



Thames Valley Regional Athletics

RULES OF PLAY: BASKETBALL

1.0 Organization of Competition

League play, playoff schedules, and advancement to WOSSAA procedures will be communicated to the Athletic Directors and coaches as soon as practical, prior to the start of each season.

- 1.1 In reference to schedule 5, **Organization of Competitive Groupings, Seasons and Practice Restrictions**, league competition will be organized into two conferences TVRA South East and TVRA Central. South East will have 1 division. TVRA Central will be broken down into 2 tiers with the possibility of pool play based on your schools combined records in both volleyball and basketball from the previous year.
- 1.2 League schedules will be developed together by the convenors of basketball and volleyball with the consultation of the TVRA Advisory Council to a maximum of 8 league games.

2.0 Eligibility

Refer to the TVRA Agreement Schedule 6 as well as the following:

- 2.1 There is no restriction for the number of players on the eligibility list but a maximum of 15 players can be identified on each game sheet.
- 2.2 Any player or coach who is ejected from a contest for any reason other than 5 personal fouls or inappropriate player substitution, shall be automatically suspended from the next TVRA sanctioned game (league or playoff). A written report must be submitted to the convenor from the participating coaches or officials.
- 2.3 Any player or coach who receives a second such ejection shall be suspended until the procedures outlined in Schedule 7 or Schedule 8 of the TVRA Participation Agreement have been completed.
- 2.4 A student may only play on one school team of the same sport (team or individual) during a school year.
- 2.5 If a player receives 3 technical fouls and/or physical unsporting fouls throughout the TVRA season, they will be suspended for the next TVRA sanctioned game (league or playoff). If a player receives a 4th and 5th technical foul and/or physical unsporting fouls throughout the TVRA season, they will be suspended for another TVRA sanctioned game (league or playoff). If a player receives a 6th technical foul and/or physical unsporting foul throughout the TVRA season, they will be suspended until the procedures outlined in Schedule 7 or Schedule 8 of the TVRA Participation Agreement have been completed. If a team accumulates 3 technicals in a game, they will forfeit their next game. Coaches are required to report all above fouls on the TVRA website within 24 hours of the competition.



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- 2.6 The team eligibility list MUST be uploaded to the TVRA website a minimum 24 hours before the first competition (exhibition, league, tournament).

3.0 Competition

- 3.1 The current official rules of basketball for the International Basketball Federation (FIBA) shall be used with certain amendments **as stated in the OFSAA Basketball Playing Regulations.**
- 3.2 Start times: Regular season matches played back to back should start at 3:30 pm and 5:00 pm (with some exceptions). Playoff matches will start as scheduled and approved.
- 3.3 Teams should have the opportunity for a minimum of 15 minutes half court warm up.
- 3.4 Home Team duties:
- i) Provide trained and responsible scorekeepers (clock, score sheet and shot clock operator).
 - ii) Provide an official game ball(s). Molten GG7X (male), Molten GG6X (female), or Wilson Evolution
 - iii) Ensure contrasting uniform colours with the opponents
 - iv) Reporting the score and uploading the game sheet to the TVRA website within 24 hours, with the exception of playoff games, which should be reported immediately following the game.
- 3.5 When recording the score on the web site for the official standings and tie breaking purposes, the score differential will only be 20 points. The 20 points should be added to the lowest score. For example if Team A defeats Team B by a score of 52-18, the reported score will be 38-18.
- 3.6 For Neutral Site games, the duties under 3.4 above will be assigned by the convenor. For playoff games, both teams have the right to have representation at the scorer's table.
- 3.7 Scouting and Filming Games
- a) Scouting another team's practice is not permitted.
 - b) Scouting another team's regular season or playoff games is permitted.
 - c) Teams may video/film any regular season and playoff games regardless of whether or not they are playing in said game.
- 3.8 **Spectator Code of Conduct**
All spectators are expected to adhere to the TVRA/OFSAA Spectator Code of Conduct. Failure to comply may result in the removal of some or all spectators from the venue, at the discretion of the board or school administration.



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4.0 Uniforms and Equipment

- 4.1 All competitors are to dress in uniforms as per FIBA guidelines, except where amended in the TVRA rules of play by the Sport Advisory Committee. **See Appendix 9 - Equity and Inclusion of the TVRA Participation Agreement.**
- 4.2 Mismatched shoes are permitted.
- 4.3 Student-athletes must remain fully clothed in an appropriate team uniform in the competition area AND use designated changing rooms to change to and from competitive attire.

