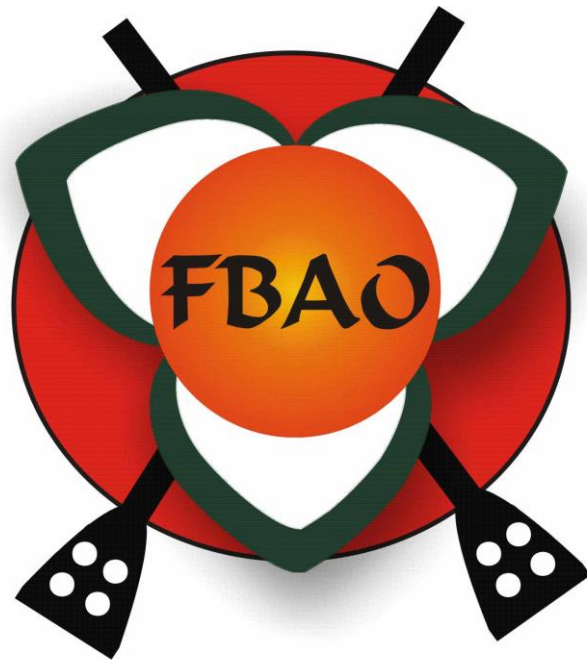


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ARTICLE C1 – NAME

The name of this organization shall be the FEDERATION OF BROOMBALL ASSOCIATIONS OF ONTARIO, hereinafter referred to as the F.B.A.O.

ARTICLE C2 – PURPOSE

To encourage, administer, and coordinate the development of broomball throughout the province of Ontario.

ARTICLE C3 – OBJECTIVES

- C3.1 To establish opportunities for competition at all levels of participation.
- C3.2 To create and implement leadership opportunities for coaches, officials, and administrators.
- C3.3 To promote awareness and development of broomball in all areas of Ontario.
- C3.4 To monitor the historic development of broomball in Ontario.

ARTICLE C4 – MEMBERSHIP

- C4.1 Membership in the F.B.A.O. shall be composed of such broomball teams, leagues, and regions (hereinafter referred to as Broomball Organizations), which agree to abide by and comply with the Constitution, By-Laws, and Rules & Regulations of the F.B.A.O.
- C4.2 The regional boundaries of the F.B.A.O. are derived from the map of Ontario. These are geographically defined and named as follows:
 - C4.2.1 Central East: comprising of the counties of Peel, York, Durham, Peterborough, Victoria, Haliburton, Muskoka, Simcoe, Northumberland, Prince Edward, and Hastings (May 1996).
 - C4.2.2 Central West: comprising of the counties of Halton, Wellington, Dufferin, Grey, Bruce, Huron, Perth, and Waterloo.
 - C4.2.3 Eastern: comprising of the counties of Lennox and Addington, Leeds, Frontenac, Grenville, Dundas, Stormont-Glengary, Prescott, Russell, Carleton, Lanark, and Renfrew.
 - C4.2.4 North Eastern: comprising of the counties of Temiskaming, Cochrane, Sudbury, and Algoma, north of the 47th parallel. (Presently dormant) The F.B.A.O. agrees to support Northern Ontario as a separate identity being self-governed, as is the F.B.A.O., if they so desire as per our Constitution (April 2003).

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- C4.2.5 North Western: comprising of the counties of Patricia District, Kenora, Rainy River, and Thunder Bay. (Presently dormant) The F.B.A.O. agrees to support Northern Ontario as a separate identity being self-governed, as is the F.B.A.O., if they so desire as per our Constitution (April 2003).
- C4.2.6 North Central: comprising of the counties of Parry Sound, Manitoulin Island, Nipissing, Algoma, and Sudbury, south of the 47th parallel. (Presently dormant) The F.B.A.O. agrees to support Northern Ontario as a separate identity being self-governed, as is the F.B.A.O., if they so desire as per our Constitution (April 2003).
- C4.2.7 South West: comprising of the counties of Essex, Kent, Elgin, Norfolk, Haldimand, Welland, Lincoln, Brant, Oxford, Middlesex, Lambton, and Wentworth.

ARTICLE C5 – REGIONAL STRUCTURE

- C5.1 A minimum of 100 members shall be registered to be recognized as a region. If the minimum requirement cannot be met, the region or regions may not be recognized for the following year at the discretion of the Board of Directors. (May 2022)
- C5.2 Each league will elect a representative to the Regional Board of Directors (one-year term).
- C5.3 The Regional Board of Directors will elect an executive for a two (2) year term. The composition of the executive will be as follows:
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| ❖ President | two (2) year term |
| ❖ 1 st Vice President (Administration) | two (2) year term |
| ❖ 2 nd Vice President (Technical) | two (2) year term |
| ❖ Secretary | two (2) year term |
| ❖ Treasurer | two (2) year term |

The executive is to be elected on alternate years as follows:

1. President, Secretary, and 2nd Vice President
 2. 1st Vice President and Treasurer on the other
- C5.4 The Regional Board of Directors will elect two (2) representatives to the F.B.A.O. Board of Directors. If a representative is elected to the F.B.A.O. Executive, the region will replace such delegate with another.
- C5.5 The region will select a Regional Convener from their two (2) representatives.
- C5.6 The onus of development in each region is the responsibility of the Regional Board of Directors. This includes, but does not restrict itself to the following:

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- C5.6.1 Enforcing rules and regulations in each area.
- C5.6.2 Coordinating major and minor officials in that area under the supervision of the F.B.A.O.
- C5.6.3 Coordinating coaching programs under the supervision of the F.B.A.O.
- C5.6.4 Coordinating players' clinics under the supervision of the F.B.A.O.
- C5.6.5 Developing minor broomball in the area – U12, U14, U16, and U20.
- C5.6.6 Promoting broomball in the area.
- C5.6.7 Supervising F.B.A.O. sanctioned tournaments.
- C5.6.8 Supervising and organizing the Regional Championships.

ARTICLE C6 – REGIONAL TRANSFERS

- C6.1 Teams in a dormant (May 1996) region will be allowed to compete in the closest region with approval from the concerned region and the F.B.A.O. Executive Committee. (May 1993)
- C6.2 Any broomball league affiliated with the F.B.A.O. and situated in one of the designated regions that want to be changed to another region must make an application to the F.B.A.O. and make the change, providing the following conditions have been met:
 - C6.2.1 That both regions involved give their consent.
 - C6.2.2 That it is accepted by the F.B.A.O. Executive Committee.

ARTICLE C7 – BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Composition of the Board

- C7.1.1 The Board of Directors shall consist of two (2) representatives from each region.

Duties and Powers of the Board

- C7.1.2 Administer and control the affairs of the F.B.A.O.
- C7.1.3 Fill any vacancies that may occur in its number.
- C7.1.4 Be the only legal body to enter into contracts and transactions in the name of the F.B.A.O.

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- C7.1.5 Have power to amend the Constitution & By-Laws.
- C7.1.6 Be the final court of appeal and the authority in all matters relating to broomball in the Province of Ontario.

Tenure (F.B.A.O. Executive Officers)

- C7.1.7 F.B.A.O. Executive Officers shall be elected by the board members by a motion passed by a quorum (April 2016) and shall hold office for a minimum period of two (2) years. All region representatives are to be elected on an annual basis by their Regional Board of Directors.
- C7.1.8 It is recommended that regional representatives holding an executive office in the F.B.A.O. relinquish any executive position they might hold in their region.
- C7.1.9 Any member of the Board who is unable to attend a meeting must notify the President or the Secretary of the F.B.A.O. A valid reason should be submitted. Failure to do so will result in the matter being dealt with by the Board of Directors.

Voting Powers

- C7.1.10 Each region must have two (2) voters at the Board of Director's Meetings and Annual General Meetings. They must be present to cast their votes (no proxy votes will be allowed).
- C7.1.11 For any region with 200 or less registered players/officials (May 2022) from the previous year, only one representative will be paid for by the province. Voting powers stay the same and no proxy votes. The region may pay for the second representative's total cost (May 1989).

Travel and Food Allowance

- C7.1.12 F.B.A.O. per diem is \$10.00 for breakfast, \$20.00 for lunch, and \$30.00 for dinner for a total of \$60.00 per day. F.B.A.O. mileage reimbursement for the Executive and Board of Directors will be \$0.40 per kilometre for the first 500 kilometres, and \$0.35 per kilometre thereafter. (May 2022)

ARTICLE C8 – EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

Composition of the Executive Committee

- C8.1 President
- C8.2 Two (2) Vice-Presidents

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C8.3 Secretary

C8.4 Treasurer

C8.5 Immediate Past President

Elections

C8.6.1 Executive Officers will be elected on alternate years as follows:

- President, Second Vice-President, and Secretary one year; and
- First Vice-President and Treasurer the other year.

Duties and Powers of Executive Officers

C8.6.2 President

The President shall serve as Chief Executive Officer of the F.B.A.O. and shall have such powers and perform such duties as are incident to their office. They shall preside at all meetings of the F.B.A.O. and the Executive Committee and shall be ex-officio member of all committees.

C8.6.3 First Vice-President - Administration

The First Vice-President shall perform the duties of the President in their absence. They will also be in charge of administrative functions and any other duties delegated by the President.

C8.6.4 Second Vice-President - Technical

The Second Vice-President shall perform duties of the First Vice-President in their absence. In addition, they shall oversee the technical aspects of broomball, and any other duties delegated by the President.

C8.6.5 Secretary

The Secretary shall keep an accurate record of the proceedings of the F.B.A.O., the Executive Committee and any other duties delegated by the President.

C8.6.7 Treasurer

The Treasurer shall keep an accurate record of all the monies received and disbursed by the F.B.A.O. and report annually to the F.B.A.O. They shall prepare an audited financial statement to be enclosed with the notice of the Annual General Meeting.

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C8.6.7 Immediate Past President

The Immediate Past President shall serve as an advisor to the Board.

ARTICLE C9 – COMMITTEES

C9.1 Executive Committee

C9.1.1 Composition

The Executive Committee shall consist of all executive officers of the Board.

