



LOSSA ZONE BADMINTON PLAYING REGULATIONS 2016 - 2017

(Revised as of 2017)

Classification: Junior and Senior (as per LOSSA regulations)

Official Rules:

Play will be governed by the current International Badminton Federation regulations as outlined in the current Ontario Badminton Association rule book –matches are the best 2/3 with games played with Rally pt to 21. Winning team must win by 2 (maximum 30 pts).

The official shuttlecock will be as designated by OFSAA each season. The shuttlecock designated for the current season will be YELLOW Yonex Mavis 350 (as approved at OFSAA 2007).

Uniforms (as per OFSAA regulations):

- a) All competitors are expected to dress in the designated school Badminton team uniform. Uniforms must be neat, clean and maintain the integrity of the school. No sport club insignia on uniforms and no spandex shorts shall be permitted. Inappropriately dressed competitors will not be allowed to play and must forfeit for that tournament date.
- b) A sport club is defined as a community, provincially or nationally based organization whose primary purpose is participation in organized competition in single or multi sport programs.
- c) Players may wear headgear long-sleeve t-shirts and track pants only for religious/medical reasons in consultation with the LOSSA convenor.
- d) All athletes from the same school must wear matching uniforms. Student-athletes must remain fully clothed in the appropriate team uniform in the competition area, AND use the designated locker room or change area to change to and from competition attire.
- e) It is the responsibility of the coaches and players, not the Convenor or umpires, to make certain all players are properly attired. Officials will check dress code at the on-deck area.

EYEWEAR: (as per OBA rules)

Safety goggles are mandatory on court at all times for all players in all categories, during LOSSA sanctioned tournaments. This includes warm-ups as well as match play. Protective eyewear must meet ASTM F803 approval through the Canadian Standards Association (CSA). Please note that prescription eyeglasses ARE NOT sufficient as they do not cover the entire eye and they do not meet the ASTM F803 standards. Players without protective eyewear (goggles) will forfeit the tournament on that day.



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LEAGUE STRUCTURE:

LOSSA Badminton includes the following schools (31) at present: *LOSSA divisions will be LOSSA West, LOSSA East, LOSSA Central & LOSSA North.*

CENTRAL ZONE	EAST ZONE	WEST ZONE	NORTH ZONE
Anderson CVI	Bowmanville HS	Dunbarton HS	All Saints CSS
Henry Street HS	Courtice HS	Notre Dame CSS	Father Leo Austin CSS
RS McLaughlin CVI	Durham Christian HS	Pickering HS	Maxwell Heights SS
O'Neill CVI	Eastdale CVI	Pine Ridge SS	Sinclair SS
Paul Dwyer CSS	Holy Trinity SS	J. Clarke Richardson SS	Uxbridge SS
Pereyma CSS	St. Stephen's SS	St. Mary CSS	Donald A. Wilson SS
GL Roberts CVI	Clarke HS	Ecole Ronald-Marion	Brooklin
	Clarington Central	Ajax HS	

Classification may be changed based on school declaration each season with revisions based on overall balance in the individual zones.

LOSSA Convenor (as per OBA Handbook)

1. LOSSA Zone Convenor is in overall charge of the tournament.
2. The LOSSA Convenor will be responsible for providing a qualified umpire for each tournament.
3. The designated umpire shall report to the LOSSA Zone convenor for all decisions
4. The LOSSA Zone convenor shall uphold, interpret and enforce all LOSSA Zone bylaws, including draw creation or changes. Official coaches shall present any concerns in these areas directly to the Convenor.
5. The responsibility of the LOSSA Zone convenor is to run the draw as per LOSSA regulations and make any rule interpretations as necessary.

LOSSA Zone Umpire

1. There must be a qualified umpire at each zone tournament.
2. The umpire is in charge of matches, the order of play, the courts and surroundings.
3. The umpire may be called as a service judge on player request.
4. The umpire will appoint or remove line judges or service judge in consultation with the LOSSA Zone convenor.
5. The umpire's decision is final on all points of fact for which the umpire is responsible.
6. The umpire shall uphold the laws of badminton as per Badminton Canada regulations.

The responsibility of the umpire is to ensure that the draw adheres to Badminton Canada regulations and will make any rule interpretations necessary during play.

Jury of Appeal (as per OFSAA)

The Jury of Appeal shall consist of three (3) individuals – LOSSA Zone Convenor, the tournament umpire and another member designated by the LOSSA Zone convenor. An appeal fee as per LOSSA regulations is due to the LOSSA Secretary at this time.

The Jury of Appeal shall handle disputes that fall within the realm of:

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



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

Any dispute must be submitted in writing to the Convenor or Designate together with the appropriate LOSSA appeal fee (refundable if dispute is upheld) within thirty (30) minutes of the completion of any match

Decisions of the Jury of Appeal shall be final. A report of the Jury of Appeal decisions shall be forwarded to the LOSSA Convenor.

LOSSA Zone Tournaments

1. Dates for LOSSA Zone tournaments shall be set at the pre-season coaches' meeting – each school is required to send a representative in order that their school may be eligible. Order of play will be doubles tournament followed by singles tournament and then mixed doubles tournament.
2. LOSSA SR. Finals will be scheduled two weeks prior to OFSAA competition.

