

NOTICE OF MOTION 2011

1. Temporary Motion 2010/2011 – Applying for Permanent Status

Article VII, Section 3-15

The host team entry shall be defined as the team whose school is hosting the OFSS+AA Championship.

- (i) The host team shall have an automatic entry to the OFSAA Championship.
- (ii) Should the host team forfeit the right to go to the OFSAA Championship, the selection of two entries shall be made through the use of the two entry formula.
- (iii) Should the SOSSA Champion be the host team for the OFSAA Championship, the selection of the second entry shall be through the use of the two entry formula.

2. Article VII, 7-8 - OFSAA Second Entry Formula

- (i) Champion is automatic Entry
- (ii) Runner-up may be challenged for second *entry by the team losing to champions in semi-finals.

***unless**

(a) the challenging team is from the same zone as the runner-up and finished lower in zone championship.

(b) The runner-up defeated a team from the same zone as the challenging team and the defeated team finished higher than the challenging team in their zone championship.

To read:

***unless**

The two teams (challenger/runner-up) are from the same zone – the team that finished higher in the zone c Championship is the automatic second entry.

Motion 1

Existing

4 (c) For the SOSSA Inc. Playoffs, each zone shall be allowed three (3) winning teams and individual top three (3) winners, NOT members of a winning team (eg. may be 4th, 9th and 12th players overall).

Revised

4 (c) For the SOSSA Inc. Playoffs, each zone shall be allowed the top three (3) teams and top three (3) individuals, NOT members of a winning team (eg. may be 4th, 9th and 12th players overall) for the Boys Competition.

For the SOSSA Inc. Playoffs, each zone shall be allowed the top one (1) team and top seven (7) individuals, NOT members of a winning team (eg. may be 4th, 9th and 12th players overall etc.) for the Girls Competition. NOTE: at present, there is no girl's team championship at OFSAA. All qualifying is done on an individual basis.

Rationale

The existing SOSSA regulations for the Boys matches the OFSSA regulation perfectly (top team and top 2 individuals move on to OFSSA). The existing qualifications to qualify for Girls OFSAA is strictly done on an individual basis, so our qualifying from Zone to SOSSA should reflect this. We do award medals for the top team in Girl's SOSSA and there is some merit to having a team competition at the SOSSA level as well as an individual qualification into OFSSA, so there is still a need to qualify from Zone to SOSSA as a team.

Here is the current OFSAA motion for Girl's qualification into OFSAA for next year:

Each association may enter their top three (3) golfers regardless of their score. The host Association will be permitted to enter four (4) additional golfers. Additional entries will be added at the discretion of the convenor using a random draw." to "An association may enter a maximum of seven (7) golfers with a score of 110 or less on a minimum par 70 course. Each association may enter their top three (3) golfers regardless of their score. The host Association will be permitted to enter two (2) additional golfers. Additional association entries will be added at the discretion of the convenor using a random draw. Field size is limited to a maximum of 128 golfers."

Motion 2

Existing

4(d) No Zone qualifying score for the SOSSA Inc. Final tournament shall exceed in the case of a male golfer – 105 strokes and in the case of a female golfer – 130 strokes.

Revised

4(d) No Zone qualifying score for the SOSSA Inc. Final tournament shall exceed in the case of a male golfer – 100 strokes and in the case of a female golfer – 120 strokes.

Rationale

The goal from motion # 1 was to include more deserving female golfers and matching the OFSAA qualifications better. An individual female golfer would have to be able to break a maximum score of 120 to have a chance to qualify for OFSAA through the SOSSA event.

Motion 3

Existing

7. Scoring:

Coaches and players shall receive the proper procedure for marking the score for fellow competitors. Information shall be enclosed in rules and etiquette package. All players in each group shall keep a score card for all players in the group. Scores will be checked carefully with each member of the group after each hole. All members of the group must agree on the totals of nine (9) holes and after eighteen (18) holes and shall sign their OFFICIAL Score Card BEFORE handing into the convenor. Ties for low gross, to be broken by retrogression as per the Golf Association of Ontario (G.A.O.).

Revised

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Coaches and players shall receive the proper procedure for marking the score for fellow competitors. Information shall be enclosed in rules and etiquette package. Every player keeps a scorecard with every other player in the group on the scorecard. Scores will be verified after each hole with each member of the group. All cards will be signed by the scorer and player at the end of the round and handed in to Convenor. You as a player are responsible for the accuracy and legibility of all 18 holes, not the addition of those 18 holes. If you sign for a score lower than you made, you will be disqualified. If you sign for a score higher than you made, that score will stand.