C9.1.2 Duties and Powers

The Executive Committee shall be charged with framing and supervising the general program of the F.B.A.O. and shall perform such other duties as may be assigned to it by this Constitution or by the F.B.A.O.

C9.1.3 Meetings

The Executive Committee shall meet prior to and after the Board of Directors and Annual General Meeting and at such time as may be deemed necessary by the President.

C9.1.4 Coaching, Official, and Disciplinary Chairperson are appointed by the Executive Committee; they have no voting powers.

C9.1.5 The Executive Committee is to review all appointments annually prior to the A.G.M.; for a decision on re-appointments and/or new appointments. Outgoing appointees shall be notified by the week prior to the A.G.M. (April 2008)

C9.1.6 Board of Directors and Executive Committee can appoint Ad Hoc Committees as required.

C9.1.7 Associated members fee to be waived for F.B.A.O. Executive, Board of Directors, and Standing Committee. (May 1994)

C9.2 Officials' Committee Chairperson

C9.2.1 Areas of Responsibility (May 1996)

The Officials' Committee Chairperson oversees the quality of officiating within the F.B.A.O. Working with the Regional Referee-in-Chief, the Officials' Committee Chairperson oversees such refereeing concerns as evaluations, scheduling officials for

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any designated tournaments, and Junior and Senior (April 2016) Provincials. The chairperson also takes part in selecting Provincial and National Championship officials. The chairperson will also monitor the playing rules on an ongoing basis and will oversee any rule change procedures. Finally, the chairperson evaluates current and new refereeing resources.

C9.3 Coaching Committee Chairperson

C9.3.1 Areas of Responsibility (May 1996)

The Coaching Committee Chairperson is responsible for the Association's coaching programs. These include offering coaching clinics, creating resources to assist coaches, and reviewing current risk management resources and policies. The Coaching Committee Chairperson also takes part in the rule review process, representing the concern coaches may have about playing rules. The chairperson also maintains programs that meet the Canadian Broomball Federation coaching standards. Finally, the Coaching Committee Chairperson oversees the certification standards for coaches involved in Provincial and National Championships.

ARTICLE C10 - DISCIPLINE CHAIRPERSON

C10.1 Areas of Responsibility (May 1996)

The Discipline Chairperson shall be the individual responsible for overseeing that proper discipline is provided to members of the F.B.A.O. The Discipline Chairperson will ensure that discipline committees are set up for F.B.A.O. Provincial Championship events and any tournaments hosted directly by the F.B.A.O.

ARTICLE C11 - MEETINGS

C11.1 Date: the Annual General Meeting (A.G.M.) of the F.B.A.O. should be held on the last weekend of April or the first weekend of the month of May, as determined at the previous year's A.G.M. Board of Directors meetings will be held as determined at the A.G.M. (April 2015)

C11.2 Location: the location of the next Annual Meeting will be decided at the Annual Meeting.

C11.3 Rule of Order: the following are the regulations for the governing body of the F.B.A.O. during the time of business, and the business shall be disposed of in the following order:

C11.3.1 No motion shall be received unless submitted in writing, with the names of the mover and the seconder thereon. Discussion on said motion shall not be open until so stated

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by the presiding officer. All motions relating to the Constitution and/or By-Laws are to reference the specific article(s) being deleted, added to, and/or amended. (October 1998)

- C11.3.2 All motions shall be decided by a majority of votes, except where two-thirds majority governs. In the case of a tie, the presiding officer shall have the deciding vote.
- C11.3.3 No delegate shall speak twice on the same subject without the permission of the Chair, unless in explanation, or the mover in reply.
- C11.3.4 A delegate desiring to speak or submit a motion shall rise and remain standing, or remain seated and raise their hand; and respectfully address the Chair when given the floor. They shall confine their remarks to the question, and shall not be interrupted unless upon a point of order. (April 2015)
- C11.3.5 Upon a point of order being raised while a delegate is speaking or when called upon, the delegate must at once take their seat. The point of order shall then be stated by the delegate objecting, and the presiding officer shall decide without debate, and the delegate may proceed.
- C11.3.6 No amendment to the motion shall be in order after an amendment to an amendment.
- C11.3.7 When a motion is under debate, no motion shall be entertained except to lay on the table or amend, and these motions shall take precedence in the order named.
- C11.3.8 An amendment that entirely changed the original motion's subject shall not be entertained as an amendment or substitution for the motion under debate.
- C11.3.9 After the motion has been stated by the presiding officer, it becomes the property of the F.B.A.O., but may be withdrawn at any time prior to amendment unless objected to by a delegate.
- C11.3.10 There shall be no debate upon a question after it has been put to a vote by the presiding officer.
- C11.3.11 When the vote is called, it shall be taken by each delegate holding up one of their hands, unless the standing vote, at which the yeas and nays may be taken or by a secret ballot. (May 1996)
- C11.3.12 Representation
- Each region shall elect two (2) delegates and one (1) substitute delegate. The substitute will replace a delegate who is unable to attend a meeting. No delegate is allowed to

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vote without first filing with the Secretary of the F.B.A.O. a confirmation of their appointment as regional representative.

C11.3.13 Special Meetings

Special Meetings of the Board may be called at any time at the President's request.

C11.3.14 Quorum

A quorum of the F.B.A.O. shall consist of two-thirds of the membership of the Board. A quorum is established based on the number of regions in good standing (including the minimum number of members registered annually). This is subject to review every year. Voting powers will be determined after the final registration of each region as submitted to the F.B.A.O. (May 1993)

C11.3.15 Rules and Regulations

Rules and regulations may be changed at a general meeting. A proposed amendment to the rules and regulations must be submitted to the Secretary at least two (2) weeks prior to the meeting. The Secretary shall forward to the regions one (1) week prior to the general meeting all proposed changes to the rules and regulations.

C11.3.16 Minutes/Motions

Copies of all motions passed at the F.B.A.O. Board of Directors' Meetings and Annual General Meetings are to be emailed to each region's Convener or President within two (2) weeks of each meeting, in order to keep the regions informed of modifications to the Constitution and By-Laws. (May 2022)

ARTICLE C12 – AMENDMENT

The Constitution may only be amended at the Annual General Meeting by a two-thirds majority vote of all voting members present. (May 2022)

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ARTICLE B1 – MEMBERSHIP

B1.1 Affiliation Process

B1.1.1 Regions desiring affiliation must forward complete F.B.A.O. application forms and the applicable affiliation fee to the Treasurer of the F.B.A.O.

B1.2.1 League registration forms are obtained when a deposit of \$100.00 is made to the region. This application fee is to be refunded if the member league fulfills all commitments.

B1.2.2 Expenses incurred by the region will be deducted from the amount.

B1.3 Application Deadlines

B1.3.1 The effective date for membership is August 1st through to July 31st.

B1.3.2 F.B.A.O. affiliation forms are to be in the hands of the Regional Executive by September 1st.

B1.3.3. The deadline for membership application is November 25th.

B1.3.4 Team and Player Registration Forms and Team-Player Addition/Deletion Forms, and any other forms noted in the list below, must be in the Regional office by November 30th.

- Release of Liability, Waiver of Claims, Assumption of Risks, and Indemnity Agreement
- Concussion Form (if applicable) (November 2022)

B1.3.5 F.B.A.O. affiliation forms, Team and Player Registration Forms and Team-Player Addition/Deletion Forms, and Concussion Awareness Forms (where applicable) must be in the Provincial office by December 15th. (November 2022)

B1.3.6 No player and/or Team official deletion can be made after November 25th. (May 2002)

B1.3.7 A team may delete a player and/or team official, without having the player and/or team official sign a deletion form. (May 2002)

B1.3.8 Individuals may register as a player, until January 15th of the playing season; as long as they are not already registered as a player. Individuals may register as a team official, major or minor official, and/or executive until January 15th of the playing season even if they are already registered. (May 2002) An addition form is to be used. Form is to be in Regional office by January 20th, and F.B.A.O. office by February 1st.

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- B1.3.9 F.B.A.O. affiliation forms must be in the Provincial office by December 15th. Regions unable to adhere to the registration deadlines will not be able to participate in the Junior & Senior Provincial Championships. Meeting deadlines means the Senior & Junior registration packages (Team and Player Registrations) and monies due for the registration must be in the F.B.A.O. office on or by the specified deadlines. (May 1993)
- B1.3.10 Any exceptions to B1.3.4 and B1.3.5 must be approved by the Regional Executive and the F.B.A.O.
- B1.3.11 All individuals listed in A12.1 are required to complete the Safe Sport training as part of their registration.
- B1.4 Provincial Championship Entries
- B1.4.1 Teams wishing to participate in their respective Junior or Senior Provincial championships must commit to their intention to do so by December 15th, the initial registration submission date. Registered teams dropping out by January 15th, the final registration submission date, will lose their participation bond. Teams dropping out past the January 15th final registration submission date will lose their Provincial participation entry fee in addition. (October 2008)

ARTICLE B2 – CLASSIFICATION

B2.1 Age Categories – Male and Female

U12 (formerly Pee Wee)	11 and under as of December 31 of playing season	
U14 (formerly Bantam)	13 and under as of December 31 of playing season	
U16 (formerly Midget)	15 and under as of December 31 of playing season	
U20 (formerly Juvenile)	19 and under as of December 31 of playing season	(October 1999)
Senior	16 and over as of December 31 of playing season	(May 2022)
Young Masters	30 and over as of December 31 of playing season for ladies and men	(May 2000)
Masters Men	40 and over as of December 31 of the playing season *The Masters Men division is allowed two (2) underage players per team. Both players to be 39 years old. These players must be signed as preferred masters' players. (April 2014)	

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Masters Ladies 35 and over as of December 31 of the playing season
(April 2009)

B2.2 Juniors

B2.2.1 There will be no body checking in the U12, U14, and U16 categories. (May 1991)

B2.2.2 A junior player may sign, with parental consent, to play in a senior league, but must conform to all Constitutions and By-Laws of the Provincial Association. Therefore, that player must decide which team is preferred. (May 1992)

B2.2.3 Preferred junior players playing common with a senior team must serve any suspensions as specified in AA 4.4. (October 2003)

B2.2.4 The U12 category at Junior Provincials will be Co-Ed, with a minimum of two female players, excluding the goalie on the ice. (April 2003)

B2.2.5 A Junior Waiver Form must be signed by the Parent or Legal Guardian of a player requiring a waiver. The waiver is the parental consent to allow the child to play in an older age category than what they are registered in, and/or to allow females to play on a male team.

