

B. A. A. PLAYING REGULATIONS RUGBY (GIRLS AND BOYS)

Eligibility / Entries :

- a) Eligibility as to age will conform with Bantam , Junior and Senior age classifications as defined in the B.A.A. Constitution and By - Laws . The Girls Division will conform with the Senior age classification .
- b) Players must comply with all eligibility guidelines as outlined in the B.A.A. Constitution and By - Laws .

Scheduling :

- a) The schedule will be a home and home format against each team . Game start times will follow B.A.A. guidelines .

Officials :

Qualified officials will be used to referee all games . The costs of the officials will be divided proportionately after the completion of the season .

Playing Rules :

- a) The Laws of the Canadian Rugby Union shall govern play during the regular season and the B.A.A. Tournament , with the following exceptions :
 - i) there shall be unlimited substitution for injury at any time during the game or overtime, provided the referee is notified . Injured players shall not return to the game (except for those removed to the game under Law #6 Par 8, section (d) regarding bleeding).
 - ii) should a player be ejected from the game for flagrant abuse of the rules or because of abusive or profane language , no replacement will be allowed for the remainder of that game during which the offence occurred and he / she is no longer eligible for competition in the tournament .
 - iii) substitution shall be unlimited during the game.
- b) Playing Times : Games played during the season shall be twenty-five (25) minute halves in length . No team shall play more than eighty (80) minutes per day.
- c) Rosters : There is no limit to the number of players listed on rosters at this time .
- d) Player Equipment :
 - i) Players shall wear identical rugby-type shins, shorts and socks. All uniforms must be intact at the start of each game. All teams shall wear numbered jerseys. In tournament play , the convenor must provide a second set of uniforms in the event of a colour conflict. A coin toss shall decide which team shall change.
 - ii) Any knee braces must be approved by the head official prior to the start of a game or at the coaches meeting prior to the start of the championship.
 - iii) All players must wear mouthguards at all times .
- e) Field : The field shall be marked as directed by C.R.U. laws . Posts shall be sufficiently padded. If soccer goal posts are used , then covers must be put over all posts to ensure safety .

f) Tie Situations :

i) Teams will reduce their numbers to a ten-a-side team. Then set scrum will be composed of a front row and two locks. There will be five backs. The opposing scrum half may not cross the scrummage mark. The first team to score will be declared the winner .

ii) if still tied at the end of two five minute halves, the following procedure will be followed: each team will select three (3) players, from among .the players on the field at the end of the overtime period, who shall be organized to kick from one spot. The spot shall be (a) midway between the sidelines, on the 22 metre line, and (b) on each side of the field at the intersection of the 22 metre line and the 15 metre out line. Repeat this process until a winner is decided .

Tournament / Championship Structure:

a) The B.A.A. tournament will be held on the Friday before the traditional May 24 weekend .

b) The site will be announced by the convenor at the BAA Directors' meeting. Site location must have two fields with proper uprights.

c) The tournament shall be a single elimination tournament . Games shall be twenty (20) minute halves in length . No team shall play more than eighty (80) minutes per day .

d) If three teams are entered the first place team will have a bye to the finals.

e) Semi-final games shall be run concurrently whenever possible.

f) At the completion of the game , the teams will clap each other off the playing field.

Scoring :

Scoring will follow C.R.U. laws .

Finances :

An Entry Fee shall be charged which shall be sufficient to cover the operating costs of the tournament. This shall include two on site Athletic Therapists at the site (1 for each field, approximate cost \$200).

Awards :

Members of the winning teams shall be awarded B.A.A. medallions as per B.A.A. Constitution and By - Laws .

The team champion in each division shall receive the B.A.A. plaque .

Advancement to Further Competition :

The B.A.A. champion and the second place finisher will represent Bluewater in all divisions (Boys and Girls)

Senior Boys play in their own C.W.O.S.S.A. "AA" Championships.

All other teams advance to C.W.O.S.S.A. "AAA" Championships.