

MINISTRY OF CULTURE, YOUTH AND SPORTS

SPORTS DIVISION

RULES GOVERNING THE 2012 UNDER 20 SECONDARY SCHOOLS BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

1. AGE QUALIFICATION AND REGISTRATION

- a) The championship is open to bona fide students of secondary schools, Dominica State College and the Business Training Centre.
- b) To qualify, players must be born in 1992 or after.
- c) A player shall not be registered for more than one institution.
- d) Only registered players will be allowed to play in the championship.
- e) Completed registration forms must be submitted to the Sports Division by **January 20, 2012**.

2. FORMAT

The competition will be opened with a ball-o-rama. The Champion House teams at the respective schools will represent their schools at the ball-o-rama.

- a) A match shall consist of four (4) quarters of ten (10) minutes duration.
- b) Teams will be played in two (2) zones.
- c) First round matches will be played on a round robin basis in each zone.
- d) The winner of one zone will play the second placed team of the other zone in the semi finals.

For semi finals, home court advantage will go to the teams with the better results at the end of the Round Robin.

- e) The two (2) semi-finals winners will play each other for the championship title.
- f) The competition will be played on a Robin Basis if fewer than six (6) team register and the Final will be played between the top two (2) teams.

3. REPORTING FOR MATCHES

- a) Teams are expected to arrive for a match at least half an hour before the scheduled start.

- b) Matches are scheduled to start at 4:00 p.m. Teams should therefore be at the match venue by 3:30 p.m.
- c) A school team should be afforded due supervision and must be accompanied by a schoolteacher at all its matches.
- d) A team unable to fulfill a match engagement must notify the Sports Division at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the start of the match.

4. DRESS

- a) All players must turn up for their matches in the appropriate school team uniform.
- b) Teams are expected to be uniformly dressed with the appropriate numbers from 4 to 15 on all vests, and any tights worn should be consistent with the dominant colour of the teams' uniforms.

In the event that numbers do not coincide with the prescribed range due consideration will be given to the team (s)

- c) Players must wear their shirts tucked into their shorts.
- d) No undergarments should be used beneath the shirts unless a Medical Certificate has been provided to justify the wearing of the undergarment.
- e) Undergarments that extend below the shorts may be worn provided that they are of the same dominant colour as the shorts.

5. PROCEDURE FOR PROTEST

- a) Dissatisfaction with the course of control of a match entitles a team to submit protest in writing to the Sports officer supervising the game within 20 minutes following the conclusion of the said match. The protest letter should be accompanied by the score sheet of the match with the Captain's Signature affixed on it.
- b) Players and/or team officials may not call off a match which is in progress, only the match officials (referees) may do so.

6. FORFEITS

- ◆ A team will forfeit match points for the following reasons:
 - i. Failure to field a team in accordance with the normal rules of the game.
 - ii. Failure to play or to continue playing.
 - iii. Failure to turn up for a match without giving due notice (see 3 {d}).
 - iv. Breach of rules governing age qualification and registration..
 - v. Scores for forfeit games will be 0 – 15.

- vi. A team shall lose by default if, during the game, the team has fewer than two (2) players on the playing court ready to play.

7. POINTS SYSTEM

	<i>Points</i>
A win (including by forfeit)	2
A loss	1
Loss by forfeit	Negative 2 points

8. DETERMINING THE WINNER OF EACH ZONE

- a) Team with most points.
- b) In the event of a tie in points the winner shall be the team which obtained more points when the teams concerned played each other.
- c) If more than two teams have the same number of points, normal basketball rules will apply.

9. HOME TEAM RESPONSIBILITIES

◆ Home teams shall supply the following:

- i. Score-boards, benches, tables.
- ii. At least three (3) table officials who should prepare the scorebooks and stats sheet as soon as the playing teams arrive.