Ties for low gross or to qualify for OFSAA as an individual are to be broken by retrogression as per the Golf Association of Ontario (G.A.O.). First tiebreaker is low back nine, then low last 6 holes, then low last 3 holes, then low last hole. A coin flip will determine winner at that point. If the tournament was contested using a shotgun tournament format, the Convenor will be in charge to determine the back nine, last 6, last 3, last hole based on when the golfer starts and finishes.

Rationale

The language has been revised slightly to include the exact language that exists in the Rules and Etiquette package and follows the Rules of Golf. Coaches must work with their players to reinforce a player's responsibility to handle the verification of the scorecard at the end of the round properly. Players must also take the responsibility very seriously.

The language for the tie breaking procedure needed to be "tightened up" as there are a few (some of which are outdated) definitions of retrogression accessible on the internet.

Motion 4

Existing

8. Department:

See Article X and XI

It is expected that team members will be properly attired for the golf course.

Revised

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See Article X and XI

It is expected that team members will be properly attired for the golf course. Spectators will be allowed on the golf course as long as it is allowed by host golf club (spectators are not allowed on some golf courses for insurance reasons). They will not be allowed to have any communication with the competitors during the round of golf. Failure to abide by this will result in the spectator(s) being asked to leave and/or disqualification of the student athlete.

Rationale

This is in line with the language that the GAO has in place. Spectators are allowed, but are not to coach, pressure or interfere with the players. This prevents any undue pressure being placed on the student athletes.

SOSSA INC. CO-EDUCATIONAL SWIMMING

Note: Swimming Motions accepted as a whole by SOSSA with exception:

#6 Entry (vi)

Exception: A competitor may enter a maximum of five (5) events: a maximum of three (3) individual events and a maximum of two (2) relays.

Motion: SOSSA Executive would like the rule to conform with OFSAA entry regulations.

Competitors may enter up to three (3) events, only two (2) of which maybe individual events.

Rationale: A swimmer would have to decline an entry to OFSAA if he/she won all three events (unless a swimmer makes the time standard). As there are no second place entries allowed this would possibility mean that SOSSA would be put in the position of voiding entries to OFSAA.

SOSSA also believes that the OFSAA experience is a positive one and should be shared by the maximum number of SOSSA student-athletes. This would allow more student-athletes the opportunity to participate in the experience of "going to OFSAA".

SOSSA Executive

SOSSA INC. CO-EDUCATIONAL SWIMMING

(updated as of May 2011) *Proposed changes are in italics*

PLAYING REGULATIONS

1. DATE

The SOSSA INC. Co-educational Swimming Championship will be held in January or February prior to the OFSAA Co-Educational Swimming Championship.

2. LOCATION

The location shall be decided not later than the SOSSA INC. Annual Meeting held in June of the school year prior to the championship.

3. ELIGIBILITY

A) TEAM ELIGIBILITY

- i) SOSSA INC. Swimming is classified as a **Team Sport**.
- ii) Only a bona fide member of a school team which is coached by a teaching staff member from that school may enter the SOSSA INC. Co-Educational Swimming Championship.
- iii) A school team is defined as a team composed of a minimum of (6) members who train as a team for at least two (2) consecutive months involving at least two (2) pool practices per week under the direction of a coach.
- iv) *A* coach is a teaching staff member of that school who is responsible for the team and is present at a majority of practices and all competitions. This may still allow for coaching assistance of a purely technical nature.
- v) *A* bona fide school team member is a student from that school who actively participates as a swimmer in the majority of practices of his/her school team. *Attendance of ten (10) practices is required.*
- vi) *In* the event of a lack of available pool time, a school can petition to be declared eligible under the signatures of the coach and principal. This letter of petition will be sent to the SOSSA Swimming Convenor. This letter of petition will be sent prior *to* November 1st of the swimming season.
- vii) In order to qualify for OFSAA, coaches must submit *a* list of names of all potential swimmers *by* December 15th to the SOSSA *convenor* to verify eligibility only.