Players who have reached the age of 18 years, prior to the start of an event, shall not require a Junior Waiver Form signed by their Parent or Legal Guardian.
(May 2022)

B2.2.6 Those players, under the age of 18 (May 2002) as of December 31st of the playing season, who participate on a senior team must have parental consent on the registration form and a complete Junior Waiver Form, which must accompany the registration form. (October 1999)

B2.2.7 Any player under the age of 18 as of December 31st of the playing season must have a signed Junior Waiver Form if picked up or moved up to play in an older category for each event. (October 1999)

B2.2.8 A junior age player who does not have an age class team to play for within their region of choice must sign a junior preferred contract within that region of choice. This player would then be eligible to be picked up by a junior-aged team from another region. This player would also be eligible to be picked up within their own preferred region by a senior team from that region. (May 2002) A player may only play for one (1) region at any F.B.A.O. sanctioned event. (April 2018)

B2.3 Division

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- B2.3.1 Competitive
- a) Elite
 - b) Intermediate
 - c) Young Masters (May 2000)
 - d) Masters (May 1996)
 - e) Co-Ed (September 1998)
- B2.3.2 Recreational
- Recreational leagues may enforce a no body-checking rule. These leagues do not qualify for Regional Championships in the competitive division.
- B2.3.3 Recreational teams are not allowed to participate in F.B.A.O. tournaments or championships. (May 1994)
- B2.3.4 Recreational players or team officials can be picked up given the criteria below:
- B2.3.4.1 The player or team official was not signed on a competitive roster in their designated capacity in the previous year.
- B2.3.4.2 If the player or team official was signed on or picked up to a competitive roster in their designated capacity in the previous year, then they shall only be eligible to be picked up to the same team's roster. A team from the previous season who changes their name or is substantially the same (greater than 50% of the same players) shall be considered the same team as the one from the previous year for the purpose of B2.3.4.
- (May 2022)
- B2.3.5 For Recreation Teams only: Players can be signed up until the end of February to allow recruitment of new players, replace injured players, and in the case of military teams, to replace players due to posting assignments. (October 2009)
Players must not be deleted from a roster in order to make room for these additional players. Roster submissions must still follow the present registration deadlines. (October 2009)
- B2.4 Classification Procedure
- B2.4.1 Not Applicable
- B2.4.1.1 Purpose
- To ensure that Elite/Intermediate registration is truly reflected in terms of team calibre.

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B2.4.1.2 General Requirements

The text that ensures and establishes the means by which teams are to be classified. It is most important for teams and regions to fully substantiate all requests or appeals pertaining to classification.

B2.4.1.3 Definitions:

The following definitions are provided for reference purposes:

- a) Common Type Player – a player linked to another team in addition to their preferred team. Common type players are restricted to participating in league competition only.
- b) Preferred Type Player – a player committed to a specific team of their preference. Participation includes league play, tournaments, and championships.
Note: A player's preferred team takes precedence over the common one.
- c) Divisions – the F.B.A.O. registers teams in two divisions, namely competitive and recreational.
- d) Competitive – the competitive division includes five (5) classifications. They are Elite, Intermediate, Young Masters (May 2000), Masters, and Co-Ed. (October 1998)
- e) Recreational – Players who compete primarily for recreation and well-being.
- f) Elite – Not an open classification. Teams must qualify or be accepted to be designated of elite calibre.
- g) Intermediate – Teams registered in the competitive division having not been designated of elite status.
- h) Masters and Young Masters (May 2000) – Teams signing Masters or Young Masters can only play in this category (Leagues, Regionals, Provincials, and Masters and Young Masters only tournaments). They may sign as many common contracts as they wish. Masters and Young Masters teams can pick up team officials from Non-Masters teams. (October 1998) There will be no body checking in Masters and Young Masters. Masters and Young Masters teams playing in a league must play with the no body-checking rule. (October 1998)

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Additionally:

- i. A Masters player can be picked up by a Masters Team; Young Masters Teams; Intermediate Team; and/or Elite Team.
- ii. A Young Masters Player can be picked up by a Masters Team if the player meets the age requirement; Young Masters Team; Intermediate team; and/or Elite Team.
- iii. A Masters Team can pick up Masters Players; as well as Young Masters Players if the player meets the age requirement; and Intermediate and Co-Ed Players if the player meets the age requirement.
- iv. A Young Masters Team can pick up Masters Players; Young Masters Players; and Intermediate and Co-Ed Players if the player meets the age requirement.

(April 2012)

- i) Co-Ed – teams signing Co-Ed (mixed) can only play in this category (Leagues, Regionals, Provincials, Nationals, and Co-Ed tournaments only). Teams can pick up from within the Co-Ed ranks and from registered preferred junior players. (April 2009) Co-Ed players may, however, be picked up by Intermediate and Elite teams. They may sign as many common contracts as they wish. (October 1998)
- j) Provincial Classification Board – a Provincial Committee is asked annually to review and resolve team classification disputes.
- k) Classification Guidelines – a guideline formulated to provide assistance with respect to team classification.

B2.4.1.4 Procedure

For the purpose of registration, there are two divisions. They are competitive and recreational.

B2.4.1.5 Team Applications – Elite Status

- a) Teams registering the competitive division are automatically considered of intermediate classification.

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- b) Teams wishing to be granted elite status must make application to their respective region by the deadline date noted herein (November 1st of playing season) and fully substantiate the request based on the Classification Guidelines.
- c) Regions will review each application and determine whether or not elite status is to be granted. Careful consideration must be given to the substantiation provided by the applying team.
- d) Subsequent to a review and decision, the region must inform the applying team in writing by the deadline date (November 25th of the playing season) prescribed herein.
- e) Teams are allowed to appeal regional decisions to the Provincial Classification Board.

B2.4.1.6 Regional Classification – Elite Status

- a) Regions are allowed to classify team, however, such decisions must be fully substantiated.
- b) In determining team classification, regions must consult and make use of the Classification guidelines.
- c) Regions must inform re-classified teams in writing by the deadline date (November 25th of playing season) noted herein.
- d) Teams are allowed to appeal regional decisions to the Provincial Classification Board by December 5th of playing season. Teams should obtain and complete an “Application of Appeal” and submit it to the F.B.A.O. Office – In Care of the F.B.A.O. Secretary prior to the above noted deadline.

B2.4.1.7 Provincial Classification – Elite Status

The Gold Medal winners at the Intermediate Provincial Championships in two consecutive years (May 2000) are classified elite for the next year. Championship roster changes of fifty percent or more affect this ruling. Roster changes will be monitored by the Provincial Executive Committee.

B2.4.1.8 Provincial Classification Board

- a) This committee is appointed by the Provincial Executive and meets annually to resolve classification disputes. All classification disputes must be resolved by the deadline date (December 15th of playing season) noted herein.

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- b) Teams/Regions are permitted to attend the Annual Classification Board Meeting.
- c) Provincial Classification Board decisions are final and binding.

B2.4.1.9 Common/Preferred Type Players

- a) There is no limitation on the number of teams with which a player signs common; however, they must first sign preferred.
- b) Teams are allowed to sign a maximum of three (3) common type players. If this number is exceeded, the team forfeits its right to participate in Regional and Provincial Championships.

B2.4.1.10 Guideline for Classification

The following guidelines must be considered for team classification:

- a) Change in team roster
- b) Current team records, including league and tournaments
- c) Previous team record
 - i. League:
Consider:
 - a) calibre of teams with league
 - b) common type players signed with team
 - ii. Tournaments:
Consider:
 - a) calibre of teams in tournament
 - b) pick up players signed for specific tournament
 - iii. Championships
Consider:
 - a) pick up players signed

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B2.4.1.11 Classification Deadline Dates

Listed below are deadline dates applicable for classification:

- a) Team applications for elite status must be received by regions by November 1st of playing season.
- b) Regions must resolve all classification matters by November 25th of playing season.
- c) Deadline dates for letters of appeal for teams with regards to assigned classification level is December 5th of playing season.
- d) Provincial Classification Board must resolve all classification matters by December 15th of playing season.

B2.4.2 Regions to establish own guidelines and submitted to F.B.A.O. Dates as presented to be adhered to. (May 1991) Regional Guidelines for classification is to be in the F.B.A.O. Office – In Care of the F.B.A.O. Secretary by October 15th. (May 1995)

B2.4.3 The Intermediate Gold Medal winner's roster for the Championship in their second winning year will be considered as the team to move to the elite category for the next year. (May 2000) Should this roster split to form teams in the next year, the new team with the majority of the roster would still be considered as the gold medal winner. If split evenly, all of the new teams would be considered as the gold medal winners. In all the above circumstances, the new team must have fifty percent or more of its roster from the gold medal roster. (May 1992)

B2.4.4 For all appeals for classification to the Provincial Executive must be in the F.B.A.O. Office – In Care of the F.B.A.O. Secretary by December 5th; (October 1995) if the 5th lands on a weekend, then the next business day will be accepted. (October 1991)

B2.4.5 If any of the last two-year Gold Medal Intermediate winners at the Provincials want to appeal, they must include a copy of their new roster along with \$100.00 (April 2015) and reason by December 5th. (May 1995)

The results from any appeals will be given by a telephone call followed by a letter.