10. LATE ARRIVAL AND "NO SHOW"

- (a) In the event that a match does not take place because of "no show" or lateness by one or both teams, the matter will be investigated by the Sports Division and a decision will be taken to either award negative 2 points to defaulter(s) or have the match replayed.
- (b) Under these circumstances, the match will only be replayed upon receipt by the Sports Division within 72 hours, a report by the defaulter(s), on the circumstances surrounding the lateness or "no show", provided that the Sports Division is satisfied that the school(s) concerned did all in its (their) power to turn up for the match and to be on time, and provided also, that the school(s) concerned did all it (they) could to inform the opposing team(s) about the problem.
- (c) **Schools found to be in violation of the Late Arrival/No Show regulation will, in addition to the negative 2 points penalty, bear the costs (referees fees, court preparation, transportation costs) associated with the incomplete or unplayed match fixture (s).**

11. DISCIPLINE

- a) The breaking of rules and/or the employment of any action not covered by the wording of the rules, in a manner contrary to the spirit of game is not permitted.
- b) An official may ask a player to leave the court permanently for rough and dangerous play, fighting and indecent language.
- c) Any player/players insulting or assaulting a referee, match official, officer of the Sports Division/Ministry, guests of the Sports

Division, principals, teachers, parents, players and spectators will be suspended from further participation in the competition, until the outcome of an investigation to determine whether further disciplinary action will be warranted.

12. WITHDRAWAL OF TEAMS

Schools are expected to complete all match fixtures.

In the event that a school withdraws from the league/festival/match after having started or confirmed its participation, the matter will be investigated, and if the reason for such withdrawal proves unsatisfactory to the Sports Division, the students/pupils from the school concerned will not be considered for national selection and awards. **The school(s) concerned will also bear costs (referees fees, court preparation, transportation costs etc.) associated with the incomplete or unplayed match fixture(s).**

13. OVER AGE

Schools playing student(s)/pupil(s) who are over the age limit set for the championship will be disqualified. Students/pupils concerned will not be considered for national selection and awards; **and the school(s) concerned will bear costs (referees fees, ground preparation, transportation costs etc.) with respect to the match(es) in which the overaged player(s) participated.**

14. AWARDS

The following awards will be presented at the Annual Schools Awards Ceremony:

- a) Championship Team Awards
- b) 2nd Place Team Awards
- c) Zone Winner Awards
- d) Most Disciplined Team Awards
- e) Most Valuable Player (**MVP**) Awards
- f) Top Scorer Awards

15. CRITERIA FOR MOST VALUABLE PLAYER AND MOST DISCIPLINED TEAM

(a) Most Valuable Player (MVP)

The MVP will be selected using the objective results on the STATS Sheet. In the case of discrepancies, Plan B will be referred to.

PLAN B

Coaches shall nominate 1st and 2nd choices for MVP on the opponents team after each game during the Round Robin phase.

1st choice nominees will receive a score of 10 points

2nd choice nominees will receive a score of 5 points

Player with most points will be declared MVP. In the event of a tie, the Sports Division will declare the MVP.

Note: A team's MVP is the player who had the greatest positive impact on his team's performance

(b) Most Disciplined Team

Teams will be penalized with negative points for ill-discipline as follow:

Lateness:	arrival within ten minutes prior to start of a match(negative 5 points)
	arrival after the scheduled start of match (negative 10 points)
No Show:	unexcused or unacceptable reason for "No Show". (Team will be not be considered for award)
Improper Dress:	negative 2 points per player out of uniform
Improper Coaches Behaviour:	coaches will be penalized on a scale negative 2 to negative 10 points.
Each Technical Foul:	negative 5 points
Ejection:	negative 15 points for team per player
Coaches Ejection:	negative 5 points
Suspension for more than rest of the game:	penalty will range from negative 5 – negative 10 points depending on the length of suspension

Teams with the least negative points will be declared the **Most Disciplined Team**.

In the case of a tie, the Sports Division will determine the winner of the award.

16. GENERAL

- a) School teachers are expected to ensure that their players and supporters exhibit attitudes conducive to maintaining the good name of the sport and their respective institutions.
- b) All players and team officials are required to observe to the edict, "the referees' decision is final."
- c) Normal rules of basketball will apply throughout the championship and particularly in respect of determining zone winners, in the event of two or more teams having the same number of points at the end of the "round robin" round of matches.

