



# 2009 N.O.S.S.A. NOTICES OF MOTION

## N.O.S.S.A CONSTITUTION

### 1. Article VII - Eligibility

**Reference: Section 5, Eligibility Lists, add new subsection (e)**

Whereas,

The Athletic Eligibility List System (AELS) was originally introduced by OFSAA three years ago,

And whereas,

N.O.S.S.A. schools are not voluntarily adopting the system as quickly as hoped,

And whereas,

There are several benefits to schools and to O.F.S.A.A. that would be realized by full implementation,

Be It Resolved That,

All N.O.S.S.A. schools be required to utilize the Athletic Eligibility List System (AELS) effective the fall of 2009.

*Gilbert Briscoe (Confed) – Frank Rocca (St Benedict)*

**Action:**.....

### 2. Article VIII – Duties of Conveners

**Reference: Section 2, subsection h**

Be it resolved that “NOSSA trophies be returned in good shape”. If the previous champion does not return the trophy in good shape, their association will be billed.”

*Tom Annett - Barry Rushon*

**Action:**.....

Rationale: Trophies will look presentable at the awards presentation.

### 3. Article XI: Awards

**Reference: Section (e)**

Revise medallions required in support of nordic skiing from 52 gold, to 24 gold and 24 silver.

*Sonny Gawalko (Treasurer) – Dave Makela (Secretary)*

**Action:**.....

Rationale: Reflects current needs.

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**4. Article XIV: Sanctions**

**Reference: Section 2**

Add new subsection (c) to read: “If a District does not submit its intent to participate information by the deadline dates indicated in Article XIII, it will be required to pay a fine equivalent to \$25 for each day late. Payment will be due to the treasurer and until received, teams from the district involved will be considered ineligible for NOSSA competition.”

*Dave Makela (Secretary) – Sonny Gawalko (Treasurer)*

**Action:**.....

Rationale: Confirmation of intent to participate information allows conveners to set schedules and arrange or officials early in the season. Districts are neglecting to forward this information by the deadline dates indicated, which causes undue stress on conveners, especially when extra teams are sought to fill draws.

## N.O.S.S.A. PLAYING REGULATIONS - COED

### 1. Curling

**Reference: Age and eligibility**

Remove existing sections and add in its place: See NOSSA constitution, Article VII

*Gilbert Briscoe (Confed) – Laura Aubertin (Confed)*      **Action:**.....

Rationale: current regulations in conflict with constitution and does not include all information.

### 2. Curling

**Reference: Rules (new section, add after date)**

Add as follows: “The rules governing the play shall be that of the Canadian Curling Association. Any exceptions to be specified in the NOSSA COED Curling Playing regulations.

*Gilbert Briscoe (Confed) – Laura Aubertin (Confed)*      **Action:**.....

Rationale: Current playing regulations do not stipulate what rules are to be used however OFSAA does. OFSAA rules of play are the CCA rules.

### 3. Curling

**Reference: Substitution**

Remove existing section and replace with the following:

“Where possible, the host Association shall be responsible for providing a pool of curlers available for substitution.

- (i) During the competition if a team has only four (4) players and one player is unable to continue play because of illness or injury, they must select randomly from the host pool of curlers and that player shall be lead; if the original player is able to play again he/she may re-enter the competition at the beginning of a game.
- (ii) Once a player is selected from the host pool, he/she must remain that team’s substitute until such time as the original player (or alternate) can return.”

*Gilbert Briscoe (Confed) – Laura Aubertin (Confed)*      **Action:**.....

Rationale: Current rule is not in keeping with the CCA rule. The new procedure mirrors OFSAA. Teams are abusing the current substitution rule.

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**4. Curling**

**Reference: Sections 5 and 6 – Time-outs**

Remove existing sections and replace with the following:

“Time-outs: A maximum of three (3) minutes consultation between the coach and curlers shall be allowed on the ice only, at the completion of the fourth end. In addition, two (2) one minute time-outs (i.e. one time out of one minute) may be called at any time while a team is in control of the house. The team that called the time out may access the playing surface. Coaches must wear appropriate footwear to access the ice surface. The team that did not call the time out may confer with the coach, but may not access the playing surface.

The Fair Play timeout rule shall be in effect.

- (i) Practice time, to a maximum of seven (7) minutes per team, shall be made available before each game if time permits. The team with the hammer in the first end shall practise first.
- (ii) A minimum of 20 minutes prior to game time, the opposing vices will meet behind the glass of their designated sheets to toss for choice of last rock or rock colour. The team with last rock will have first practice.
  