B2.4.6 After classification is done, if the team adds player(s) from last year's roster, subject to 50% policy in Classification Procedures, team will revert back to last year's category. (May 1995)

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- B2.4.7 If a league wishes to appeal a team's classification they must include the team's last year, and new roster, \$100.00 (April 2015), and reasons. Their appeal would go to the region first, if not satisfied they can appeal to the Provincial Executive. (May 1995)
- B2.4.8 Appeals to the province on classification matters shall only be allowed on the grounds of incorrect procedures, conflict of interest, or with regards to teams classified by the F.B.A.O. because they won a Provincial Championship. (May 1990)
- B2.4.9 A fee of \$100.00 (April 2015) per classification will accompany the appeal for administration costs. (May 1990)
- B2.4.10 During the period between November 25th and the time that an appeal is heard by the Province, the team's classification will remain as per the decision of the region. (October 1989)
- B2.5 Registration Fees
- B2.5.1 The Registration Fees will be established annually. A schedule of the Registration Fees for all classifications, as well as Major and Minor Officials fees will be distributed to the Regions, within one month after the A.G.M.
- B2.5.2 Each region contributes \$400.00 for the junior development tournament whether the region sends teams or not. (May 1989)
- B2.5.3 If a registration form has 6 (six) or less players listed, then the fee is \$25 per player. This applies to junior registration only. (October 2013)
- B2.6 Insurance
- On the deductible of the insurance, the region is responsible for 50%, and the F.B.A.O., the other 50% for any claim against our liability insurance. (May 1997)

ARTICLE B3 – TEAM COMPOSITION

- B3.1 Team Size
- B3.1.1 All teams affiliated with the F.B.A.O. will be allowed to sign a maximum of twenty (20) players, preferred or common, and four (4) team officials.
- B3.1.2 Teams that sign more than three (3) common type players are not eligible to participate in Regional or Provincial Championships (Classification Procedures B2.4.1.9).

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- B3.1.3 Only two players from elite teams per intermediate team may be signed – only common contract only. (October 1998)
- B.3.2 Team Officials: Coaches, Managers, and Trainers
- B3.2.1 For senior teams, individuals may only be signed with one men’s team as a team official within each of the Elite, Intermediate, Young Masters, Masters and Recreation divisions, provided these teams are in different leagues. Similarly, an individual may only be signed with one ladies team in any of the above noted capacities. An individual may also be signed as a team official with a Co-Ed team in addition to the above. (October 1998) (April 2018)
- B3.2.2 For junior teams, individuals may only be signed with one boy’s team as a team official within each of the U20, U16, and U14 divisions. Similarly, an individual may only be signed with one girl’s team in any of the above noted capacities. An individual may also be signed as a team official with a co-ed U12 team in addition to the above. (April 2018)
- B3.2.3 Team officials, including coaches, managers and trainers shall be governed by the rules contained herein.
- B3.2.4 Each team must have a signed team official on the registration form, (May 1990) otherwise the team and its members shall be liable for immediate suspension (May 1996).
- B3.2.5 All teams participating in Junior/Senior Provincial Championships must have a qualified team official registered at the beginning of the event who has completed an N.C.C.P. Level 1 or Part of Module A or Community Coach Initiation (BF2) Theory Coaching Clinic minimum. (April 2015)
- B3.2.6 Each U20 and Elite team competing at the Provincial Championships must have a qualified team official registered at the beginning of the event who has completed the C.B.F. coaching requirements for the Nationals, in the year stipulated:
- Elite Former – C.B.F. Level 2 Certificate (N.C.C.P. Level 1&2 Theory, Technical, and Practical complete) or Broomball to Compete Certified (B.T.C.) minimum. (April 2015)
Current – Broomball to Compete Certified minimum (April 2016)
- U20 Former – C.B.F. Level 2 Certificate (N.C.C.P. Level 1&2 Theory, Technical, and Practical complete) or Broomball to Compete Certified (B.T.C.) minimum. (April 2015)
Current – Broomball to Compete Certified minimum (April 2016)

ARTICLE B4 – SIGNING AND TRANSFERS

B4.1 Types of Players

B4.1.1 Common Type Player

A player linked to another team in addition to their preferred team. Common type players are restricted to participating in league competition only.

B4.1.2 Preferred Type Player

A player committed to a specific team of their preference. Participation includes league play, tournaments, and championships.

B4.1.3 A player's preferred team takes precedence over any pick-up tournament teams and common teams. (May 1992)

B4.2 Signing Eligibility

B4.2.1 A player is eligible to sign preferred with one team and common with as many teams as desired, and to sign as a team official, provided these teams are in different leagues.

B4.2.2 When signing, the individual is responsible for the information provided to be correct, unless it is deemed that the individual was not at fault. (May 1992)

B4.2.3 Any team, league or region wanting to protest the eligibility of a player must do it in writing and send a copy of the letter by registered mail to the player being protested, the applicable President and Regional Convener.

B4.2.4 Any player who is the property of an F.B.A.O. affiliated organization and leaves this organization without being freed during the playing season, is thereby suspended of all activity with any F.B.A.O. organization, and may not play until this region has dealt with their case.

B4.2.5 A new player/team official can sign a preferred and/or recreational contract and as many common contracts as desired. (May 1992)

B4.2.6 Teams will be allowed to sign new players up to and including November 25th. Teams must never sign more than the maximum number of players allowed. (Article B1.3)

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- B4.2.7 Players in the U12, U14, U16, and U20 categories must show proof of age (government issued document) to one of - league official, regional official, or designate – at the time of registration. (November 2022)
- B4.2.8 Players suspended for one (1) year or more do not have to register to serve the suspension. (October 1989)
- B4.2.9 Refer to AA 4.4 for serving of suspensions.
- B4.2.10 A participant in the Senior Provincials and/or Regionals, and Junior Provincials, National Qualifier, and/or representing Ontario at a C.B.F. event (November 2021) must have one of the two of the following qualifications as a prerequisite in playing:
1. The player must be signed and be actively participating in an Ontario Broomball program recognized by the F.B.A.O. and as approved by the respective Regional Executive.
 2. The player must be a permanent resident of the Province of Ontario.
- B4.2.11 For Recreation Teams only: Players can be signed up until the end of February to allow recruitment of new players, replace injured players, and, in the case of military teams, to replace players due to posting assignments. Teams will be limited to a maximum 20 player roster. Players may not be deleted from a roster in order to make room for these additional players. Roster submissions must still follow the present registration deadlines.
- B4.3 Transfers
- B4.3.1 An out of league transfer due to a change of residence may be requested by a player or by their parent or legal guardian if the player is under 18 years of age. (May 2022) A player who wants a transfer must do the following:
- Send a written request to the President or their league by registered mail, send a copy to the Regional Convener, and return any equipment in their possession that belongs to their teams.

Any league or region which receives a request for a transfer must give a written reply to the player and the Regional Convener within seventy-two (72) hours from receipt of the request (Saturdays, Sundays and holidays included.) The absence of an answer will be dealt with as an affirmative answer and the Regional Convener will advise the player of the same.

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The above will be in effect until the 1st of February of playing season. If a league or region refuses a release, the player may make a demand to the next level of appeal to review the case. Until the transfer approval has been approved, the transferee plays with their former team.

ARTICLE B5 – TOURNAMENTS

B5.1 Tournament Participation Eligibility

B5.1.1 Teams are allowed a maximum of (April 2019) five (5) pick-ups per tournament provided that the preferred teams(s) of such player(s) or team official(s) are not registered in the same tournament; however, the Tournament Committee's Tournament Rules take precedence. (April 2013)

B5.1.2 Pick-up selections must be registered as a preferred type player with an F.B.A.O. affiliated team.

B5.1.3 Pick-up selections, as team officials, must be registered as a team official with an F.B.A.O. affiliated team. (May 1992)

B5.1.4 Pick-up player(s) must complete a pick-up contract and submit the pick-up contract to the Tournament Committee. (April 2023)

B5.1.5 The Tournament Committee will determine the criteria for the pick-ups for teams, as approved by the Region.

B5.1.6 A player may sign different pick-up contracts in order play in different tournaments; however, they must conform to tournament rules. (May 1992)

B5.2 Tournament Sanctioning

B5.2.1 All tournaments must be sanctioned by the F.B.A.O.

B5.2.2 The sanction forms and fees in the value of \$100.00 (April 2015) for tournaments and/or events are to be submitted to the F.B.A.O.

B5.2.3 Any tournament held or sponsored by an F.B.A.O. member organization shall be considered an F.B.A.O. tournament.

B5.2.4 Early bird tournaments must be sanctioned by the F.B.A.O.

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- B5.2.5 Tournaments are allowed to create and enforce house rules, which will apply within its tournament regarding game play (April 2019). These will be supported by the F.B.A.O. All such tournament rules and guidelines must be documented and posted along with expense money before and during the tournaments.
- B5.2.6 Any team which defaults a tournament game shall be liable for suspension “in accordance with Disciplinary Procedures and Guidelines.”
- B5.2.7 For any infraction to the F.B.A.O. Rules and Regulations occurring at the tournament, the Chairperson of the tournament will advise the participating team’s Regional President of the infraction and the conditions surrounding the incident. The proper action should then be taken by the region.
- Incidents occurring outside the offending parties’ region will be decided upon by the region the individual(s) is registered in, and not the region where the incident occurs.
- All pertinent information must be relayed to the deciding region as quickly as possible. Copies of game sheets and referee reports must be sent to the Regional President.
(October 1990)
- B5.2.8 Tournament organizer(s) listed on the sanctioning form are responsible for collecting copies of team registration forms and pick-up contracts prior to a team playing their first game. All players participating must have their name on the first game sheet. This is to ensure that all players participating are doing so in a legal manner.
- The tournament organizer(s) must submit the collected copies of team registration, pick-up contracts, the first page of the F.B.A.O. official game sheets used, and any disciplinary forms (Special Incident Reports and Suspension Notices) to the F.B.A.O. Secretary. This information must be received by the F.B.A.O. Secretary no later than two (2) weeks following the event.
(April 2015)
- B5.2.8.1 An “F.B.A.O. Official Game Sheet” shall be either the four (4) page hard copy version, or a digital version approved by the F.B.A.O. (October 2015)
- B5.2.8.2 To facilitate the growth of our junior players and allow them to have increased opportunities to participate, junior tournaments may request a specialized “Junior Tournament” sanctioning format for the U12, U14, and U16 divisions. By using this format, players are registered to tournament teams that are valid for that tournament only. Juvenile teams must continue to abide by standard sanctioned tournament requirements for registration forms, waivers, and pick-up contracts. (April 2019)