BUS RATES

DISTANCE	COST	DISTANCE	COST
Roseau to Castle Bruce	\$250.00 (round trip)	Marigot to Roseau	\$280.00(round trip)
Roseau to Londonderry	\$300.00(“ “)	Marigot to Portsmouth	\$195.00(“ “)
Roseau to Portsmouth	\$250.00(“ “)	Marigot to Grand Bay (via West Coast)	\$500.00(“ “)
Roseau to Grand Bay	\$125.00(“ “)	Marigot to Grand Bay	\$330.00(“ “)
Roseau to St. Joseph	\$100.00(“ “)	Marigot to Castle Bruce	\$180.00(“ “)
Roseau to Dublanc	\$200.00(“ “)	Marigot to Dublanc	\$230.00(“ “)
Roseau to Jimmit	\$ 60.00(“ “)	Marigot to Jimmit	\$180.00(“ “)
Roseau to Macoucherie	\$150.00(“ “)	Marigot to Grand Bay	\$330.00(“ “)
Roseau to Soufriere	\$ 60.00(“ “)	Marigot to Macoucherie	\$300.00(“ “)
Roseau to Pte. Mitchel	\$ 50.00(“ “)	Atkinson to Calibishie	\$150.00(“ “)
Roseau to Salybia	\$ 275.00(“ “)	Bense to Salybia	\$200.00(“ “)
Roseau to Marigot	\$280.00(“ “)	Bense to Marigot	\$125.00(“ “)
Portsmouth to Roseau	\$250.00(“ “)	Penville to Calibishie	\$150.00(“ “)
Portsmouth to Grand Bay	\$330.00(“ “)	Penville to Portsmouth	\$150.00(“ “)
Portsmouth to Dublanc	\$ 60.00(“ “)	Delices to Marigot	\$250.00(“ “)
Portsmouth to Londonderry	\$175.00(“ “)	Soufriere to Grand Bay	\$150.00(“ “)
Portsmouth to Jimmit	\$200.00(“ “)	St. Joseph to Roseau	\$100.00(“ “)
Portsmouth to St. Joseph	\$175.00(“ “)	St. Joseph to GrandBay	\$225.00(“ “)
Portsmouth to Castle Bruce	\$350.00(“ “)	St. Joseph to Dublanc	\$100.00(“ “)
Portsmouth to Macoucherie	\$175.00(“ “)	St. Joseph to Portsmouth	\$200.00(“ “)
Portsmouth to La Plaine	\$400.00 (“ “)	St. Joseph to Londonderry	\$275.00(“ “)
Portsmouth to Soufriere	\$325.00 (“ “)	St. Joseph to Castle Bruce	\$250.00(“ “)
Portsmouth to Morne Jaune	\$370.00(“ “)	Londonderry to Macoucherie	\$300.00(“ “)
Portsmouth to Giraudel	\$300.00(“ “)	Londonderry to Portsmouth	\$175.00(“ “)
Portsmouth to Campbell	\$150.00(“ “)	Londonderry to St. Joseph	\$275.00(“ “)
Portsmouth to Pte Michel	\$300.00(“ “)	Londonderry to Castle Bruce	\$200.00(“ “)
Portsmouth to Marigot	\$195.00(“ “)	Londonderry to Dublanc	\$250.00(“ “)
Portsmouth to Carib Reserve	\$325.00(“ “)	Londonderry to Jimmit	\$200.00(“ “)
Portsmouth to Laudat	\$315.00(“ “)	Londonderry to Grand Bay	\$350.00(“ “)
Portsmouth to Tete Morne	\$375.00(“ “)	Londonderry to Roseau	\$300.00(“ “)
Grand Bay to Roseau	\$125.00(“ “)	Campbell to Roseau	\$80.00(“ “)
Grand Bay to Londonderry	\$350.00(“ “)	Campbell to Portsmouth	\$210.00 (“ “)