Athlete Participation in LOSSA Zones

1. Each school may enter a maximum of THREE (3) male and THREE (3) female athletes in each of the age divisions (Junior & Senior) in singles play, THREE (3) male and THREE (3) female teams in each of the age divisions (Junior & Senior) in doubles play, and THREE (3) teams in each of the age divisions (Junior & Senior) in mixed doubles play.
2. Any athlete participating in a LOSSA qualifying event must have participated in a minimum of ten (10) practices with their high school team as a member of a bona fide high school program during the current season under the supervision of a teacher-coach as certified by the principal.
3. Each change made to a school entry form after the posted draw deadline will have a "late fee" of \$5.00 per player charged to the participating school – these changes could include substitution or withdrawal. Additions may not be made after the entry deadline.
4. An individual player may enter all of the three events – if a player qualifies for LOSSA Badminton Finals in an event, they are not eligible for any subsequent event.
5. Any player may compete in only one age division.
6. All players are expected to fulfill their participation throughout the tournament day (To be present from the 1st match to the final match). In cases where students do not fulfill their participation commitment at LOSSA Zone competitions, a report will be forwarded by the Zone Convenor to the LOSSA Convenor. Players may be declared ineligible for further competition at LOSSA tournaments.
7. If it is determined that a player tried intentionally to lose a match or matches at any qualifying event, that player will be disqualified from further play at that event or subsequent events. That decision will be made by the tournament jury of appeal and a report will be forwarded to the LOSSA Convenor.

LOSSA Coaching Responsibility (as per OFSAA)

1. Coaches are to be on time, and each school must have at least ONE LOSSA coach present and on site throughout the tournament day. This coach must be a school staff member.
2. Coaches must be designated by the principal and approved by LOSSA. Any outside coaches must complete and submit the LOSSA Outside Coaches Form prior to the start of Zone tournaments.
3. The team coach is responsible for the behaviour of all school players for the duration of the LOSSA Zone tournament.
4. All coaches are expected to adhere to the OFSAA Code of Ethics for Coaches.



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5. All coaches are expected to adhere to the rules and regulations as per IBF regulations – failure to comply may result in withdrawal of the coach from the tournament site.
6. Only LOSSA approved coaches are permitted to go on court to coach players during matches.

LOSSA Zone Format

1. Zone tournaments will be a modified double elimination format – that means there will not be a playoff between the winner of the main draw and the winner of the elimination round.
2. Maximum number of entrants in any event will be 3 players/teams per participating school.
3. The double elimination draw will be made by the LOSSA convenor and zone convenors with adherence to the following guidelines:
 - a. Each school's top 2 players will be on opposite halves and all 3 will be separate quarters of the tournament draw. It is the coaches' responsibility to double check all entries at the meeting on the day of the tournament and on the eligibility list.
 - b. The draw will be generated by TMS computer software and will be done with random selection.
 - c. All players/teams will be put into the draw by current tournament draw procedures.
 - d. If two players/teams meet in the elimination part of the draw for a second time at a specific tournament, those players/teams must play again, with the winner advancing and the loser being eliminated. (no walkovers)

Awards

1. LOSSA Zone ribbons will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th place in each tournament.
2. LOSSA Zone team trophies will be awarded to the school(s) with the most accumulated points as per the LOSSA scoring system.

1st place – 5 points
2nd place – 4 points
3rd place – 3 points
4th place – 2 points

LOSSA Qualifiers

The top 3 competitors in each event will represent the respective zone at the LOSSA finals competition. In case of injury, etc. to any of these players, the 4th place finisher at the zone may substitute at LOSSA finals.

Zone Competition Costs

The overall cost for LOSSA Badminton will be determined by the LOSSA Convenor each season prior to the pre-season coaches' meeting. This fee will include the cost of shuttlecocks, officials and awards. Cheques for LOSSA Zone competition must be submitted at this initial meeting each year.

DEADLINES

- To be set at the pre-season coaches meeting by the convenor.
- Tournament entries, team fees and eligibility lists are due by the due date/time as specified by the convenor at the pre-season coaches meeting or the team/player is not eligible for that event.



LOSSA BADMINTON FINALS PLAYING REGULATIONS 2015 – 2016 (Revised May 2010)

FORMAT

1. The LOSSA Finals will be a double elimination tournament with 12 players/teams in each draw as per attachments herein:
 - a. LOSSA Badminton Finals Main Draw
 - b. LOSSA Badminton Finals Doubles Elimination Draw (Rally point 2/3 games per match)
 - c. Format set by LOSSA convenor with zone qualifiers of 1st place given a bye in the first match and random assignment of the 4 divisions to play 2nd vs 3rd place.

OFSAA QUALIFICATION

The top two (2) players/teams in LOSSA Senior Division Finals will represent LOSSA at the OFSAA Badminton championships held in the first week of May each season. In the event that one of these players/teams cannot participate at OFSAA, the 3rd place player/team will be selected to play in the 2nd place position.

Individual Awards

1. Medals will be presented for 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th place in each of the 10 events. (16 gold medals, 16 silver medals, 16 bronze medallions and 16 antique bronze medallions).
2. LOSSA T-shirts will be awarded to all LOSSA champions and LOSSA finalists in all Senior events. (16 T-shirts). The design of the T-shirt will be the responsibility of the LOSSA convenor each season. (as per motion of LOSSA coaches, May 1995)

Team Awards

1. Points will be awarded in the 10 individual events for the LOSSA Junior and Senior Team Trophies in the following way:

1st place	15 points	4th place	6 points
2nd place	12 points	5th place	3 points
3rd place	9 points	6th place	3 points

2. The LOSSA Junior Team Trophy and LOSSA pennant will be awarded to that school that accumulates the most team points in the Junior Division. The LOSSA Senior Team Trophy and LOSSA pennant will be awarded to that school that accumulates the most team points in the Senior Division. The LOSSA Overall Championship Trophy and LOSSA pennant will be awarded to that school that accumulates the most points in Senior and Junior divisions combined.