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- B5.3 Wild Card Entries for Senior Provincials
- B5.3.1 There will be NO Open Qualifier Tournament; and the Wild Cards will be determined by the previous Provincial Winners. If the winning Regions cannot supply an additional team, then the second place Region will supply the team. If the second place cannot fulfill the spot, we will continue down the finishing order until teams are determined. (May 2004)
- B5.3.2 Wild Card entries apply to all divisions. (October 2004)
- B5.3.3 The Region must confirm their “Wild Card” entries in the Senior Provincials by December 15th to the F.B.A.O. (October 2004)
- B5.3.4 If the “Wild Card” is not accepted, then the 2nd place Regional team (will continue down the finishing order until teams are determined) from the previous Provincials will be contacted by the F.B.A.O. for acceptance. (October 2004) These teams will have seven days to accept or decline the Wild Card. (April 2013)
- B5.3.5 The Entry Fee and Bond for the Wild Card entries is to be posted by the respective regions to the F.B.A.O. by December 15th. (April 2023)
- B5.4 Host Teams for Senior Provincials
- B5.4.1 Any team designated as Host team for the Senior Provincials must be registered as a team from the Host region. The Host Team must compete in their Regionals, as long as there are at least two teams competing in their division at the Regionals. (April 2013)
- B5.4.2 Host Team entries for Senior Provincials apply to all divisions. (April 2013)
- B5.4.3 The Host Region must confirm their Host team entries in the Senior Provincials to the F.B.A.O. by December 15th. (April 2013)
- B5.4.4 The Entry Fee and Bond for Host Team entries must be posted by the respective regions to the F.B.A.O. by December 15th. (April 2023)
- B5.4.5 If there is not a Host Team available for a division from the Host Region, then a Host Team from another Region may be declared by the Host Region as long as ALL of the following conditions are met:

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- a) The declaration is made by the stipulated date as noted above;
- b) Entry Fee is paid and the Bond is posted by the respective regions by the stipulated date; and
- c) The Host Committee may require a Host Selection Fee to be paid to the Host of the Senior Provincials. (April 2023)

ARTICLE B6 – LEAGUES

B6.1 Definition of a League

- B6.1.1 Any league that wishes to be recognized as a league must be comprised of at least three (3) teams. Exceptions to this must be approved by the F.B.A.O.
- B6.1.2 If a single team/league wishes to register directly with the province, they must submit a letter with the reasons why they are unable to join the region to which they belong. The region will then be asked to submit their reasons why this team should not be able to directly register with the Province. (October 1992)
- B6.1.3 Leagues are allowed to create and enforce house rules, which will apply within its league regarding game play (April 2019). These will be supported by the F.B.A.O. All such league rules must be documented and maintained by the league.
- B6.1.4 An “F.B.A.O. Official Game Sheet” shall be either the four (4) page hard copy version, or a digital version approved by the F.B.A.O. (October 2015)

B6.2 League Schedule

- B6.2.1 Leagues must send to the F.B.A.O. Secretary, the Regional Convener and Regional Officials’ Committee Chairperson, a copy of their regular schedule before the first regular game.
- B6.2.2 A team must operate in a league and fulfill its league commitments in order to be eligible for the Provincial Championships. When the league Executive rules that a member team has not fulfilled its league commitments, the League Executive, prior to the Regional Championships, must advise both the team concerned and the Regional Championship Chairperson that the commitments have not been fulfilled and details must be given. The team concerned may appeal to the region.
- B6.2.3 A league schedule should consist of a minimum of twelve (12) regular scheduled games per team. All exceptions must be approved by the Region.

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- B6.2.4 A team wishing to change leagues for the coming season must notify their League President (by registered letter) one month before the regular season opening game. If this is not done, the team must play that season in the same league, unless otherwise approved by the Regional Convener.
- B6.2.5 A league expelling a team must notify (by registered letter) the said team of their intention at least one month before the regular season. If this is not done, the league must accept that team for the coming season, unless otherwise approved by the Regional Convener.
- B6.2.6 At the end of the regular season, including the play-offs, the league officials must send a written report to their Regional office, containing the following:
- a) The final standings of their league
 - b) The Championship results
 - c) The name and address of the newly elected executive for the next season.
- B6.2.7 The Regional Convener must forward a copy of B6.2.6. to the F.B.A.O.
- B6.2.8 Any changes in the League Executive Officers to be reported to the F.B.A.O. Secretary.

ARTICLE B7 – CHAMPIONSHIPS

- B7.1 F.B.A.O. Championships Participation
- B7.1.1 When a team is participating in championship games, the team official must have in their possession the F.B.A.O. team registration forms.
- B7.1.2 Any team that defaults a championship game shall be liable for suspension in accordance with the Disciplinary Procedures and Guidelines.
- B7.1.3 Any team that plays an ineligible player is liable for suspension in accordance with the Disciplinary Procedures and Guidelines.
- B7.1.4 Recreational teams are not allowed to participate in F.B.A.O. Championships. (May 1994)
- B7.1.5 All F.B.A.O. games in all categories should have two (2) certified referees on ice at all times. (April 2018)
- B7.1.5.1 All F.B.A.O. games must have a registered minor official in the timekeeper's box who has attended a clinic in the playing season. (May 1993)

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B7.1.5.2 An "F.B.A.O. Official Game Sheet" shall be either the four (4) page hard copy version, or a digital version approved by the F.B.A.O. (October 2015)

B7.1.6 Refer to AA4.4 for serving of suspension.

B7.1.7 All U20 Boys and U20 Girls teams must post a \$750 Performance Bond for the playing season in order to compete at the U20 National Qualifier and/or the Junior Broomball Provincials. The Performance Bond must be paid to the F.B.A.O. by the deadline for the submission of the entry form and monies for the U20 National Qualifier.

Those teams that don't enter the U20 National Qualifier and/or lose their Bond at the Qualifier that season, but wish to compete at the Junior Broomball Provincials must still post the \$750 Performance Bond by December 15th of the playing season. The teams will not have to post the separate Junior Provincials Performance Bond.

The Performance Bond will be retained by the F.B.A.O. for the entire season, and will be refunded prior to the beginning of the next playing season, if the team and its individuals have complied with the F.B.A.O. Appendices D and/or G.

The Performance Bond will however be forfeited if the team and/or its individuals have contravened the F.B.A.O. Appendices D and/or G; and in addition the team and/or its individuals will be placed under immediate sanction, and suspended from further participation in the F.B.A.O. for a duration of time to be determined by the F.B.A.O.

(April 2014)

B7.1.8 In order to register for Regional and Provincial tournaments, players must have a government-issued picture identification that includes their full name and birthday; otherwise, they require two (2) pieces of identification with their name/signatures; and/or name and photo to prove their identity. (May 2022)

B7.1.9 In order to assist the on-ice Major Officials with determining if a goal was scored or not, the F.B.A.O. will utilize inner drapes in all nets. (April 2019)

This would be utilized at Junior Provincials and the U20 National Qualifier where the games are played either at the Innisfil Recreation Complex, Stroud Arena, and/or Lefroy Arena. There are three (3) sets of goal nets that are used for these events; and all three (3) sets could be padded in advance of the events.

(April 2016)

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B7.2 Junior Provincial Championship Games

B7.2.1 In the U12 category at the Junior Provincials, a one minute and thirty second buzzer will be used to stop play (April 2013) and a complete line change must take place. This will mean that a roster will have a minimum of four girls on it. (October 1992) If a team has only two (2) or three (3) girls, then they may play short-handed; however, they must have a minimum of one girl per shift. (April 2015) The Wrap-Around Format will be utilized for the U12 Division; and seeding of teams will be implemented into the Provincial draw. The Consolation Champion's team will receive Consolation Champions Medals. (April 2016)

B7.2.1.1 Affiliated Players

Due to a limited number of registered players in the U14, U16, and U20 Divisions; all regions (April 2016) will be allowed the use of a maximum of five (5) Affiliated Players (A.P.) to compete with each of their U14, U16, and U20 teams at the Junior Provincials. An A.P. must be a registered player with a team in the next lower classification only. The maximum team roster for these teams, including any Affiliated Players cannot exceed sixteen (16) players. These Affiliated Players will also be allowed to participate with their Preferred Team. (April 2008)

The A.P. players can be registered with their A.P. team with a designation of "AP" in the Preferred/Common column; and/or can be added to the Provincial Team Roster as an A.P. Each A.P. player must have a completed Junior Waiver Form provided for the Junior Provincials. (April 2008)

Any Junior Provincial roster with Affiliated Players (A.P.) designated on it, must be approved by the regional representatives before being sent to the province. (April 2018) Regional representatives will then submit these rosters to the Province a minimum of three (3) weeks before the start of the Junior Provincial Championships. (October 2019)

B7.2.1.2 Local Regional Program Roster Pooling (U12 and U14 Only)

For the purpose of determining their team rosters for Junior Provincials, a local regional program (a.k.a. regional community junior program/league) may pool all the players from equivalent age groups in their program from which to assemble their Junior Provincial team roster entries. These team entries and rosters must be submitted as per the deadlines noted in these By-Laws.

Should players from their respective regional pools not be selected to the Junior Provincials competing teams in their local regional program, but who still interested and available to participate, then these players shall be eligible to participate as pick-ups for a different local program in their region who require additional players within the

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permitted pick-up rules. Should there still be players interested and available, but with no regional team to participate with, these players would be eligible to participate as pick-ups for a different local program in another region(s) who requires additional players within the permitted pick-up rules.

A team or local regional program who does not first allow any and all players from their team, local regional program, and/or another local regional program to participate on the Junior Provincials team is not permitted to pick up any players from other local programs in another region until all such eligible players are first selected.

Teams who would like to pick up an “Out of Local Regional Program” player or “Out of Region Local Regional Program” player, they must make a request to their region. Players who would like to participate but do not have a team to compete on will first be made available to other teams in their region, then to out of region teams. Any players not first selected within their region will then be made available to other regions.