Grand Bay to Portsmouth	\$330.00(“ “)	Paix Bouche to Portsmouth	\$60.00(“ “)
Grand Bay to Castle Bruce	\$300.00(“ “)	Mahaut to Portsmouth	\$225.00(“ “)
Grand Bay to St. Joseph	\$225.00(“ “)	Warner to Portsmouth	\$300.00 (“ “)
Grand Bay to Macoucherie	\$250.00(“ “)	Mahaut to St. Joseph	\$50.00(“ “)
Grand Bay to Jimmit	\$150.00(“ “)	Salisbury to St. Joseph	\$45.00(“ “)
Grand Bay to Macoucherie	\$250.00 (“ “)	Laplaine to Portsmouth	\$450.00(“ “)
Grand Bay to Marigot	\$330.00 (“ “)	Soufriere to Roseau	\$100.00(“ “)
Grand Bay to Dublanc	\$310.00 (“ “)	Pointe Michel to Roseau	\$50.00(“ “)
Castle Bruce to Dublanc	\$350.00(“ “)	Massacre to Portsmouth	\$245.00(“ “)
Castle Bruce to Grand Bay	\$300.00(“ “)	Massacre to Roseau	\$45.00(“ “)
Castle Bruce to St. Joseph	\$250.00(“ “)	Castle Bruce to Laplaine	\$150.00(“ “)
Castle Bruce to Roseau	\$250. 00(“ “)	Castle Bruce to Delices	\$175.00(“ “)
Castle Bruce to Londonderry	\$200.00(“ “)	San Sauveur to Castle Bruce	\$75.00(“ “)
Castle Bruce to Marigot	\$180.00(“ “)	Delices (grand fond) to Castle Bruce	\$225.00(“ “)
Castle Bruce to Macoucherie	\$275.00 (“ “)	Atkinson to Roseau	\$300.00(“ “)
Castle Bruce to St. Joseph	\$250.00(“ “)	Carib Reserve to Portsmouth	\$325.00(“ “)
Castle Bruce to Portsmouth	\$350.00(“ “)	Roseau to Penville	\$415.00(“ “)
Castle Bruce to Jimmit	\$250.00(“ “)	Roseau to Tete Morne	\$150.00 (“ “)
Castle Bruce to Portsmouth	\$350.00(“ “)	Roseau to Petite Savanne	\$180.00(“ “)
Castle Bruce to Salybia	\$100.00 (“ “)	Delices (G.Fond) to Calibishie	\$475.00 “ “)
Jimmit to Portsmouth	\$200.00(“ “)	Salisbury to Dublanc	\$75.009(“ “)
Jimmit to Londonderry	\$200.00(“ “)	Tete Morne to Roseau	\$175.00 (“ “)
Jimmit to Castle Bruce	\$250.00(“ “)	Dublanc to Pointe Michel	\$200.00 (“ “)
Jimmit to Dublanc	\$150.00(“ “)	Penville to Roseau	\$450.00(“ “)
Jimmit to Macoucherie	\$ 75.00(“ “)	Petite Savanne to Roseau	\$190.00(“ “)
Jimmit to Roseau	\$ 60.00(“ “)	Massacre to Dublanc	\$150.00 (“ “)
Jimmit to Grand Bay	\$150.00(“ “)	Calibishie to Portsmouth	\$160.00 (“ “)
Jimmit to Marigot	\$180.00(“ “)	Grand Fond to La Plaine	\$150.00(“ “)
Jimmit to St. Joseph	\$75.00(“ “)	Tete Morne to Grand Bay	\$ 75.00(“ “)
Wesley to Marigot	\$50.00(“ “)	La Plaine to Castle Bruce	\$250.00 (“ “)
Wesley to Roseau	\$300.00(“ “)	Salisbury to Portsmouth	\$130.00 (“ “)
		Vielle Case to Porstmouth	\$120.00 (“ “)

NB: Bus Fare for Coaster Buses = cost x 2 x 85%