincials; the cost of the calls to be paid for by the ASAA. Subsequently, each Commissioner will provide the four (1A-4A) recommended seedings lists to the ASAA office no later than noon on the Sunday prior to Provincials.
 - iv. A Committee comprising of the two Basketball Commissioners and the ASAA Executive Director will meet via conference call on the Sunday afternoon prior to Provincials and will review the

recommendations. The Committee has the authority to make changes within reason and as it sees fit.

- v. The Committee noted in 'iv' above will empower the ASAA staff to distribute the final seedings to championship hosts by late Sunday afternoon, barring any unforeseen circumstances.

NOTE: Due to the short timeframe involved, Tournament seedings may not be appealed.

- E. Regardless of which ASAA classification schools choose to enter, they must compete Provincially in their geographic region as outlined in the ASAA handbook.
- F. All teams advancing to Provincials must participate in competition leading to Provincial Championships. This includes the Provincial host team even though they have an automatic entry in the Provincial competition.

7. Awarding Wildcard Berths

Zone secretaries will provide to the ASAA office a list of Zone championship hosts and their cell phone numbers in advance of the Zone championship Tournament weekend so that hosts may be contacted in a timely manner if Zone results are not received or more information is needed. Zone championship hosts are requested to email the appropriate Commissioner and the ASAA the game scores and a rank order list of teams qualifying from their Zone to the Provincial Tournament by 9 a.m. the Sunday following the Zone championship.

The Commissioner will use the following criteria when awarding wildcard berths:

1. Teams in the Final Ranking will be awarded points (12 for 1st, 10 for 2nd and so on until the 10th ranked team receives 2 points. The 5 honourable mentions will each receive one point)
2. Zone points are added up and wildcard berths awarded to the Zones with the most points.
3. In the event of a tie, the Zone with the highest ranked 2nd team will be awarded the berth (for example, if one Zone has the 2nd and 5th ranked teams and another Zone has the 3rd and 4th ranked teams, the Zone with the 4th ranked team would get the wildcard berth).
4. Vacant Berths
 - A. A wildcard berth will be considered vacant when:
 - i. A Zone does not have enough teams in the Final Ranking period to fill the wildcard berth (for example, a Zone has 1 team ranked 2nd in the Final Rankings and qualifies for a berth with 10 Zone points but no other team ranked).
 - ii. The host Zone does not have enough teams in the Final Ranking period to fill the Zone champion, host bid and wildcard berth (for example, a Zone has the 3rd and 6th ranked team, is hosting

Provincials and qualified for a wildcard berth based on Zone points; they would receive the Zone champion and host berth but not an additional wildcard berth due to insufficient teams).

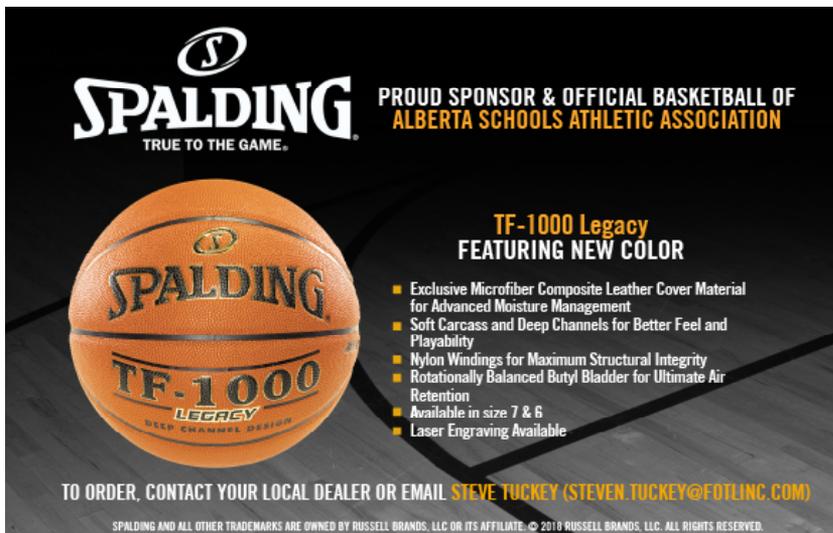
B. Who receives the vacant berth

- i. In the event of a vacant berth, the Zone with the highest point total in the Final Rankings will receive the wildcard berth.

