

Appendix 7: NBIAA Hosting - Minimum Standards for all Provincials and Senior Regionals

We also recommend that these standards be followed for NBIAA Junior Regional events and if some cannot be met, the conference presidents must be in agreement.

Accommodations

Depending on the particular competition being hosted, accommodation requirements can vary greatly. Although it is preferable that required accommodations be near the competition site (60 km maximum one way), it should be noted that smaller communities away from the host site may need to be used. When accommodations are required, the tournament committee should attempt to negotiate a reduced rate for visiting competitors and inform all conferences of the arrangements. Where possible, block rooms with the NBIAA sponsor hotel when one exists in the area. Inform the hotel that teams attending provincials will likely not be known until the weekend before provincials and request that they hold all block booked rooms until 9:00pm on the Monday prior to Provincials.

Concessions

Depending on the nature and location of the meet, concessions may or may not be necessary; therefore, concessions should be provided at the discretion of the organizing committee and with menu choices that keep the best interests of the student athletes in mind (Nutrition Policy 711). No alcohol is to be served at NBIAA events, as per O.R. 11.5.

First Aid

A first aid station must be available with first aid certified personnel. Please be sure to consult the Safety Guidelines for Physical Education.

Playing facilities

Prior to determining the location, the school host, conference and officials must approve of the playing conditions.

Indoor venues:

- All floor lines must be of a consistent color and clearly visible to players and officials.
- The playing area must be flat and of a consistent material to allow for safe play.
- The gym must be adequately lit to ensure clear visibility for players and officials.
- Score keeper's devices must be clearly visible to coaches, spectators, and officials.

Outdoor venues:

- All required lines must be clearly identified and visible to players and officials.
- The playing surface must be flat, without holes and of a consistent material (grass or turf), which is maintained in order to allow for proper play and safety. It must be free of all debris and water.

Admission

Entry fees for spectators must be collected at all regional/championship events*. We highly recommend that outside facilities are fenced. *Exceptions – Golf, badminton and cross-country.

Sound System

A proper sound system must be used for the playing of warm-up music / national anthem, as well as the announcing of players. The national anthem must either be an audio file or performed by an individual and must also be bilingual or instrumental.

In addition to following the recommendations contained in the NB Safety Guidelines, the following facility requirements are needed at the host locations:

Badminton

- A minimum of 4 double courts is required to host.
- All courts must have a minimum of half a meter of clearance between courts and 1 m on the ends.
- The minimum ceiling height shall be 7m.
- Seating for spectators should accommodate a minimum of 150 people.
- Adequate change facilities to accommodate the players.

Baseball

- A minimum of one (1) field with lights.
- Minimum field dimensions as indicated by baseball Canada (midget).
- The dugouts must be covered.

Basketball (Provincial Sectionals & Finals)

- FIBA court dimensions for regulation are 28m by 15m (25m x 15m minimum).
- Seating for spectators must be able to accommodate a minimum of 200 people.
- There must be a minimum one meter free zone around the court.
- Floor markings and backboards must comply with rule specifications.
 - Rectangular key - 19' long to the center of the circle by 12' wide
 - 3pt line –19' 9" radius to outside of line
 - Rectangular board – 1.8m wide by 1.05m tall
- Must have proper functioning score clock with 24 second clocks on both ends.
- Wall safety pads must also be provided as per the NB Safety Guidelines.

Cheerleading:

- Facility - A 42' x 42' matted surface for the performance floor and an additional one for warm ups (preferably near the main floor).
- Seating for spectators in the main gym area must be able to accommodate a minimum of 200 people, plus seating area for all the teams.
- Limited entry points to ensure a secure gate for admissions.
- Area available for teams to get ready.

Cross Country

- The course should be laid out in an area that will provide a variety of terrain for all distances to be run.
- Essential that each route be clearly marked to avoid confusion for the participants.
- Races are encouraged to incorporate a looped distance.
- Although parts of the course should be challenging, care must be taken to avoid routes that could be dangerous in the event of rain or snow conditions.
- The start line must be at least 50m wide and half of the race route must be a passable area with a minimum width for being no less than 1m for no more than 250m.
- Ample washrooms and change facilities to accommodate 256 runners, plus spectators.