The selection process for “Out of Local Regional Program” and “Out of Region Local Regional Program” players will through a tiered lottery system as follows:

- When a request comes from a team, the first tier of individuals entered into the draw will be players registered within their local regional program.
- If there are no candidates that match this criteria or if more players are required, it would then proceed to eligible players in another local program within the same region.
- If there are no candidates that match this criteria or if more players are required, it would then proceed to eligible players in any other local program within any remaining regions.
- The lottery draw(s) will be conducted by either the F.B.A.O. President, or one of the two F.B.A.O. Vice-Presidents using the “pull from the hat” method.

(NEW – November 2023)

B7.2.2 All teams participating at the Junior Provincial Championships must have a qualified team official who has completed an N.C.C.P. Level 1 or Part of Module A or Community Coach Initiation (BF2) Theory Coaching Clinic minimum. (May 1995) (April 2015) If a team does not have a signed qualified team official for a game, a \$100.00 (April 2015) fine will be levied. (October 1998)

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Each U20 team must have a team official who has completed the following N.C.C.P. coaching clinic by the year stipulated:

Former – C.B.F. Level 2 Certificate (N.C.C.P. Level 1&2 Theory, Technical, and Practical complete) or Broomball to Compete Certified (B.T.C.) minimum. (April 2015)

Current – Broomball to Compete Certified minimum (April 2016)

This person must be registered with the team at the beginning of the event and must be participating with the team throughout the event. (October 1998) Teams are allowed to pick up a certified team official for the provincials. This person being picked up must already be signed as a team official within the team's region. (May 2022) The person fulfilling this role of certified team official may not also be a player on the team. (May 2022) The person participating in the event who holds the N.C.C.P. certification must provide proof of this certification prior to the event and must be prepared to show this documentation upon registration at the beginning of the event. If a team does not have a signed qualified team official for a game, a \$100.00 (April 2015) fine will be levied. (October 1998)

Anyone who has an N.C.C.P., signing as a team official must put their N.C.C.P. number beside their registration form signature. (October 1995)

B7.2.3 *Refer to B2.2 for Junior information*

B7.2.4 At the Junior Provincials, each team may provide a registered F.B.A.O. member to attend to the penalty box to ensure the door is properly closed when a penalized player leaves. This registered F.B.A.O. member is subject to all rules of the game.

B7.2.4.1 Teams are allowed five (5) pick-ups for Junior Provincials. These players and/or team officials must sign, prior to the championships, a pick-up contract with such team, which will be valid for this particular championship only. The players must be signed preferred in the team's affiliated region. Team officials must also be from the team's affiliated region. (April 2019)

B7.2.4.2 All U14, U16, and U20 Divisions with at least four (4) teams will utilize the double knock-out format of play for the Junior Provincials. (April 2016)

B7.2.4.3 Any Division with only three (3) teams will utilize the Round-Robin format of play for the Junior Provincials. There will then be a semi-final game between the 2nd and 3rd ranked teams; with that winner playing the 1st ranked team in a single Final Championship Game. (April 2016)

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B7.2.4.4 In the case of “if necessary games” at Junior Provincials, games will be played in the order that the games causing the “if necessary” were completed on the first available ice surface. (April 2019)

B7.2.5 U20 National Qualifier Tournament

In order to allow the U20 teams who qualify for the National Championships sufficient opportunity to prepare and fundraise, a National Qualifier Tournament will be held each year at an appropriate tournament location. The respective winning girl’s and boy’s teams would qualify for the National Championships the following spring. All teams must be committed, complete with the appropriate entry fee submitted by the entry deadline. (May 2000) All participating teams must have qualified team official(s) present as per National Coaching criteria. (May 1999)

At the U20 National Qualifier Tournament for the Nationals, any teams pre-qualified for the National Championships (i.e. Host, Defending Champs) must either participate in the qualifier or, if they so choose not to participate, then all registered players on these teams will be declared ineligible for participation on any other team. (May 1999)

Teams pre-qualified for U20 Nationals (i.e. Defending National Champs, Qualifier Champs, Host) must participate in Junior Provincials. (October 1999)

The Host Committee for the National U20 Championship must submit the names of the Host Teams for the National U20 Championship to the F.B.A.O. President and 2nd Vice President - Technical no later than noon on the Sunday prior to the U20 National Qualifier. Failure to comply may result in the F.B.A.O. appointing the Host Teams. (May 2006)

B7.2.5.1 Teams are allowed five (5) pick-ups for the Juvenile National Qualifier. These players and/or team officials must sign, prior to the championships, a pick-up contract with such team, which will be valid for this particular championship only. The players must be signed preferred in the team’s affiliated region. Team officials must also be from the team’s affiliated region. (April 2019)

B7.2.5.2 All teams participating at the U20 National Qualifier Tournament must have a qualified team official. If a team does not have a signed qualified team official for a game, a \$100.00 (April 2015) fine will be levied. (October 1998)

Each U20 team must have a team official who has completed the following N.C.C.P. coaching clinic by the year stipulated:

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Current – Broomball to Compete Certified minimum (April 2016)

This person must be registered with the team at the beginning of the event and must be participating with the team throughout the event. (October 1998) Teams are allowed to pick up a certified team official for the tournament. This person being picked up must already be signed as a team official within the team's region. (May 2022) The person fulfilling this role of certified team official may not also be a player on the team. (May 2022) The person participating in the event who holds the N.C.C.P. certification must provide proof of this certification prior to the event and must be prepared to show this documentation upon registration at the beginning of the event. If a team does not have a signed qualified team official for a game, a \$100.00 (April 2015) fine will be levied. (October 1998)

Anyone who has an N.C.C.P., signing as a team official must put their N.C.C.P. number beside their registration form signature. (October 1995)

(April 2015)

B7.2.5.3 In the case of "if necessary games" at the U20 Qualifier, games will be played in the order that the games causing the "if necessary" were completed on the first available ice surface.

If a team chooses not to play, they will default the game, which will be considered a loss with respect to future seeding.

(April 2019)

B7.3 Senior Regional Championship Games

B7.3.1 For the purpose of the Senior Regional Championships, the F.B.A.O. will recognize one male and one female champion in the Intermediate, Elite, Young Masters (May 2000) and Masters classifications, and one Co-Ed champion per league. (October 1998) The Region, at their discretion, may accept additional League Team entries and Independent Teams. (April 2013)

B7.3.2 The Regional Championship should be held approximately ten (10) to fifteen (15) days prior to the F.B.A.O. Provincial Championship. (April 2013)

B7.3.3 Teams are allowed a maximum of three (3) pick-ups for Regional Championships. These player(s) and/or team official(s) must sign, prior to the championships, a pick-up contract with such team which will be valid for this particular championship only. The

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player(s) must be signed preferred in the team's affiliated league. Team official(s) must be from the team's affiliated league. Junior Players within the region can also be picked up, by any team in the region, other than Masters Teams. (April 2013)

B7.3.4 Teams involved in the Championships may pick up players of the same calibre or lower provided they are not participating at the lower calibre Championships, except as defined in B2.4.1.3 h) and i). (April 2003)

i.e. Elite – Intermediate – Young Masters - Masters – Co-Ed – U20 – U16 – U14 – U12

B7.3.5 Team lists and pick-up contracts must be in the hands of team officials, and pick-up players must be registered with the Regional Championship Chairperson prior to their first game.

B7.3.6 Pick-up players must complete a pick-up contract and submit the pick-up contract to the Tournament Committee. (April 2023)

B7.3.7 Teams must compete in their respective Regional Championships to have an opportunity to advance to the Senior Provincials; unless:

- a) There is not a minimum of two teams in their Division at the Regionals, or
- b) As stated elsewhere regarding Wild Card Teams and Host Teams

The sole team in a division will be allowed to advance directly to the Senior Provincials.

Registered players on that sole team in a division, will however be declared to be ineligible as pick-ups with any other team at the Regional Championships. (April 2013)

B7.3.8 Regional Championships must be held when there are at least two teams in a division as per B7.3.7 and B7.4.4.

If a Region fails to comply by not holding their Regional Championships, then the said Region will be assessed a fine payable to the F.B.A.O., prior to their Regional teams being permitted to compete at the Senior Provincials. The Total Fine will be based on a rate of \$300.00 for each of their Regional teams where there are two teams in a division, and they are advancing to the Senior Provincials.

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- B7.4 Senior Provincial Championship Games
- B7.4.1 For the purpose of the Senior Provincial Championships, the F.B.A.O. will recognize two Regional Representatives in each division of the provincials (Male, Female and Co-Ed). (October 1998)
- B7.4.2 The format presented for team participation in the Senior Provincial Championships is as follows:
- One host team, two (2) regional representatives, from regions in good standing, and one (1) wildcard. A maximum of ten (10) teams per division will be the limit. (May 1993) Should the number of active regions change, the maximum number of teams per division will be reconsidered by the F.B.A.O. (May 2022)
- B7.4.3 At the Senior Provincials, all divisions will utilize the double knock-out format of play. (April 2016)
- B7.4.4 All teams participating in the Provincial Championship must also compete in their respective Regional Championships if so held. If their Regional Championship does not have a minimum of two teams in their division, they will be allowed to participate in the Provincials. (May 1996)
- B7.4.5 Wildcard teams with the opportunity to advance to the Provincial Championship must declare their intention to participate in the Provincial Championships by a pre-determined deadline date. Refer to B5.3.3. (April 2013)
- B7.4.6 The Provincial Championship should be held two (2) weeks prior to the National Championships.
- B7.4.7 Teams are allowed a maximum of five (5) pick-ups for the Senior Provincial Championships. These player(s) and/or team official(s) must sign, prior to the championship, a pick-up contract with such team which will be valid for this particular championship only. The player(s) must be signed preferred in the team's affiliated region. The team official(s) must be from the team's affiliated region.
- B7.4.8 Teams involved in Championships may pick up players of the same calibre or lower provided they are not participating at the lower calibre Championships, on the same weekend ; except as defined in B2.4.1.3 h) and i).
- i.e. Elite – Intermediate – Young Masters – Masters – Co-Ed – U20 – U16 – U14 – U12