(note: maximum berths noted in following pages cannot be exceeded)

The Commissioners will provide the name of the Zone receiving the wildcard berth to the ASAA office. It should be clear that the Zone, not an individual team will receive the wildcard berth. The Zone will allocate this berth to a team based on its placing in the Zone Tournament. Rankings information will be posted on the ASAA web site and teams wishing to contest* the rankings will have until the Tuesday at noon before their respective Zone championship to do so. Such an appeal must be accompanied by a \$50 payment. The ASAA Basketball Commissioners will consult with the rankings officers based on the information available, and, with the approval of the Executive Director, will render a decision to the school within 48 hours. If the appeal results in a change to the rankings and the subsequent inclusion of the appellant school, the \$50 will be refunded to that school.

* All schools are responsible for entering their complete results for all games (exhibition, Tournament, league play, league playoff and Zone playoff) into the SRS Basketball ranking system by the final submission date as indicated in the annual rankings timeline as posted on the ASAA website. An appeal of the rankings will not be considered unless a complete season record has been submitted before this deadline. An appeal must be signed by the school Principal and should indicate where the school feels they should be ranked and why.



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8. Representation to Provincials

A. 1A Competition for Boys and Girls

- i. 1A competition: There will be 12 teams at each 1A Tournament. The representation to Provincials for 1A boys and girls shall be as follows:

	Representatives
Edmonton Zone	1
North Central Zone	1
Central Zone	1
South Zone	1
Calgary Zone	1
South Central Zone	1
North East Zone	1
North West Zone	1
Host school	1
Wildcard berths	3
Total	12 teams

Note: There will be a maximum of three representatives per Zone (includes host team).

- ii. At the 1A level, one wildcard berth will be awarded to each of the top three ranked Zones according to Item 7. Awarding Wildcard Berths, pages 83-84.

B. 2A Competition for Boys and Girls

- i. 2A Competition: There will be 12 teams at each 2A Tournament. The representation to Provincials for 2A boys and girls shall be as follows:

	Representatives
Calgary Zone	1
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
Wildcard berths	3
Total	12 teams

Note: There will be a maximum of three representatives per Zone (includes host team).

C. 3A Competition for Boys and Girls

- i. There will be 12 teams at each 3A Tournament.

The representation to Provincials for 3A boys and girls shall be as follows:

	Representatives
Calgary Zone	1
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
Wildcard berths	3
Total	12 teams

Note: There will be a maximum of three representatives per Zone (includes host team).

- ii. At the 3A level, one wildcard berth will be awarded to each of the top three ranked Zones.
- iii. If any Zone has only one team at the 3A classification, they must be prepared to host a challenge from the fourth ranked Zone* for their representative spot at Provincials. If required, this challenge shall
- be issued from Zone secretary (or designate) to Zone secretary (or designate) with a cc to the ASAA office no later than 4 pm on the day the final rankings are released. If the final rankings are successfully appealed and a new Zone becomes the fourth ranked Zone, that Zone must issue the challenge (if desired) no later than 4 pm on the day the final rankings are posted reflecting the outcome of an appeal
 - be played on the Monday following the Zone competition.

D. 4A Competition for Boys and Girls

- i. 4A Competition: There will be 16 teams at each 4A Tournament.

