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Bylaw NCS 14.404H

A player or team shall not enter the NCS Badminton Championships and then withdraw. (Only exceptions allowed without penalty are documented injury, documented illness or documented personal emergency.) Penalty for withdraw after brackets are posted.

PENALTY FOR VIOLATION: Any school whose team/individual qualifies to the NCS Badminton Championships and does not compete in all eligible rounds for the respective championship will be subject to one or more of the following penalties as determined by NCS Badminton Management Committee panel:

- a. Disqualification from the respective sport championship series in the following year from date of infraction.
- b. Loss of privilege to participate in the NCS Championship Series Events in badminton for two years.
- c. Reduction of maximum number of games the following school year in the badminton according to the following scale:
 - i. Failure of the regular varsity team/individual to participate in the championship contest – two contests reduction.
 - ii. Failure of the regular varsity team/individual to participate in the semifinal and championship contests – four contests reduction.
 - iii. Failure of the regular varsity team to participate in the quarterfinal, semifinal and championship contests – six contests reduction.

EVENTS

There will be five (5) events at the NCS Badminton Championships. A player may only be entered in one event. The five (5) events are as follows:

- a) Girls' singles
- b) Boys' singles
- c) Girls' doubles
- d) Boys' doubles
- e) Mixed doubles

DIVISIONS AND FORMAT

Championships shall be conducted in TWO divisions using previous year's TOTAL school enrollment numbers, grades 9-12. Division can be found on the NCS badminton page.

QUALIFICATIONS

A player may be entered in one event only. The following formula should be used to determine entries into the NCS Badminton Championships.

ENTRIES

Entries to the NCS Badminton Championship must be received by the Entry Coordinator, from the league commissioners or their designated representatives, no later than the posted deadline in the Championship Guide. The following formula should be used to determine entries into the NCS Badminton Championships.

*NOTE: If a league has a mixture of both D1 and D2 schools, qualification criteria a-e apply **separately** to all D1 schools in that league (as a group), and all D2 schools in that league (as a group):*

- a) If a league fields 2 – 3 badminton teams of a particular division, it will receive 3 entries to that division's NCS Tournament.
- b) If a league fields 4 – 5 badminton teams of a particular division, it will receive 4 entries to that division's NCS Tournament.
- c) If a league fields 6 – 7 badminton teams of a particular division, it will receive 5 entries to that division's NCS Tournament.
- d) If a league fields 8 or more badminton teams of a particular division, it will receive 6 entries to that division's NCS Tournament.
- e) If a league fields 1 badminton team of a particular division, that team will receive 1 entry per event to that division's NCS Tournament, **PLUS** the ability to qualify 1 additional entry per event by participating in the

league's D1 qualifying tournament provided that entry finishes: a) top-3 in a league of 2-3 Division 1 teams, b) top-4 in a league of 4-5 Division 1 teams, c) top-5 in a league of 6-7 Division 1 teams, or d) top-6 in a league of 8 or more Division 1 teams.

For purposes of determining the number of teams within a league, a team is defined as having nine individuals/doubles (i.e. – four boys singles, four girls' singles, two boys' doubles, two girls doubles and 2 mixed doubles would count as 14 individuals/doubles, qualifying for a team. Single gender schools must have five individuals/doubles to qualify as a team.

Entries must be received as follows:

Division 1 – send to Steve Strout **ON OR PRIOR** to Sunday, May 11, 2025 (no later than 11:59 pm). See page 8 and 9 for entry forms.

Division 2 – send to Whitney Baron/Victor Leung **ON OR PRIOR** to Sunday, May 11, 2025 (no later than 11:59 pm). See page 8 and 9 for entry forms. STEPS TO SUBMIT ENTRIES:

- ☐ Go to the badminton homepage at <http://cifncc.org/sports/badminton/index>
- ☐ Click on ENTRY FORM and type ALL information
- ☐ Email entries to: Steve Strout, strout.steve@gmail.com (Division 1) and/or Whitney Baron/Victor Leung, NCSdivision2@gmail.com (Division 2)

ALTERNATES

A player may be entered in one event only. Alternates will not be allowed to play unless they are listed on the entry form submitted by the league. A player may not be listed as an alternate if he/she is listed as an entrant in another event. Alternates will not be allowed to participate unless included by the league rep prior to the end of the coaches meeting.

FORMAT

The championship bracket will be a single elimination tournament with the following exception. Players in the championship bracket who have lost to a semifinalist will enter the consolation bracket. Championship semifinal players who are defeated will be cross-bracketed into the semifinal positions of the consolation bracket.

DEVELOPMENT OF BRACKETS

- a. Development of brackets will follow the following order:
 - a. Boys singles
 - b. Girls singles
 - c. Boys doubles
 - d. Girls doubles
 - e. Mixed doubles
- b. Brackets will be developed according to the following procedures in sequential order:
 - a. There will be no seeding
 - b. Champions will be separated in the first round.
 - c. First & second place qualifiers from the same league will be placed in opposite halves by draw and third and fourth place should not be in the same half.
 - d. Quarter brackets will separate the top four qualifiers from each league.
- c. Any out-brackets for a fifth qualifier, supplemental placement, or new league, to the formula will be decided by out-bracketing the first #4 seed that will not upset or create an imbalance in the draw.
- d. Formulas developed by the NCS Badminton Management Committee will be used to develop the brackets based on letter b above.

COACHES CERTIFICATION (CIF 503)

- a) All public-school teams must be coached by a person who meets the requirements of the California Education Code and the California Administrative Code Title V.
- b) In the case of a non-public school, a person engaged by that school on a yearly contract basis and certified by the administrator of that school as competent for that position held.

A COACH OR HIS/HER DESIGNEE (WITH WRITTEN PERMISSION OF THE PRINCIPAL) MUST ACCOMPANY EACH PLAYER/TEAM AND SUBMIT THE "CERTIFICATION OF AUTHORIZED PERSONNEL FORM". Participants who are not accompanied by a certified coach will be prohibited from competing.