

TEAM SPORTS

GENERAL: CRICKET, BASKETBALL, BADMINTON, FOOTBALL, HOCKEY, NETBALL, SOFTBALL, TENNIS, VOLLEYBALL & TOUCH

1 ELIGIBILITY

Refer also to By Laws 5.3 - 5.12

1.1 The Open competition is unrestricted as to Year groups.

1.2 On any fixture round, girls are permitted to play in only one sport.

1.3 On any fixture day, girls are permitted to play in only one grade.

Exception:

A girl may replace another girl from a higher grade or year level in extenuating circumstances (eg injury or illness incurred on the day, eg car accident). Prior to the commencement of the game, the coordinator from the opposing side must be notified and in agreement with this replacement occurring.

Please note: It is expected that any reserves in that year level be played before another grade/year level player is moved up. **Exception:** A hockey goal keeper.

1.4 Any girl, who plays more than two matches in a particular grade must remain in that grade or a higher grade

1.5 Where more than one team has been nominated in a grade/division, the players are considered to be members of only one team, that is, students must not alternate between teams within that grade/division during the season.

Teams are to be graded in descending order. Refer By Laws: 5.7

The number 1 team should play in the school's draw.

Exception:

- Movement of players may occur across teams in the same grade/division in extenuating circumstances, eg incorrect grading of a player, injury or illness and school approved absence.
- Unacceptable requests as noted in the rescheduling proforma will not be permitted.
- Where possible the opposing school should be notified of any changes, four school days prior to the competition.

Changes on the day of competition: Prior to the commencement of the game, the coordinator from the opposing side must be notified and in agreement with this replacement occurring.

1.6 Any girl who plays more than two matches in a particular grade/division must remain in that division.

1.7 As a general guideline and in the spirit of QGSSSA competition, when a student has to be replaced, it is desirable to select a student with comparable standard of skills from the same year level.

1.8 For a clarification of team numbers and what constitutes a game for each sport please refer to Appendix 1.

2 FIXTURES

Refer also to By Laws 5.13

- 2.1 All fixtures should be played on the scheduled day.
- 2.2 By mutual agreement, competitions between schools may be rescheduled as close as possible to the original date. Rescheduled games should be played before the Tuesday following the final round. If mutual agreement cannot be reached, the competition should be played as scheduled.
- 2.3 Sports played at a central venue may only be rescheduled owing to problems with the venue or with weather conditions. Rescheduling will only then occur with the approval of the majority of schools.
- 2.4 Games may start at 8.00am or as agreed by the Association. The home team has the right to decide the competition order.
- 2.5 Contact by the home team to organise fixtures should be made four school days prior to the competition.
Late changes of venues, draws and order of games for all sports are to be made no later than 3.00pm, two school days prior to the competition. If a match is rescheduled, there should be written confirmation between the schools involved and a copy must be forwarded to the Executive Officer on the proforma.
- 2.6 Each school must have an adult representative at each venue.
- 2.7 In all fixtures the succeeding round must be scheduled to follow immediately after the completion of the preceding round unless there is mutual agreement between the two schools.

3 WET WEATHER

Refer also to By Laws 5.16, 5.17 & 5.18

- 3.1 Wet weather cancellation should be negotiated between schools.
- 3.2 **If, due to wet weather, a majority of fixture matches in any one grade for a given date is not played, all teams will be allotted points as for an abandoned round.**
- 3.3 Schools are permitted to change the timing of the game by mutual consent if adverse conditions exist, eg lack of lighting, adverse weather, court conditions, late arrivals.
- 3.4 If both schools cannot agree, the final decision rests with the home team.

4 EQUIPMENT

- 4.1 Uniforms: Where home and away team uniforms are similar, the away team will wear distinguishing clothing, eg bibs, during the game.

5 RESULTS

- 5.1 All result slips must be signed by a teacher from both schools concerned and sent to the Executive Officer, to be received no later than 4:00pm on the Monday following the fixture.
- 5.2 It is the Home team's responsibility to phone / fax / email results to the Sunday Mail Sports Results.
Refer to General Rules 4.

5.3 Should a match be mutually rescheduled, the result slip must be sent to the Executive Officer as soon as possible.

Also refer By Laws 5.17

6 DISPUTES

Refer: By Law 8

7 POINTS

Exception: Softball 4

Win	2 points
Win on Forfeit	2 points
Draw	1 point each
Abandoned Game	1 point each
Bye	0 points
Abandoned Round	1 points (all bar bye teams)
Loss	0 points

8 PENNANTS

Refer: General Rules 5

8.1 A minimum of five teams must compete for a pennant to be awarded.

9 HOME TEAM DUTIES

- 9.1 Provide adequate facilities.
- 9.2 Provide ice and first aid.
- 9.3 Provide stopwatches and timekeepers.
- 9.4 Provide result slips.

10 DRAW

10.1 At the start of each year, the last round of the previous year becomes the first round for that year ie. Round 9 becomes Round 1 for the following year.

10.2 The first mentioned school signifies the home team; thereafter the allocation of home team alternates from year to year.

11 UMPIRES AND REFEREES

11.1 Each school must supply one umpire/referee for each match unless by mutual agreement.

Exception: Touch

11.2 Coaches should not referee/umpire their own team without the agreement of the opposing school.

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11.3.1 A recommended scale of fees for umpires will be established for the school year. This will be reassessed at the June Sportspersons' meeting for the following year.

11.3.2 Umpires/referees will be paid a maximum of \$35.00 per game for QGSSSA fixtures. Schools may determine the rate (up to a maximum of \$35.00) at which they pay their umpires / referees based on their competency and experience.
Exception: Football

11.3.3 For all sports, umpires or referees should be badged where possible, otherwise they should be deemed to be competent persons, conversant with the rules of the game.

12 BARRACKING

No mechanical devices or musical instruments will be permitted.

TEAM NUMBERS AND WHAT CONSTITUTES A GAME:

Sport	No. On Team List	Min On Field	Duration Of Game
Badminton	8		After 6 minutes played (1/2 timed game) with a 2 point advantage Open: after 15 points with a 2 point advantage Grade competition: 50% of the games played
Basketball	12	4	At least 20 minutes played (1/2 time) score to stand
Cricket	Unlimited	9	Refer: Workbook Cricket 7.2 - 7.5
Hockey	16	7	At least 30 minutes played (1/2 time) score to stand
Netball	12	5	At least 30 minutes played (1/2 time) score to stand
Soccer	16	7	At least 30 minutes played (1/2 time) score to stand
Softball	16	7	After 2 completed innings for Open & Senior divisions After 1 completed innings for Years 7, 8 & 9 (any incomplete innings, team second at bat must have drawn or passed first team's score to count)
Tennis	8		Refer: Workbook - Tennis 5.9
Touch	14	4	At least 20 minutes played (1/2 time) score to stand
Volleyball	12	5	On completed sets (any incomplete games to have 13 or more points with a 2 point advantage) Open: on 2 completed sets (any incomplete games to have 13 or more points with a 2 point advantage)