The representation to Provincials for 4A boys and girls shall be as follows:

	Representatives
Calgary Zone	3
Edmonton Zone	3
North East Zone	1
North West Zone	1
Central Zone	1
South Zone	2
South Central Zone	1
Host school or Zone	1
Wildcard berths	3
Total	16 teams

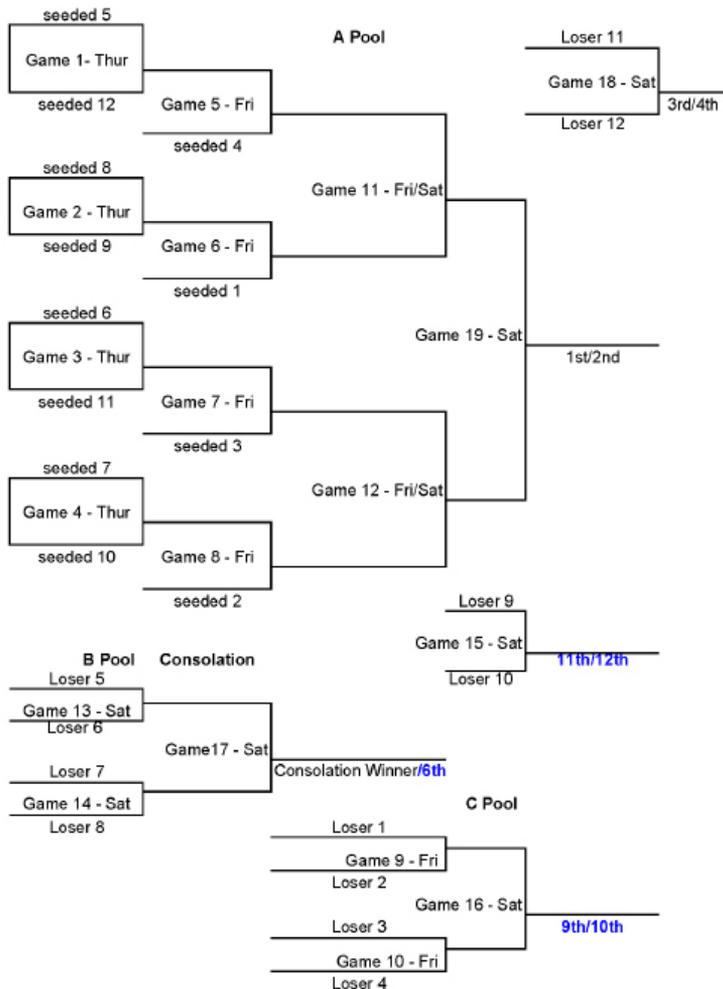
Note: There will be a maximum of five representatives per Zone (includes host team).

9. Playing Equipment

The official Basketball to be used for ASAA Provincial Basketball shall be either the Spalding Top Flite 1000 or TF1000 ZKPro, size 7 (boys) and size 6 (girls).

10. Provincial Draws

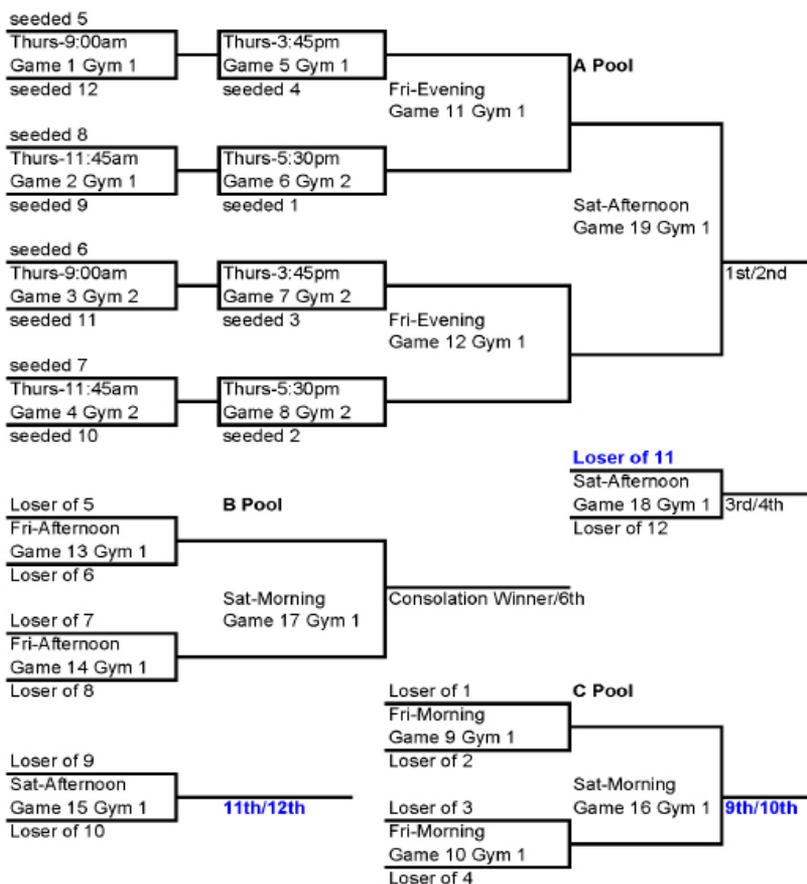
A. The basic draw for 1A, 2A, and 3A boys and girls shall be as follows:



Note 1: Losers of Games 13 & 14 are both given a ranking of 7th, there is no game to determine 7th/8th

Note 2: Games do not need to be scheduled in order of game number

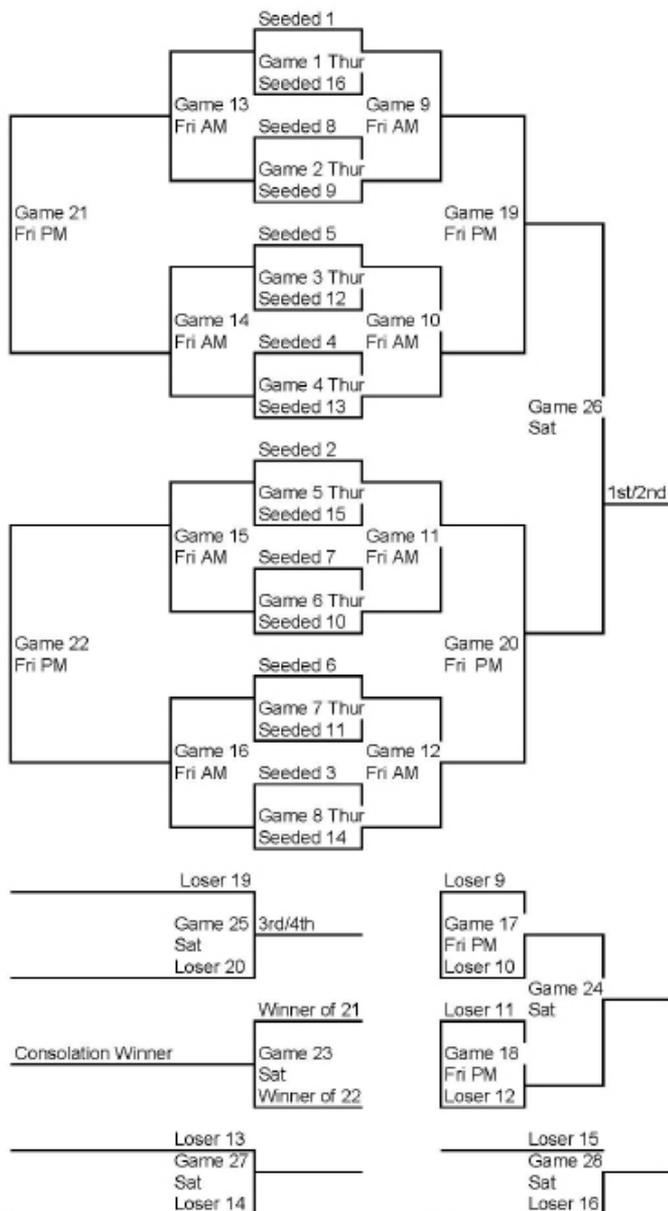
B. An optional and preferred draw for 1A, 2A, and 3A boys and girls shall be as follows:



Note 1: Losers of Games 13 & 14 are both ranked 7th, there is no game to determine 7th/8th

Note 2: Using this draw is at the discretion of the host and can only be used with a suitable second court in order to schedule eight games on Thursday. In addition, teams playing twice on Thursday will receive at least four hours between the end of their first game and the start of their second game.

C. The draw for 4A boys and girls shall be as follows:



Note: Games do not need to be scheduled in order of game number

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