

MINISTRY OF CULTURE, YOUTH AND SPORTS

SPORTS DIVISION

RULES/REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE 2012 SECONDARY SCHOOLS VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Championships will be governed according to the International Volleyball rules and regulations unless provided for in the rules below.

1. REGISTRATION

- (a) *Registration of teams must be done on the prescribed registration form.*
- (b) *The correct date of birth must be clearly written next to the full name of each player appearing on the registration form.*
- (c) *A player shall be registered for one institution.*
- (d) *Registered players must be bona fide members of the institution for which they are registered.*
- (e) *Schools may register only one team per category.*
- (f) *Completed registration forms must be submitted to the Sports Division by Friday, January 13, 2012.*

2. QUALIFICATION

- (a) *To qualify, players must be born in 1992 and after.*
- (b) *Only registered players will be allowed to play in the championship.*
- (c) *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. **The school(s) concerned will also bear costs (umpires fees, ground preparation, transportation etc.) associated with the incomplete or unplayed match fixture(s).***

3. DURATION OF MATCHES

Best of five sets (in accordance with FIVB Rules)

4. REPORTING FOR MATCHES

- (a) *Teams are expected to arrive at least half an hour before the scheduled start of matches (i.e. for matches beginning at 2:00 p.m., teams should arrive by 1:30 pm)*
- (b) *A school team should be afforded due supervision and **MUST** be accompanied by a school teacher at **ALL** its matches.*
- (c) *A team will be considered as having reported for a match, once no less than five players are on hand in the appropriate uniform and accompanied by a teacher.*
- (d) *A team unable to fulfill a match engagement must notify the Sports Division at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the match in question.*

5. 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 (umpires fees, ground preparation, transportation) associated with the unplayed game.***

6. DRESS

- (a) *All players must turn up for their matches in the appropriate school team uniform.*
- (b) *Players who do not conform to the dress code will be asked to leave the court.*

7. PROCEDURES FOR PROTEST

- (a) *Dissatisfaction with the course of control of a match entitles a team to submit protest in writing to the Sports Division within forty-eight (48) hours of the conclusion of the said match.*
- (b) *Players and team officials may not call off a match which is in progress – only the umpires may do so.*

8. FORFEITS

A team will forfeit match points for the following reasons:

- (i) *Failure to field a minimum of five players (except if excused)*
- (ii) *Failure to play or to continue playing.*
- (iii) *Failure to turn up for a match without giving due notice (see 4 (d)).*
- (iv) *Breach of rules governing “Age qualification” and “Registration”.*

9. POINTS SYSTEM

- (a) *A win (including by forfeit): 2 points*
- (b) *A loss: 0 points*
- (c) *Loss by forfeit: negative 2 Points*

10. DETERMINING THE WINNERS OF THE ZONES

- (a) *In the zones, matches will be played on a round-robin basis and the two teams topping the points table in their respective zone will enter the next stage of the championship (i.e. the semi finals).*
- (c) *In determining winners of round-robin in the zones, the following will apply:*
 - (i) *Team with most points wins.*
 - (ii) *In the event of a tie in points the winner shall be the team which won the game when the teams concerned played each other.*
 - (iii) *If after (ii) there is a tie in points then the team with the better sets difference wins.*
 - (iv) *If after (iii) the tie still exists, then the team with more winning sets wins.*

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) *The referee may use yellow cards (formal warning) and red cards (expulsion from the game) in accordance with the International Volleyball rules and regulations.*
- (c) *Any player/players insulting or assaulting an umpire, 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

*In the event that a school withdraws from the championship 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 (umpires fees, ground preparation, transportation etc.) associated with the incomplete or unplayed match fixture(s).***

13. AWARDS

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

- Champion Team Award
- 2nd Place Team Award
- Most Valuable Player (MVP) Award
- Most Disciplined Team Award

14. CRITERIA FOR MVP & MOST DISCIPLINED TEAM AWARDS

Most Valuable Player Award

- Coaches shall nominate 1st and 2nd choices for MVP on the opponent's 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 her team's performance.

Most Disciplined Team Award

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

- (i) Lateness:
 - arrival within ten minutes prior to start of a match (negative 5 points)
 - arrival after the scheduled start of match (negative 10 points)
- (ii) No Show: unexcused or unacceptable No Show reasons
(Team will be not be considered for award)
- (iii) Improper Dress: negative 2 points per player out of uniform
- (iv) Yellow Card (Warning): negative 5 points for team
- (v) Red Card (Expulsion): negative 10 points for team
- (vi) Improper Coaches Behavior: coaches will be penalized on a scale of negative 2 to negative 10 points
- (vii) Suspension beyond a game: penalty will range from negative 10 to 15 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.

15. 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 the edict:
"THE UMPIRE'S DECISION IS FINAL"
- (c) School teachers are required to arrange for their teams to arrive as a group when turning up for their matches.

- 16. Schools are asked to adhere to the following rates when hiring buses:

BUS RATES

<i>DISTANCE</i>	<i>COST</i>	<i>DISTANCE</i>	<i>COST</i>
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(“ “)	Laplaïne 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 Laplaïne	\$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	\$75.00(“ “)
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 Portsmouth	\$120.00(“ “)

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