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- B7.4.9 Team lists and pick-up contracts must be in the hands of team officials and pick-up players and/or team officials must be registered with the Senior Provincial Chairperson prior to their first game.
- B7.4.10 Pick-up players must complete a pick-up contract and submit the pick-up contract to the Tournament Committee. (April 2023)
- B7.4.11 In the Provincial draw, the Gold and Silver medal teams from the same region shall not play each other in the first round. If they are chosen from the hat, they will be chosen again. (May 2011)
- For the Senior Provincials draw, the Gold Medal team from each region will be the only teams considered in the case of byes in a draw, and will not be considered for additional games in the case of 5, 9 or 10 in a division, as herein indicated:
- 3 teams – draw for bye, to include Regions’ Gold Medalist
 - 5 teams – draw for game 1, to exclude Regions’ Gold Medalist
 - 6 teams – draw for 2 byes, to include only Regions’ Gold Medalist
 - 7 teams – draw for bye, to include only Regions’ Gold Medalist
 - 9 teams – draw for game 1, to exclude Regions’ Gold Medalist
 - 10 teams – draw for game 1 and 2, to exclude Regions’ Gold Medalist
- For all draws, Regional Gold Medalists shall not play each other in their initial game, unless the number of teams dictates this. (April 2013 and April 2014)
- In divisions with 7 to 10 teams, the Regions that were the previous year’s Gold and Silver Medalists at the Senior Provincials will have this year’s Regional Gold medalists compete in the opposite portion of the draw. If the previous year’s Gold and Silver medalists at the Senior Provincials are from the same Region, then that Region will have this year’s Regional Gold and Silver medalists compete in the opposite portion of the draw. (April 2015)
- B7.4.12 In the case of “if necessary games” at Senior Provincials, games will be played in the order that the games causing the “if necessary” were completed on the first available ice surface. (April 2019)
- B7.4.13 Not Applicable (April 2015)
- B7.4.14 All teams participating at the Senior Provincial Championships must have a qualified team official who has attended and completed an N.C.C.P. Level 1 or Part of Module A or Community Coach Initiation (BF2) Theory Coaching Clinic minimum. (May 1995) (April 2015) If a team does not have a signed qualified team official for a game, a \$100.00 (April 2015) fine will be levied. (October 1998)

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Each Elite team must have a team official who has completed the following N.C.C.P. coaching clinic by the year stipulated:

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Current – Broomball to Compete Certified minimum (April 2016)

This person must be registered with the team at the beginning of the event and must participate with the team throughout the event. (October 1998) Teams are allowed to pick up certified team official(s) for the provincials. This person being picked up must already be signed as a team official with the team's region. The person fulfilling the role of certified team official may also be a player, except for Elite teams where the individual must decide whether they are participating as a player or as the certified team official for the event. The person participating in the event who holds the N.C.C.P. certification must provide proof of this certification prior to the event and must be prepared to show this documentation upon registration at the beginning of the event. If a team does not have a signed qualified team official for a game, a \$100.00 fine will be levied. (May 2022)

Anyone who has N.C.C.P. certification signing as a team official put their N.C.C.P. number beside their registration form signature. (October 1995)

Teams failing to comply with these stated criteria will not be permitted to participate in the event. (May 1996)

B7.4.15 We allow the Military to continue as usual within our Association with the following exception:

The Military will provide by the appointed date a list of Military players participating in their Military Regionals, those players will be eligible for our Provincials but will not be eligible to go on to the Nationals through our Association as players, pick-up or team officials. (May 1999)

B7.4.16 Complaints and/or inquiries from teams at the Championship are to be delegated through their Regional representatives to the F.B.A.O. executive and/or host committee. (October 2001)

B7.4.17 All regions shall notify, in writing, the F.B.A.O. of any players ineligible to participate in the Championships due to suspension, including the number of games left in suspensions, prior to the commencement of the Championships. (October 2001)

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B7.5 Junior, Senior, and Mixed National Championship Games

B7.5.1 Teams or teams getting a bye to the Junior, Senior and Mixed (October 2000) National Championships must be registered with the province that they are representing to be eligible for the Nationals, including all defending champions. (May 1994)

B7.5.2 The team who won the Elite Men, Elite Ladies, and Co-Ed division at the previous year's Provincial Championships will be the province's representative at the Senior and Mixed Nationals. (April 2015)

B7.5.2.1 The silver medalist in the Elite and Co-Ed divisions from the previous Senior Provincial Championship (April 2013) shall be the first option to go to the Nationals, should there be a need for a second team from the province. Second will be the bronze medalists and so forth. (October 1993)

B7.5.2.2 The silver medalist of the most recent U20 National Qualifier to be the first option to go to Junior Nationals, should there be a need for a second team from the province. Second in line for the extra team, will be the bronze medalist and so forth. (April 2013)

B7.5.3 Teams are allowed nine (9) pick-ups for the Junior, Senior, and Mixed (October 2000) National Championships. These players and team officials must sign prior to the Championship.

The current C.B.F. criteria for National pick-ups are noted below and may be revised by the C.B.F. Confirming criteria with the C.B.F. is encouraged.

- General Criteria:
 - Each province/territory must comply with the criteria set out by the Canadian Broomball Federation.
 - For Senior and Mixed Nationals:
 - Players cannot participate in two categories in the same National Championships in the same playing season.
 - Individuals must be at least 16 years of age to participate.
- Mixed Criteria:
 - Players who are registered as Elite within their own province/territory are considered to be of Elite status. Teams are eligible to carry a maximum of three (3) elite men (there is no maximum on the number of elite ladies).
 - Juvenile players are permitted to play in the Mixed division as long as they are not participating at the Juvenile Nationals in the current year.
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B7.5.4 (not applicable)

B7.5.5 Each U20, Elite, and Mixed (October 2000) team must have a qualified team official registered at the beginning of the Nationals who has completed the C.B.F. coaching requirements.

Elite Former – C.B.F. Level 2 Certificate (N.C.C.P. Level 1&2 Theory, Technical, and Practical complete) or Broomball to Compete Certified (B.T.C.) minimum. (April 2015)
Current – Broomball to Compete Certified minimum (April 2016)

U20 Former – C.B.F. Level 2 Certificate (N.C.C.P. Level 1&2 Theory, Technical, and Practical complete) or Broomball to Compete Certified (B.T.C.) minimum. (April 2015)
Current – Broomball to Compete Certified minimum (April 2016)

Mixed 2001 – C.B.F. Level 1 complete (October 2000)
Current – N.C.C.P. Level 1 or Part of Module A or Community Coach Initiation (BF2) Theory Coaching Clinic minimum. (April 2015)

B7.5.6 The Host Committee for the National Senior Championship must submit the names of the Host teams for the National Senior Championship to the F.B.A.O. President and 2nd Vice President - Technical no later than noon on the Sunday prior to December 1st. Failure to comply may result in the F.B.A.O. appointing the Host Teams. (May 2011)

B7.5.7 When an Out of Province Request for player(s) to attend Senior Nationals is received, the Executive will reach out to the Board of Directors to find the pool of player(s) eligible and willing to participate.

These player(s) will be chosen through a tiered lottery system. When a request comes from an Elite Men's or Elite Ladies' team, the first tier of individuals entered into the draw will be player(s) registered as Elite. If there are no candidates in this division or if more player(s) are required, it would then proceed to any other eligible player(s). When a request comes from a Mixed team, the first tier of individuals entered into the draw will be player(s) registered as Co-Ed. If there are no candidates in this division or if more player(s) are required, it would then proceed to any other eligible player(s).

The lottery draw(s) will be conducted by either the F.B.A.O. President, or one of the two F.B.A.O. Vice-Presidents using the "pull from the hat" method.

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B7.5.8 The Host Committee for the National Senior Championships are responsible for booking and paying for the C.B.F. (Broomball Canada) meeting rooms that are needed prior to the tournament.

The F.B.A.O. will continue to be responsible for booking and paying for the Hall of Fame event.

(April 2016)

B7.6 Championship Sanctioning

B7.6.1 All Regional Championships must be sanctioned by the F.B.A.O.

B7.6.2 The Regional Championship sanction fee will be reviewed annually. (October 1995)

B7.6.3 All regions are to notify, in writing, the F.B.A.O. office by December 15th of the current playing season of their commitment to that year's Provincial Championships. Failure to comply will result in a fine of \$200.00 being paid to the F.B.A.O. If the commitment is not made and the \$200.00 fine is still not paid by December 30th of the current playing season; then the fine increases by \$25.00 per week, until the commitment is made and the complete fine is paid. Failure of the Region to comply by January 30th will result in no Regional entries being allowed at either Provincials.

B7.6.4 Regions unable to adhere to the registration deadline must pay a fine of \$200.00 to the F.B.A.O. Meeting deadlines means the registration package (team and player registrations and monies due for those registrations) must be in the F.B.A.O. office on or by the specified deadline. If the registration package is not submitted and the \$200.00 fine is not paid by December 30th of the current playing season; then the fine will increase by \$25.00 per week, until the registration package is submitted and the complete fine is paid. Failure of the region to comply by January 30th will result in no Regional entries being allowed at either Provincials.

B7.6.5 Each region will post a bond to the F.B.A.O. for each team from their region competing at the Provincial Championships that may be forfeited to the F.B.A.O. as a result of inappropriate actions by the team and/or its player(s)/officials. Those teams and/or its player(s)/officials that cause damage to event facilities and/or accommodations for the event may incur one or more of the following penalties:

- a) Forfeit their Bond, and be responsible to collectively pay all damages and/or loss of revenue due to their actions;
- b) Pay an additional \$500 Team Fine or \$100 Fine per team member whom caused damages and/or loss of revenue (to a maximum of \$500 per team);

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- c) Suspensions may be issued to those responsible, such that the suspensions continue into the next playing season.

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B7.6.6 Leagues and/or teams unable to adhere to the registration deadline must pay a fine of \$100.00 to their Region. Meeting deadlines means the registration package (team and player registrations and monies due for those registrations) must be in the Region office on or by the specified deadline. If the registration package is not submitted, and the \$100.00 fine is still not paid by December 15th of the current playing season; then the fine will increase by \$25.00 per week, until the registration package is submitted and the complete fine is paid. Failure of the leagues and/or teams to comply by January 15th will result in them not being allowed to compete at the Provincials. (April 2015)

B7.7 Championship Fees

B7.7.1 Entry fees and bond amounts for the Senior and Junior Provincials will be reviewed annually.