5.0 Ties in League Standings

- 5.1 Final standings will be determined by the total points accumulated throughout the regular season. Points will be awarded as follows:
 - win = 2 points loss = 0 points Point differential is capped at 20 pts.
 - i) When using the following system, if one (or more) team(s) is separated from the others, they will be given the higher placing. The remaining tied teams will have their rankings determined by reverting to Step a) in each scenario.
 - ii) In the event that teams play an unequal number of games in a season, final standings will be determined by winning percentage.
- 5.2 If **two teams** are tied for a playoff position:
 - a) the team that won the game in the head to head games shall receive the higher seed
 - b) if the teams are still tied, then the team with the greatest point differential in games *amongst the tied teams* shall receive the highest seed.
 - c) if the teams are still tied, then the team with the greatest point differential in *all games in league play* will receive the higher seed.
- 5.3 If **three teams** are tied for a playoff position:
 - a) if one team has more points than either of the other two teams *in the games amongst the tied teams*, then it shall receive the highest seed and the remaining two teams would follow the tiebreaking procedures as outlined in 5.2.
 - b) i) if the three teams are still tied, then the team with the greatest point differential in games amongst the tied teams shall receive the highest seed and the remaining two teams would follow the tiebreaking procedures as outlined in 5.2
 - (ii) If the top 2 teams are tied with point differential, their head to head result will be used to determine the highest seed.
 - c) i) if the three teams are still tied, then the team with the greatest point differential in all league games will receive the highest seed and the remaining two teams would follow the tiebreaking procedures as outlined in 5.2.



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(ii) If the top 2 teams are tied with point differential, their head to head result will be used to determine the highest seed.

d) if the three teams are still tied, then a coin flip will determine the higher seed and the remaining two teams would follow the tiebreaking procedures as outlined in 5.2.

5.4 If **four or more teams** are tied for a playoff position:

a) if **any** team has more points than the other team(s) they are tied with *in the games amongst the tied teams*, then it shall receive the highest seed and the remaining teams would follow the tiebreaking procedures as outlined in 5.3.

b) if four (or more) teams are still tied, then the team with the greatest point differential in games *amongst the tied teams* shall receive the highest seed and the remaining teams would follow the tiebreaking procedures, as outlined in 5.3.

c) if the four (or more) teams are still tied, then the team with the greatest point differential in all league games will receive the highest seed the higher seed and the remaining teams would follow the tiebreaking procedures, as outlined in 5.3.

5.5 In the event that application of the above procedures does not break the ties in 5.2, 5.3 and/or 5.4, then a coin toss amongst the remaining tied teams shall occur to determine seeding. It is expected that a coach from each team be present at the coin toss.

5.6 Note that no team shall be eliminated from the playoffs by a coin toss. In the event that a tie for the final playoff position cannot be broken by the procedure above, then a one game playoff will be played.

6.0 Championship Categories and Playoff Procedures

Playoffs will be organized within TVRA Central and TVRA South East regions and lead to WOSSAA representation for each school classification within that Conference.

6.1 Playoff dates, locations and times should be announced no later than the pre-season meeting for that sport season where possible.

6.2 **a)** Teams will playoff within their school classifications. League standings will be used to rank the schools within each classification. The number of teams in each classification will influence the playoff format for each classification.

b) The top 10 teams in TVRA Central AAA schools will advance to the playoffs. TVRA Central teams will be ranked in order of the tiers that they are in, with Tier 1 being given the highest seeds, followed by Tier 2, and if needed, Tier 3.

c) Preliminary, quarter, and semi-final games will be at the home of the higher seeded senior team. The convenor will attempt to also place junior games at the



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home of the higher seed. Where this is not possible (due to officiating issues) the convenor will decide the location of the game.

- 6.3 In all playoff games, each team, in coordination with the host school/site, will provide competent minor officials for scorekeeping, game sheet information and shot clock operation.
- 6.4 An attempt will be made to determine Championship venues prior to the start of regular season play.

7.0 Advancement to WOSSAA, OFSAA

- 7.1 The winner of the TVRA Central championship in each classification will advance to WOSSAA in that classification. **If WOSSAA requires additional entries then Appendix 5 of the WOSSAA Playing Regulations will be followed.**
- 7.2 In the TVRA South East championship, the winner in each classification will advance to WOSSAA in that classification.