- (i) No high school students shall be used as on-ice officials. (Except timeouts, NOSSA convener may appoint student volunteers.)
- (ii) Permanent hog-line judges shall not be introduced part way through a competition.”

Re-number remaining sections.

*Gilbert Briscoe (Confed) – Laura Aubertin (Confed)*      **Action:**.....

Rationale: Selections on practice time and timeouts shall be added to better mirror OFSAA. Current rules do not include selections on practice time.

**5. Curling**

**Reference: Officials**

Delete in its entirety

*Gilbert Briscoe (Confed) – Laura Aubertin (Confed)*      **Action:**.....

**COED Playing Regulations – cont’d from page 4**

**6. Curling**

**Reference: Jury of Appeal (add new section after time-outs)**

Add as follows: “The Jury of Appeal shall consist of three (3) individuals: NOSSA Convenor, a tournament committee member and one (1) other member appointed by the NOSSA Convenor who is neutral to the dispute (cannot be a student). The Jury of Appeal shall handle disputes which fall within the realm of:

- (a) Tournament Structure and Procedure;
- (b) Rules and Officials;
- (c) Equipment;
- (d) Scoring.

Tournament structure and procedure concerns shall be addressed no later than the end of the coaches' meeting.

A dispute must be submitted in writing to the Convenor or Designate together with a \$50.00 fee (refundable if dispute is upheld) within thirty (30) minutes, except as provided within specific sport governing regulations, of the conclusion of the game in which the incident under dispute occurred. Decisions of the Jury of Appeal shall be final.

*Gilbert Briscoe (Confed) – Laura Aubertin (Confed)*      **Action:**.....

Rationale: Current rules do not include procedures on appealing or implications of decisions.

**7. Curling**

**Reference: General item 3**

Delete in its entirety: “Artificial ice and matched rocks must be available at the site recommended for the championship.”

*Gilbert Briscoe (Confed) – Laura Aubertin (Confed)*      **Action:**.....

Rationale: The rule is obsolete. Every Curling Club in the Association’s district has artificial ice and matched rocks.

**COED Playing Regulations – cont'd from page 5****8. Curling****Reference: General section 9**

Delete reference to third place ribbons, revise to read: “Awards (ribbons) shall be provided to the consolation champions”.

*Gilbert Briscoe (Confed) – Laura Aubertin (Confed)*      **Action:**.....

Rationale: No other team sports are awarded third place at NOSSA. The current draw does not allow for a third place winner to be declared.

**9. Ski - Alpine****Reference: Entry**

Delete section entitled “Definition of Team and Team Members” in its entirety.

*Karin Augenstein (Lockerby) – Dan Bartolucci (MMA)*      **Action:**.....

Rationale: The following statement already appears in the “Entry” section: “NOSSA will coincide its level system to follow the OFSAA levels as they are currently recognized”. The definitions currently listed in the NOSSA playing regulations do not exactly conform to OFSAA definitions and so should be removed to avoid confusion.

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## N.O.S.S.A. PLAYING REGULATIONS - BOYS

### 1. **Basketball** **Event dates**

“That the NOSSA basketball championships take place on Thursday and Friday when a two day tournament is required. The Thursday games would begin after 3:00 pm and Friday would be an all day event. If the championship is a one day event, it would run on Friday.

*Denis Gauthier (Lasalle) - Frank Rocca (St Benedict)*      **Action:**.....

### 2. **Basketball** **“AAA” – General, item 2**

Delete and replace with: “Be it resolved that the boys ‘AAA’ NOSSA format be consistent with the ‘AA’ NOSSA tournament format”

*Jim Pedatella (St Basil) - Dave Zagordo*      **Action:**.....

Rationale: There needs to be consistency with regards to all NOSSA basketball championships. The travel and cost to play one game is high. This will also prevent unqualified seeding.

### 3. **Football** **Series – Page 9**

That the statement: “The NOSSA Final shall be hosted on Saturday one week before the Central Bowl.”

Be revised to read: “NOSSA football dates will be set to:

- NOSSA semi-final is on the 10<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the school year
- NOSSA final is on the 11<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the school year

Exceptions will be made if NOSSA district school boards have different school start dates.”

*Tom Annett - Barry Rushon*      **Action:**.....