B7.7.2 All bond monies for the Junior Provincials must be posted by the respective regions to the F.B.A.O. by December 15th. (April 2023)

B7.7.3 All entry fees and bond monies for Senior Provincials must be posted by the respective regions December 15th. (April 2023)

B7.7.4 Bond monies for the Senior Provincial teams will be payable to the F.B.A.O. (April 2013)

B7.7.5 All entry fees and team rosters for Junior Provincials must be submitted by the January 10th deadline. (April 2013)

B7.7.6 Each wildcard team for the Senior Provincials must pay their entry fee and bond to the province as stipulated in the F.B.A.O. endorsed tournament requirements. The entry fee for wildcard teams will be cashed upon receipt. (April 2018)

B7.7.7 Senior, U20, and Mixed Nationals entry fee to be in on December 1st and cashed. (October 2005)

B7.7.8 Bond cheques for Senior, U20, and Mixed Nationals to be in by December 1st, and will be cashed, and will be returned if there are no problems, as soon as possible. All bonds for National Championships for U20, Elite, and Mixed divisions will be \$1 000. (April 2012)

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ARTICLE B8 – C.B.F. RULEBOOK

B8.1 Preamble

B8.1.1 The 1998 C.B.F. Rulebook was adopted by the F.B.A.O. Board of Directors at the May 1998 A.G.M.

B8.1.2 The C.B.F. Rulebook contains specific rules that are applicable to the C.B.F. National Championships, and not necessarily for play within each province.

B8.1.3 When the C.B.F. Rulebook is updated, this Article B8 may require updating as well. The current C.B.F. Rulebook is 2021-2023, or as updated by the C.B.F. (May 2022)

B8.2 Definitions

B8.2.1 The C.B.F. Rulebook utilizes certain words, which are in reference to C.B.F. activities and requires clarification.

B8.2.2 “Federation” has been referenced and shall be interpreted to be the F.B.A.O.

B8.2.3 “Corporation employee” and/or “employees of the Corporation” has been referenced and shall be interpreted to be the “Executive and/or Board of Directors of the F.B.A.O.” (April 2013)

B8.3 Modifications to Rules

B8.3.1 Article 26 (b) shall be applicable for the C.B.F. National Championships only.

B8.3.2 Article 43 (a) shall be applicable for the C.B.F. National Championships only. F.B.A.O. play shall consist of two 15 minute (stop time) periods for U20 National Qualifier and Senior Provincials, and two 12 minute (stop time) periods for Junior Provincials. (April 2008) Each Region shall determine the duration of games at their Regional Championships; and Leagues will also determine the duration of games within their league. (April 2013)

B8.3.3 Article 43 (b) shall not be applicable for U12, U14 and U16 at the Junior Provincials. (April 2003) Regions and leagues shall determine if this Article is applicable under their jurisdiction. (April 2013)

B8.3.4 Article 45 (b) shall be applicable for the C.B.F. National Championships. (April 2013) At all F.B.A.O. events, teams will have an 11 player minimum signed in for the first game. With extenuating circumstances arising, where an 11 player roster cannot be achieved,

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the F.B.A.O. executive can rule in favour of allowing said team to participate with less players. Those teams allowed to play with less than 11 players will pay a \$100 fine for the event. (April 2017)

B8.3.5 In Article 50 (protest), the deposit of \$100.00 will be paid to the applicable league, region or F.B.A.O. depending on which organization is directly in control of the game in which the protest is being made.

B8.3.6 Article 34 (b) shall be applicable for the C.B.F. National Championships only.

B8.3.7 Article 49 will be applicable for the C.B.F. National Championships only. (April 2008)

B8.3.8 For Article 28(d): All registered junior-aged players must wear full facial masks at all Junior and Senior Events within the Province of Ontario, including Regionals, league play, and tournaments. (April 2006) (April 2008) (April 2013)

B8.3.9 For all F.B.A.O. sanctioned events where a round-robin format is utilized; APPENDIX C of the C.B.F. rulebook will be modified.

Whereby:

All procedures up to and including Procedure 4 will be followed; however Procedure 5 and 6 will be replaced with:

- Procedure 5
If equality remains after applying Procedure 4, then a coin toss will be carried out with the tied teams by the F.B.A.O., in order to break this equality.

B8.4 F.B.A.O. Specific Rules (April 2008)

B8.4.1 Game Sheet Verification Rule

B8.4.1.1 Game Sheet Verification

Prior to the start of the game, the Team Officials from both teams must verify that the players and Team Officials listed on the Game Sheet are registered members of their team including pick-ups; and these players are listed on their submitted Roster for the event. The Team Officials must also verify that the players' sweater numbers are correct, along with any indications of C, A, and G. The Team Official's verification is made when they sign the Game Sheet.

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B8.4.1.2 Adding Player(s)' Names to Game Sheet Once Game Starts

Players that are listed on the submitted Team Roster may be added to the Game Sheet during the game, as long as it is prior to them playing in the game.

B8.4.1.3 Penalties for Names Not on Game Sheet

B8.4.1.3.1 When it is discovered that a Team Player's name is missing from the score sheet or number is incorrect, upon stoppage of play, the Minor Official will notify the Major Officials of the score sheet discrepancy. A Minor Team Penalty will be assessed to the player. Both Team Officials will at that time have the opportunity to once again verify that there are no other player(s) missing from the Game Sheet, and that all sweater numbers are correct.

B8.4.1.3.2 All goals that have been scored by or assisted by a player whom is not on the Game Sheet will be disallowed, and the offending team will be assessed a Minor Team Penalty for each disallowed goal. The Minor Official should be diligent in checking to see that when recording a goal or an assist that the player's number is indeed on the score sheet.

B8.4.1.3.3 Goals that have been scored by or assisted by a player, whose correct name but wrong sweater number has been indicated on the Game Sheet, will result in the goal being allowed. The offending team will however by assessed a Minor Team Penalty for the incorrect sweater number.

B8.4.2 For the F.B.A.O. Senior Provincial Championships, the following overtime ruling shall be utilized instead of Article 49 of the C.B.F. Rulebook:

- 1) For the Elite and Co-Ed divisions (April 2019), the following overtime procedure will be utilized. The new sudden death C.B.F. overtime will be in effect, however, with a maximum of one fifteen (15) minute stop time period, playing with a goalie and three (3) other players. If no goals are scored after the fifteen (15) minute sudden death period; then overtime with fifteen (15) minute stop time periods will revert to sudden death with four (4) on four (4) and no goalie as per the 2005-2007 C.B.F. Rulebook.
- 2) For all other divisions, except Elite and Co-Ed divisions (April 2019), the following overtime procedure will be utilized. The new sudden death C.B.F. overtime will be in effect, however, with a five (5) minute stop time period, playing with a goalie and three (3) other players. If no goals are scored after the five (5) minute sudden death period; then overtime with fifteen (15) minute stop time periods will revert to

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sudden death with four (4) on (4) and no goalie as per the 2005-2007 C.B.F. Rulebook.

(April 2008)

B8.4.3 For the F.B.A.O. Junior Provincial Championships, the following overtime ruling shall be utilized instead of Article 49 of the C.B.F. Rulebook:

- 1) For the U20 Divisions, the following overtime procedure will be utilized. The new sudden death C.B.F. overtime will be in effect, however, with a five (5) minute stop time period, playing with a goalie and three (3) other players. If no goals are scored after the five (5) minute sudden death period; then overtime with twelve (12) minute stop time periods will revert to sudden death with four (4) on four (4) and no goalie as per the 2005-2007 C.B.F. Rulebook.
- 2) For the U12, U14, and U16 Divisions, the following overtime procedure will be utilized. The teams will play four (4) on four (4) without goaltenders, in sudden death twelve (12) minute stop time periods. The C.B.F. overtime format from the 2005-2007 C.B.F. Rulebook will be in effect. (October 2015)

(April 2009)

B8.4.4 For the F.B.A.O. U20 National Qualifier, the following overtime ruling shall be utilized instead of Article 49 of the C.B.F. Rulebook:

- 1) The new sudden death C.B.F. overtime will be in effect, however, with a five (5) minute stop time period, playing with a goalie and three (3) other players. If no goals are scored after the five (5) minute sudden death period; then overtime with fifteen (15) minute stop time periods will revert to sudden death with four (4) on four (4) and no goalie as per the 2005-2007 C.B.F. Rulebook.

(April 2008)

B8.4.5 We recommend that players graduating from the junior level or new players to the game wear a C.S.A. approved half mask, at the least, at the senior level; with full implementation for all divisions by September 2016. (April 2014)

B8.4.6 All junior players must wear padded gloves effective for the 2014-2015 season. Gloves must have equal to or greater than the padding contained in commercially produced broomball gloves, and contain no external hard plastic. Major officials will have the final decision as to whether an illegal equipment penalty will be applied. (April 2015)

B8.4.7 At the conclusion of all Regional Championship, U20 National Qualifier, Junior Provincial, and Senior Provincial games; all players will return to their own player's bench immediately after the game if instructed by an official. (April 2019) Those team

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members that are not on the ice at the conclusion of play must remain on the bench until granted permission by the Major Officials to go onto the ice.

Teams may be instructed at any time during the game (April 2019), by the Major Official that they are to return to and stay on the bench after all games are concluded. This action is due to a number of altercations that have happened at the end of the games at past events.

In this situation, the customary team celebration and congratulations will occur on the bench or after the Major Official has blown their whistle and gave a hand signal to allow the teams to exit the benches and shake hands with the opposing team. This will not take place until the Major Officials are satisfied that it safe to do so.

Team officials will be responsible to keep their players on the bench, until they are directed to go onto the ice. Failure to comply with this policy can result in the loss of the team's Performance Bond, or possible disciplinary action through a suspension.

(April 2014)

ARTICLE B9 – AMENDMENT

These By-Laws may only be amended at a Board of Directors Meeting, by a two thirds (2/3) majority vote of all members present and voting.