B) STUDENT ELIGIBILITY

As per Article VII and VIII *in OFSAA swimming regulations:*

To represent a school in any activity co-ordinated by the Federation

a student must:

- (i) be eligible for competition under the Constitution, By-Laws and Standing Rules (Playing Regulations) of the Association to which his/her school belongs;
- (ii) be certified as eligible by the Principal of the school;
- (iii) meet the following age requirements:

Junior - the individual's birth certificate indicates that he/she has not reached his/her 15th birthday by January 1st prior to the start of the school year in which the competition is held;

Senior - the individual's birth certificate indicates he/she has not reached his/her 19th birthday by January 1st prior to the start of the school year in which the competition is held.

- (iv) be in Grades 9-12;
- (v) be eligible under the OFSAA Transfer Policy (By-Law 5, Section 4(f));
- (vi) be eligible for no more than five (5) consecutive years from date of entry into Grade 9 (By-Law 5, Section 4(g));
- (vii) have signed the Rules of Behaviour signature form for the competition.
- (viii) Para-swimmers with an SO/S14 classification are permitted to compete until the age of 21.

- ix) All athletes including Para swimmers must physically swim at the SOSSA Swimming Championships to be eligible to qualify for OFSAA.

4. MEET STRUCTURE

- i) The SOSSA INC. Co-educational Swimming Championship shall be run as one meet in the High school, OPEN and Para divisions. Classification~~s~~ of swimmers is as follows:

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- a) **PARA SWIMMERS**

All swimmers with a disability who meet the eligibility requirements and who are bona fide members of the school team compete in this division.

All Para swimmers will compete in one division.

After SOSSA, all Para swimmers must be appropriately classified.

All paperwork required for their classification must be

provided by accredited classifiers, to compete at *the*

OFSAA meet. Classifiers can be contacted via:

Special Olympics Ontario <http://slam.canoe.ca/OntarioSpecialOlympics>

Swim Ontario - <http://www.swimontario.com>

- S1-10 are physically disabled;
- S11, S12, S13 are blind;
- S14 are mentally disabled;
- SO are Special Olympic athletes.

Note: SNC charts will be used to score the S1-S14 categories and Special Olympic charts will be used to score the SO category.

Note: Please do this early in your season. It takes time to get a qualified person from Swim Ontario to assess your athlete.

b) OPEN DIVISION - JUNIOR AND SENIOR ARE COMBINED

A swimmer who has competed for and/or trained with and/or been registered with a SNC club or equivalent as of November 1st of the year prior to the current school year shall be eligible to compete in the Open Division only provided that he/she is a bona fide member of the school team. (SNC - Swimming/*Natation* Canada)

A swimmer who, during the current school year, has competed for and/or trained with and/or been registered with a non-SNC competitive swim club shall be eligible to compete in the Open Division only, provided that he/she is a bona fide member of the school team. If a grade 9 swimmer

has ceased to compete for and/or practice with and/or is no longer registered with a club after November 1st of the current school year, he/she shall be eligible to swim in the high school division.

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A “non-SNC competitive swim club” is defined as a club which practices outside the school curricular and/or extra curricular programs and whose athletes compete in scheduled swim meets for the club during the school swim season.

c) HIGH SCHOOL DIVISION - JUNIOR AND SENIOR

All other swimmers (ie. Not PARA or OPEN swimmers as defined above) who meet the eligibility requirements and who are bona fide members of the school team compete in this division.

- ii) The swim meet shall be operated according to time final events. The swimmer will swim only once in which the final placing is determined on the basis of his/her times.
- iii) The pool will be open for warm-ups prior to the heats and the finals. The warm-up schedule shall be determined by the convening committee and shall be distributed in the school information package.
- iv) A coaches’ meeting should be held prior to the meet where scratches can be made.

5. EVENTS

Boys' and Girls' competitions shall be conducted over one day in the following events:

i) HIGH SCHOOL DIVISION:

SENIOR EVENTS

- * 200 Metre Medley Relay
- * 200 Metre Freestyle Relay
- * 200 Metre Freestyle
- * 100 Metre Freestyle
- * 100 Metre Backstroke
- * 100 Metre Breaststroke
- * 100 Metre Individual Medley
- * 50 Metre Freestyle
- * 50 Metre Butterfly

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JUNIOR EVENTS

- * 200 Metre Medley Relay
- * 200 Metre Freestyle Relay

- * 100 Metre Freestyle
- * 100 Metre Individual Medley
- * 50 Metre Freestyle
- * 50 Metre Backstroke
- * 50 Metre Breaststroke
- * 50 Metre Butterfly

ii) OPEN DIVISION:

