

H.W.C.A.A. PLAYING REGULATION 6.0
FOOTBALL

As of Sept. 28, 2018

AGES: Competitors must meet the age requirement as per H.W.C.A.A. Constitution By-Law 1. a.

EVENTS: There will be competition for a H.W.C.A.A. senior and junior champion.

ELIGIBILITY: Competitors must meet the eligibility requirements as per H.W.C.A.A. Constitution By-Law 1.

ENTRIES: Each of the H.W.C.A.A. member schools may enter one team per division. There is no limit to the number of players dressed for any game, as long as every player can be properly and safely equipped while playing.

RULE BOOK: Canadian Inter-Collegiate Football Rules for the current year will be used, except the team in possession of the ball shall have three downs for senior and four downs for junior to gain ten yards, instead of three.

OFFICIALS: The officials will be the highest caliber possible. For league and playoff games there will be four officials, for the championship there will be five. It is the responsibility of the home team to ensure that a competent stick crew is available, for all league games. The convener will supply this crew for all playoff and championship games.

UNIFORMS: As per rule book above.

STARTING TIME: As per playing schedule (see H.W.C.A.A. constitution By-Law II.)

AWARDS: For each division there will be:

- A) A trophy- for the winning team
- B) Gold medals- for each member of the winning team
- C) Silver medals - for each member of the finalist team.

G.H.A.C. REPRESENTATION: Senior refer to the G.H.A.C. agreement.

GENERAL REGULATIONS:

A) LEAGUE PROCEDURE

1. Every team will play each other once.
2. All games will consist of 12-minute quarters. A staff member should be assigned the duties of chief timer. NOTE: The referee has the right to take the watch from the chief

timer.

3. Standings based on 2 points for a win, 1 point for a tie and 0 for a loss.

B) PLAYOFF PROCEDURE

1. Quarterfinals (1st place bye, 7 vs. 2, 6vs. 3, 5vs. 4)
2. Semi-Finals - For Semi-Finals the Highest Seed will play the Lowest Seed (re-seed will take place if necessary)

Note: Higher ranked team is home.

C) CHAMPIONSHIP PROCEDURE

1. Highest ranked survivor will be home in the championship game.

D) TIE BREAKING PROCEDURE (As per H.W.C.A.A. Constitution By-Law II.)

In overtime, the winner of the coin toss shall choose offence (at opponent's 35 yard line), defence, or which end of the field shall be used for both series of that overtime period. The loser of the coin toss shall exercise the remaining option for the first extra period and shall have first choice of the two options for subsequent even-numbered extra-periods. An extra-period shall consist of each team putting the ball in play from the 35-yard line. Each team retains possession until it scores or fails to make a first down. The team that scores the most points in an extra-period is declared the winner. If the score remains tied another extra-period is played until a winner is declared.

E) A player ejected from a league or playoff game will be automatically prohibited from dressing and participating in the next scheduled game.

F) Any player that receives three penalties for unnecessary roughness or objectionable conduct during the course of the game will automatically be ejected from the game.

G) SCORES: The winning team must report results to the convener by 10 am the next morning after the game.

H) BALLS: The official prior to kick off must approve game balls.

I) The deadline for postponing games is 24 hours prior to the date of the game. The Chief Referee and the appropriate Conveners must be notified in advance. Games may need to be cancelled on the day of the game due to weather / field concerns.

J) HEADSETS: Each team is responsible for providing and maintaining their own headsets.

K) ROSTERS: If the coach does not produce a roster before the game commences the game will not begin until he provides a roster to the Football Scorekeeper. If this causes a delay in the game that team will receive a penalty.

1. Unnecessary roughness is no longer a restricted penalty when we are near the goal line. The full 15 yards will be administered unless the goal line is reached, then the ball will be put on the 1 yard line.
2. When there is 5 seconds remaining in the 20 second clock the referee will hold up an open hand to signify this. This way the coach can call a timeout if needed.
3. At all fields other than Ivor Wynne all players and coaches must be 5 yards back from the sideline while the ball is in play. At Ivor Wynne all players and coaches must be back of the yellow line while the ball is in play.

TINTED VISORS

- All visors must be clear – no doctor's note required
- Sport goggles or prescription glasses may be worn

The above rule is taken right out of the 2010-2011 Canadian Amateur Rule Book for Tackle Football. The following outlines how this rule will be handled for the upcoming High School Tackle Football Season.