Field hockey

- Regulation size field hockey field as established by FIH – 91.40m x 55m wide.
- It is highly recommended to use a synthetic turf field and to try to have two fields available.
- Must supply a bench for each of the two teams and it is recommended to provide temporary shelter.
- The net must be regulation size – 3.66m wide x 2.14m and in good condition, without holes.
- Must have access to changing and washroom facilities.
- The host school must provide two game balls for each game.

Football:

- A synthetic turf field is required.
- Adequate change room/shower facilities for 40 players per team.
- Change room for officials. Game Officials will normally arrive approximately 1 hour prior to game time. Please ensure they have access to dressing rooms and to shower facilities following the game. The dressing rooms must be able to be secured (locked) during the game, and should not be accessible to others until after the officials have vacated the premises following the game.
- An announcer, P.A. system, timer, scorekeeper, a vantage point for videotaping and or coaches observation.
- Suitable goal post padding is required.
- The Home Team is responsible for field security. In the interest of safety, spectators should be kept at least 10 yards back from the sidelines.
- Adequate parking & spectator seating.
- Access to field for emergency vehicles.
- Washroom facilities for spectators.
- Limited entry points to ensure a secure gate for admissions.

Golf

- 18 hole regulation golf course is required for *Provincials and recommended for Regionals*.
- Must have access to the 'club house'.
- The ground must be available for practice rounds the day before the tournament.

Hockey

- Must have access to four locker rooms with showers and 1 official's room with showers.
- Rink surface must be a minimum of NHL size (85 x 200).
- When possible, have a room to store equipment.
- Seating for spectators must be able to accommodate a minimum of 500 people.

Rugby

- The minimum field dimensions would be 68m W x 112m L (122m max) 6.11 m end zone. 100m playing field – 6m to 11m max end zones.
- All goal posts must be properly padded.
- Must supply a bench for each of the two teams and it is recommended to provide temporary shelter.
- Must have access to change facilities and washroom facilities for spectators.
- All fields must have 14 flags (1.25m in height), 7 per side, placed properly (minimum 3.4m for uprights).

Soccer

- Two fields must be available within 50km of each other. The semi-final games must be played on the same type of surface, either grass or turf.
- Field dimensions – 45m (90m max) x 90m (120m max). Width of the lines must be the same and must not be more than 12 cm.
- It is highly recommended to use a synthetic turf field.
- All lines must be clearly identified and marked appropriately, including technical areas.
- Proper corner flags must be used.
- The nets must be regulation size – 7.32m x 2.44m and must be in good condition, without holes.
- Must supply a bench for each of the two teams and it is recommended to provide temporary shelter.
- Must have access to two change facilities for players and one for officials.
- Washroom facilities for spectator must be provided.

Softball

- The field dimensions as per the NBIAA Softball guidelines must be followed.
- Fields must have access to washroom facilities.
- Lights are recommended in case of bad weather.
- A set of bases are required, including the safety bag at 1st base.
- Pitching rubber is required, as some fields have them only at 46'.

Swimming:

- A 25m pool with 6 lanes minimum is required.
- Seating for spectators and participants must be able to accommodate a minimum of 500 people.

Track and Field

- A 400m all-weather track is required with a minimum of 6 lanes for all track events.
- Events require a high jump pit and equipment, two long jump/triple jump pits, one javelin area, one discus area (netted), one shot put area and a minimum of 90 hurdles.
- Washrooms (portable toilets rent as required) and change facilities are required and showers are recommended.
- Spectator space is required with all spectators and non-competitors to be excluded from the track infield area. A recommendation would be seating for 500 people.

Volleyball

- Two courts are required – regulation size (18m x 9m) – Senior volleyball – 2 main courts; Junior volleyball – 2 side courts.
- Properly secured nets with antennas, the nets must be able to be set at the proper height and must be taut to allow ball play off it. Recommendation to utilize the new 3" pole system.
- Posts must be at least ½ m outside the side line and completely padded.
- Proper referee stands to allow the officials to officiate safely.
- Playing area – there must be 2m of free space all around the court with a minimum of 7m of clearance above the entire playing court (18m x 9m). All seating, player's bench as well as scorer's table must be outside the 2m free space.
- Must provide two change facilities for players and one for officials.
- Seating for spectators must be able to accommodate a minimum of 100 people per court.

Wrestling:

- Three wrestling mat surfaces (36x36).
- Score/Time Clocks
- Mat Cleaner & Tape
- Seating for spectators must be able to accommodate a minimum of 100 people.
- Mats with protection area around wrestling mats.