- * 400 Freestyle Relay
- * 200 Metre Individual Medley
- * 200 Metre Freestyle
- * 200 Metre Medley Relay
- * 100 Metre Freestyle
- * 100 Metre Backstroke
- * 100 Metre Butterfly
- * 100 Metre Breaststroke
- * 100 Metre Individual Medley
- * 50 Metre Freestyle

iii) PARA DIVISION:

- * 100 Metre Freestyle
- * 50 Metre Freestyle
- * 50 Metre Backstroke

6. ENTRY

- i) Entries will be accepted from zone convenors or designates only.
- ii) Entries must be received by the SOSSA INC. Convenor no later than one week prior to the Championship.

- iii) Only the top three (3) times from each zone shall enter each event unless the size of the pool can handle four event times in order to limit each event to two (2) heats.
- iv) Each zone may enter three (3) competitors per event in the SOSSA INC. meet.

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Each zone may hold a qualifying meet and the cost of this meet will be paid for by the zone. At the conclusion of the zone meet, the convenor will confirm all entries for the SOSSA INC. meet. The convenor will send in all entries for the zone and not the coaches unless an exception is made by the convenor.

- v) *Additional junior swimmers may be added to the 100 Breaststroke, 100 Backstroke, and 200 Freestyle if their qualifying time positions them in the top four of their Zone.*
- vi) *A competitor may enter a maximum of five (5) events; a maximum of three (3) individual events and a maximum of two (2) relays.*
- vii) A maximum of two (3) entrants per school will be accepted for each event at the SOSSA INC. Meet in the High school and OPEN events.

- viii) Para swimmers are eligible to swim all three events at the SOSSA INC. meet. They will have to choose only two (2) events to swim at OFSAA.
- ix) In Para events, a school may enter any number of Para swimmers with only top three (3) scoring in each event.
- x) A relay team may be made up of six (6) competitors, any four (4) of whom may swim, but for all six (6) listed the relays is considered an event.
- xi) For the Open Metre Relays, teams shall consist of swimmers from the High School Division, Open Division, or any combination thereof.
- xii) A Para competitor who chooses to swim in the Para division may not swim in the corresponding event in the High School or the Open division. For the other events, however, he/she may swim in the High School division only or the Open division only.
- xiii) The SOSSA INC. Convenor shall be responsible to ensure that the OFSAA entries are submitted.
- xiv) If time permits, a ten minute break will be given between the Medley *Relays* and 50 metre fly, as well as between the 100 I.M. and the Freestyle Relays.
- xv) Scratches made on the day of the championship will be allowed, but NO new entries and/or replacement swimmers shall be allowed.

- xvi) No entries shall be made later than the Friday prior to the Championship meet.

- xvii) The convenor, if at all possible shall make available a warm up and cool down lane, separate from the competition pool, throughout the championship meet.

- xviii) There shall be **NO** on deck entries on the day of the Championship meet.

- xix) Swimmers will be permitted to wear swim suits that contradict the SNC guidelines for cultural and/or religious reasons at the discretion of the meet referee.

EXPENSES

- i) An entry fee shall be charged to cover all incurred costs to run the SOSSA INC. meet.

- ii) A financial convenor report shall be submitted to the Administrative SOSSA INC. Secretary-Treasurer following the Championships.

8. RULES AND OFFICIALS

- i) **SNC** rules for high school shall govern competition at the SOSSA INC. Championship.
- ii) The meet convenor shall be responsible for obtaining competent officials for the SOSSA INC. Championship.
- iii) Only school coaches, competitors and officials are allowed on the pool deck.

9. SCORING

Scoring shall be:

1st place 9 points

2nd place 7 points

3rd place 6 points

4th place 5 points

5th place 4 points

6th place 3 points

7th place 2 points

8th place 1 point

It shall be double points for the relays.

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10. AWARDS

- i) SOSSA INC. Ribbons are available to all competitors. The convenor will contact the Administrative SOSSA INC. Secretary-Treasurer to obtain them prior to the Championship.
- ii) An overall team Championship shall be declared by including ALL CATEGORIES.

11. MEDICAL

Qualified first aid personnel and equipment shall be available at the Championship site. Coaches shall provide all consumable medical supplies (ie. Tape, bandaids) for athletes.

12. APPEALS AND PROTESTS

See Article IX.

13. DEPARTMENT

See Article X and XI.