BADMINTON

FACILITY & EQUIPMENT

Official badminton courts: 13.4m x 6.1m (doubles) or 5.2m (singles), hosts are encouraged to have at least 4 indoor courts.

AGE CATEGORIES

Please refer to the **SGIS Age Categories** for this academic year located <u>HERE</u>.

ROSTERS

Maximum 6 players per school, per category, per gender.

*This is based on the competition organizers ability to accommodate players to ensure a fair competition and adequate playing time. The host school can increase entries based on the amount of participating schools.

OFFICIAL RULES

FIB (Swiss Badminton) rules should be followed wherever possible. Any modification from FIB rules should be notified by the competition organiser to the participants at the time the schedule is sent out, at the latest.

FORMAT

Tournaments should consist of pool play followed by knockout format. In order to ensure enough playing time for everyone, pools should have at least 4 players (3 games per player). If the tournament format calls for smaller pools, then every player should make it to at least the first knockout round.

Where possible, playing time should be maximised and all players competing for the duration of the tournament. Players should be ensured at least 3 matches per day.

Plastic birdies should be used given the lack of possibility for many schools to practice with feather ones.

OFFICIATING, SCORING & RESULTS

Players are responsible for refereeing and keeping score. In case of multiple disputes, the players should call the competition director who should assign a referee for the rest of the game. Any disputes must happen at the moment and not after a match has been completed.

Players must report to the scorer's desk when their match is called, and also when their match is over to report the score.

Coaches will be allowed to consult briefly with their players at changeovers. All protests must go to the competition Director.

The tournament host can select between the following formats

- Best of 3 sets to 11 (with or without 2 points difference per set which can be selected by the tournament host). (at 14-14, next point wins). Pool play should end at 11 no matter what.
- 1 set to 21 points with a 2 point difference. (At 24-24, next point wins). Pool play should end at 21 no matter what.

Timed systems should be avoided when possible. If time becomes an issue, start the games with a higher score (eg. 5-5 instead of 0-0).

Team awards are based on the number of entries per team determined by the competition organiser. It is recommended that if there is a team size of 6, then the top 3 score. If there are 4, then the top 2.

HEALTH AND SAFETY RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that all players wear protective eye goggles.