
SQUASH



AGE GROUP(S)

11 -16 years of age (as of February 9, 2012)

ZONE TEAM COMPOSITION

The maximum team size shall be:

5 competitors per zone

2 coaches or chaperones per zone (# of females 1 # of males 1)

Note: Each team must be represented by at least two (2) males and two (2) females. The other participant of the team can be either male or female. Two (2) members of the team must be under fifteen (15) years of age.

FILL POLICY

Should a zone be unable to submit a team (5), that zone may request substitute athlete(s) to fill their zone.

1. Zones will provide their team lists, including all potential substitutes in ranked order of ability.
2. These potential substitutes will be placed on the Squash Alberta Substitution List.
3. Of the substitute athletes, those from the host zone will be given priority to participate in the Games.
4. The Provincial Sport Coordinator will confer with the necessary coaches/zone representatives to determine the fill(s) based on availability and proximity.

Fill athletes will be approved by the Provincial Sport Coordinator and submitted to the Alberta Sport, Recreation, Parks & Wildlife Foundation by **December 16, 2011.**

ELIGIBILITY

Athletes

- Athletes that have been, or are, members of a National Team are ineligible.
- Athletes who have been named to a Provincial Team at the U13 and U15 category or above in the past two (2) years are ineligible.
- Athletes shall compete in the zone in which he/she resides.

For Alberta Games Eligibility Policy information please visit www.albertagames.com

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ELIGIBILITY, cont'd

Coaches

NCCP Certification—All Alberta Winter Games Coaches must be fully certified **Level 1 coaches** or higher under the old NCCP, or fully certified **Squash Instructor** or higher under the new NCCP.

All coaches and chaperones must be at least eighteen (18) years old by the start of the Alberta Games.

AFFILIATION

Athletes and coaches must be members of Squash Alberta and have paid the appropriate membership fee prior to the commencement of the Games competition. For more information check out www.squashalberta.com

PROVINCIAL GAMES REGISTRATION FEE AND DEADLINE

All zone team competitors, who qualify to compete at the 2012 Alberta Winter Games (excluding coaches and chaperones), are required to pay an individual registration fee of **\$40.00**. This fee will go towards offsetting the costs related to transportation, accommodation, meals, zone identification, medals, athlete entertainment and sport competitions. This fee must accompany the athlete's registration form for the Provincial Games.

Please note that the registration deadline for Squash is **December 16, 2011**.

EVENT(S)

- The competition shall be played in a team format, in a single co-ed event.
- Teams will be divided into two (2) pools in a round robin competition.
- The zone teams will be seeded by player composition based on Squash Alberta rankings.
- Teams will be seeded in descending order from 1 to 8.

Team Seeding	
Pool A	Pool B
1st	2nd
4th	3rd
5th	6th
8th	7th

- From the results of Pool A and Pool B round robin, crossover encounters between corresponding ranked teams based on each of the two (2) pools resulting in a final ranking of all teams from 1 to 8.

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Playoffs	Determines
1st in Pool A vs. 2nd in Pool B	Winner to play for Gold medal-Loser to play for Bronze medal
2nd in Pool A vs. 1st in Pool B	Winner to play for Gold medal-Loser to play for Bronze medal
3rd in Pool A vs. 4th in Pool B	Winner to play for 5th/6th-Loser to play for 7th/8th
4th in Pool A vs. 3rd in Pool B	Winner to play for 5th/6th-Loser to play for 7th/8th

- Appeals of team seeding must be made prior to **January 13, 2012**. Any appeals must be in writing and be accompanied by supporting documentation and delivered to Squash Alberta.
- For each encounter between zone teams there will be five (5) matches:
 - Day One 5,3,1,2,4
 - Day Two 4,2,1,5,3
 - Day Three 3,5,1,4,2
- Competition governed by World Squash Federation Rules.
Injury and Illness during Event: If any player is unable to compete once competition has started, zone team will default that athlete's position of play by a score of games (3-0), points (33-0).

PROTEST PROCEDURES

- The Alberta Sport, Recreation, Parks & Wildlife Foundation will be informed of all protests.
- Protests concerning the eligibility of competitors must be made prior to, or within one (1) hour after competing with the individual or team being made the first time that the individuals or teams meet in competition (Official Rules Book).
- These protests must be given to the Tournament Referee who will forward them to the Sport Jury for information and they will be dealt with by the Alberta Games Jury.
- Should a team wish to protest an outcome involving their encounter, they must:
 1. The coach/manager must indicate their intention to protest on the 'Encounter Report Form', at the completion of the encounter.
 2. The coach/manager must complete a 'Protest Form', accurately describing the event and their cause for protest, and submit this form to the Tournament Referee. The result of the encounter will be deemed 'Unofficial'.

Appeal

- Should a team wish to pursue an appeal, they have one (1) hour from the time the Tournament Referee announces the decision on the protest.
- The Tournament Referee will inform the Sport Jury of the appeal immediately, and forward all pertinent documentation to the Sport Jury.
- The Sport Jury will meet at the first opportunity to discuss the appeal.
- The Sport Jury's decision will be rendered within one (1) hour of the appeal, and notification will be made to the coach/manager of each team involved.

IX. SPORT COMPETITION PACKAGE

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PROTEST PROCEDURES, cont'd

- The decision of the Sport Jury is final.
- The result of the encounter will be deemed 'Official', and posted as the Official Result.
- A copy of the decision will be forwarded to the Games Results Chairperson.
- The Sport Jury will include three (3) people: Host Sport Chair, Provincial Sport Coordinator and Tournament Referee.
- Should the Tournament Referee be the encounter official, another technical official will be appointed in his/her place.

EQUIPMENT SPECIFICATIONS

The official ball will be the Dunlop Revelation Pro. Junior athletes (under age 19) must wear Squash Canada approved polycarbonate-lensed eyeguards, that meet or exceed CSA standards, in all Squash Alberta sanctioned events. Competitive uniforms will be appropriate squash attire.

ENTRY AND ZONE PLAYOFF PROCEDURES

- The team will consist of five (5) players.
- Players will be selected in order according to ability.
- Player ranking must be submitted to the Provincial Sport Coordinator by **January 27, 2012**
- Athletes will be ranked in descending order of strength from 1-5.
- The ranking of players within the team may not change prior to the Winter Games except as allowed by illness or other reasons accepted by the Alberta Sport, Recreation, Parks & Wildlife Foundation.

To determine the date and location of zone playoffs/selection please visit www.squashalberta.com or www.albertagames.com

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ZONE SPORT REPRESENTATIVE

Each of the eight (8) zones has a designated Squash representative. To contact your zone sport representative please visit www.albertagames.com for the list and contact information for each zone sport representative.

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