8.0 Awards

- 8.1 Junior Girls Basketball TVRA Central Champions "A" (9x12 plaque)
Junior Girls Basketball TVRA Central Champions "AA"(9x12 plaque)
Junior Girls Basketball TVRA Central Champions "AAA" (9x12 plaque)
Junior Girls Basketball TVRA South East Champions "A" (9x12 plaque)
Junior Girls Basketball TVRA South East Champions "AA" (9x12 plaque)
Senior Girls Basketball TVRA Central Champions "A" (9x12 plaque)
Senior Girls Basketball TVRA Central Champions "AA" (9x12 plaque)
Senior Girls Basketball TVRA Central Champions "AAA" (9x12 plaque)
Senior Girls Basketball TVRA South East Champions "A" (9x12 plaque)
Senior Girls Basketball TVRA South East Champions "AA" (9x12 plaque)
Senior Girls Basketball TVRA Central Tier 1 Fran Wigston Award (8x10 plaque)
Senior Girls Basketball TVRA Central Tier 2 Fran Wigston Award (8x10 plaque)
Senior Girls Basketball TVRA Central Tier 1 Ms Basketball Award (8x10 plaque)
Senior Girls Basketball TVRA Central Tier 2 Ms Basketball Award (8x10 plaque)
Senior Girls Basketball TVRA South East Ms Basketball Award (8x10 plaque)
- 8.2 Junior Boys Basketball TVRA Central Champions "A" (9x12 plaque)
Junior Boys Basketball TVRA Central Champions "AA" (9x12 plaque)
Junior Boys Basketball TVRA Central Champions "AAA" (9x12 plaque)
Junior Boys Basketball TVRA South East Champions "A" (9x12 plaque)
Junior Boys Basketball TVRA South East Champions "AA" (9x12 plaque)
Senior Boys Basketball TVRA Central Champions "A" (9x12 plaque)
Senior Boys Basketball TVRA Central Champions "AA" (9x12 plaque)
Senior Boys Basketball TVRA Central Champions "AAA" (9x12 plaque)
Senior Boys Basketball TVRA South East Champions "A" (9x12 plaque)



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Senior Boys Basketball TVRA South East Champions “AA” (9x12 plaque)
Senior Boys Basketball TVRA Central Tier 1 Ted Earley Award (8x10 plaque)
Senior Boys Basketball TVRA Central Tier 2 Ted Earley Award (8x10 plaque)
Senior Boys Basketball TVRA Central Tier 1 Mr Basketball Award (8x10 plaque)
Senior Boys Basketball TVRA Central Tier 2 Mr Basketball Award (8x10 plaque)
Senior Boys Basketball TVRA South East Mr Basketball Award (8x10 plaque)

8.3 The **Fran Wigston Award** is given annually to the top **year 4** female Basketball player in the **TVRA Central (Tier 1 and 2) conference**. **The nomination and selection process will be communicated at the pre-season meeting.**

8.4 The **Ms Basketball Award**

This award is for the top basketball player in each conference (**Central Tier 1 and 2 and Southeast**), regardless of age. **The nomination and selection process will be communicated at the pre-season meeting.**

8.5 The **Edward (Ted) Earley Award**

Ted was a great referee who constantly showed his love and enthusiasm for high school basketball. This is our top **year 4** player award for boys’ basketball in the **TVRA Central (Tier 1 and 2) conference**. **The nomination and selection process will be communicated at the pre-season meeting.**

8.6 The **Mr Basketball Award**

This award is for the top basketball player in each conference (**Central Tier 1 and 2 and Southeast**), regardless of age. **The nomination and selection process will be communicated at the pre-season meeting.**

9.0 Convenor Responsibilities

As outlined in the TVRA Participation Agreement 5.6 and schedules 3 through 8.

9.1 Oversee all situations and issues which arise during the season which may or may not be covered in the Rules of Play.

9.2 Convenor Coverage

- a) There is (1) day of supply coverage available for convening and planning in TVRA Central Tier 1.
- b) There is (1) day of supply coverage available for convening and planning in TVRA Central Tier 2/3.
- c) There is one (1) day of supply coverage available for convening and planning in the TVRA South East.