Rationale: The NOSSA football representative no longer plays in the “Central Bowl”. Pre-setting the NOSSA football dates will allow local associations to finalize their football schedules sooner, which will allow the scheduling of exhibition games.

**Boys Playing Regulations – cont'd from page 7****4. Football  
General, item 2 – page 9**

Change: “Both teams' benches will be placed on the same side of the field with the yard sticks on the opposite side”

To read: “Team benches will be placed on opposite sides of the field. The yard sticks will be on the same side as the home team for the first half, and on the opposite side of the home team for the second half.”

*Tom Annett - Barry Rushon*

Action:.....

Rationale: Allows coaches to move between the forty yard lines. This is standard practice in most football leagues (CFL, NFL, CIS, NCAA, USA High School, OVFL, NFC, etc.). It will help with calling in plays, communicating with players, and making substitutions. It will also provide coaches with a non-obstructed view of the field.

**5. Football  
General, item 5 – page 10**

Delete in its entirety: “That two (2) one-minute time-outs per half be permitted to each team (senior and junior only). These two time-outs shall be exclusive of injuries and one player may approach the sidelines during each time-out. The clock will start again with the snap of the ball.”

*Tom Annett - Barry Rushon*

Action:.....

Rationale: Information regarding time out procedures, injuries, and time stop / start procedures is already covered in the rule book.

**6. Football  
General, item 6 – page 10**

Change: “Each team will be allowed to use their own football, ie. J5V or Cooper Bomb during NOSSA play-offs.” (page 10, N.O.S.S.A. BOYS' PLAYING REGULATIONS)

To read: “Each team will be allowed to use their own football. The footballs endorsed by NOSSA are: the Wilson CFL Composite Leather ball and the Wilson CIS Senior Ball (F2000).”

*Tom Annett - Barry Rushon*

Action:.....

Rationale: A consistent and official sized football is being used in NOSSA football games.

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**Boys Playing Regulations – cont’d from page 8**

**7. Football  
General, items 9 and 10 – page 10**

That points 9 and 10 in the NOSSA football playing regulations be deleted in their entirety:

“9. Mouth guards are mandatory for all football players playing NOSSA high school football. The type of mouth guard to be used is optional.

10. Cleat length shall be the same as that used in the OUAA rules.”

*Tom Annett - Barry Rushon*

**Action:**.....

Rationale: These rules are already covered in the Canadian Amateur Football Association rulebook. It is repetitive to include them in our playing regulations.

**8. Football  
General, item 14 – page 10**

Be it resolved that the jersey numbering system endorsed by the CAFA be abolished at the NOSSA level.

*Marty Smith - Barry Rushon*

**Action:**.....

Rationale: Presently it is not being followed at the Bowl Series (OFSAA). Increasing cost of jerseys make it a costly endeavor. Eliminating potential changes in the game at certain positions.

**9. Hockey  
General, item 6 – page 13**

Amend to read: “Games will consist of three (3) fifteen minute top time periods with a flood after each period.”

*Vagelli Sakellaris (Lasalle) – Rob Zanatta (St Charles)*

**Action:**.....

Rationale: Provides for the same flood system regardless of where NOSSA is hosted.

**Boys Playing Regulations – cont'd from page 9**

**10. Volleyball**

**Add new section entitled “Event Date” to appear after “Eligibility”**

Whereas,

NOSSA Boys ‘A’ Volleyball has been scheduled in the past on Saturdays,

And whereas,

It is sometimes difficult to schedule lines persons / get the NOSSA results to OFSAA and there has been conflict with SDSSAA Hockey,

And whereas,

The Girls Volleyball has been on Fridays the last two years,

Be it Resolved that,

NOSSA ‘A’ Volleyball attempt to schedule the NOSSA Championships on the Friday, one week prior to the OFSAA Championships.

*Peter Kategiannis (Manitoulin) – Mike Wesno (MSS)*

**Action:** .....

## **N.O.S.S.A. PLAYING REGULATIONS - GIRLS**

### **1. Volleyball Tournaments – Page 13**

Add as follows: “The host sites for the NOSSA championships must be confirmed and announced through the district secretaries two weeks prior to the NOSSA championship.”

*Laura Aubertin (Confed) – Millie Wood-Colton (Lasalle)*    **Action:**.....

### **2. Volleyball Date – Page 16**

Add as follows: “When three volleyball NOSSA events are being held in one city, at the discretion of one of the conveners, one of the events will be moved to Saturday.”

*Shauna Conway - Wendy Basawa*    **Action:**.....