

**BADMINTON 1.000**

**Schedules 1.100**

- 1.101 The schedule shall be established using a scheduling matrix and the numbers that are drawn for spring sports by the NBL principals. This schedule will be a triple round robin, in effect for two years, with the home and away contests reversed in the second year. After the second year, numbers will be redrawn and a new schedule developed using the schedule matrix. The matrix is located at the end of these bylaws.

***The schedule shall be a double round robin and shall be reversed and rotated each year with the first round being practice matches.***

- 1.102 League badminton matches will be played on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 4:00 PM.

**Practice 1.200**

**Game Administration 1.300**

- 1.301 The USA Badminton Rule Book is the governing authority in badminton, as modified by the NCS Board of Managers and/or the CIF Federated Council.  
NCS Modifications: One-inch (25.4 mm) lines are permitted.

- 1.302 Coaches must exchange line-ups at the beginning of the match. The home coach should welcome the visitors, introduce the coaches and establish the ground rules.

- 1.303 Coaches will determine when matches will be played will be played according to which players are playing singles, doubles, or mixed doubles.

- 1.304 The schools of the NBL shall have a first, second, third, and fourth singles players in girls' and boys' singles; a first and second doubles team in boys' and girls' doubles; and a first, second and third mixed doubles teams.

- (a) The top three ranked players do not have to play singles, but those who are playing singles and doubles must play in ranked order. (2/2/2011)

***After the first three players in the line-up, any combination of players can be used provided the first doubles team is ranked higher than the second. In mixed doubles, the teams must play the first, second, and third doubles team in ranked order.***

- 1.305 Players may play in two categories.

- 1.306 Match rules

- (a) When matches are put on the courts, have both players come to the desk to get their score sheets and the shuttle. They should introduce themselves.

- (b) Players should be reminded that play is continuous and that no coaching is allowed except at the following breaks:

Between the first and second game—2 minutes—players may NOT leave the court.

Between the second and third game if split games—2 minutes—players may leave the court.

***Play shall be continuous from the first service until the match is concluded with the exception of any injury. There will be no side line coaching allowed during the match except in the following instances:***

- a. ***A maximum 90-second break will be allowed between the first and second game on the court for coaching (players may not leave the court). Water may be taken to the court, but a player may not have water/drinks on the court at any time.***

- b. ***A maximum two-minute break will be allowed between the second and third***

**game (players may leave the court).**

- (c) Water is allowed on the courts in a container that is not open. Abuse of water breaks is considered unsportsmanlike and may result in a warning. Continued abuse may result in an ejection.
- (d) When players go to the courts, they should try not to disturb the courts in play. Players should move quickly to their court when the bird is not in play on the courts they are passing.
- (e) If there are questions regarding the rules, etc., players can indicate this to the coaches by sending a player to the table.
- (f) Players who split games should leave their rackets on the court to indicate that the match has not yet been completed.**

1.307 Rally scoring will be used.

1.308 Junior varsity co-ed format shall be three boys' singles, three girls' singles, one girls' doubles, one boys' doubles, and one mixed doubles. The top two singles do not have to play singles, but those who are playing singles and doubles must play in ranked order.

1.309 A player may move from varsity to junior varsity and vice-versa at any time during the season. However, a player may not participate as a varsity player and a JV player in the same day/match.

1.310 If a position is to be forfeited, the forfeit must be placed at the bottom of the ranked players; i.e., fourth place singles, second place doubles or third place mixed doubles. JV third place singles.

1.311 Players are required to wear their badminton school uniforms in all NBL and NCS matches. NCS uniform rules will be used.

**Equipment 1.400**

1.401 The NBL will use the Yonex—Mavix 350 (yellow) shuttle.

**League and Tournament 1.800**

1.801 There will be an NBL qualifying tournament for qualification to the NCS Championships.

- a. The singles tournament will take place on a Friday **Tuesday** following the league round-robin. Warm-ups will begin at 3:30 PM and match play will begin at 4:00 PM.
- b. The doubles and mixed-doubles tournament will take place on the Saturday **Friday** after the singles tournament. Warm-ups will begin at 8:00 AM and match play will begin at 8:30.
- c. All players must play in the NBL tournament to qualify for the NCS Championships.
- d. Participants in the tournament must have played in at least one-half of the NBL matches at the varsity or junior varsity level.
- e. All schools participating in the NBL tournament must provide workers to assist the site directors. Each school should secure 2 – 3 volunteers.

**(f) The SCL Championship will be decided by the records for the round robin competition.**

1.802 All-league selection criteria

1. Wins and losses
2. In case of tie, head-to-head competition
3. Coach discussion
4. If still tied, blind vote; coaches may not vote for their own players
5. Commissioner will develop a nomination sheet to be used by coaches for all-

## league and league MVP

### MVP selection criteria

1. Season record, wins and losses
2. Consider any level of competition, singles, doubles and/or mixed doubles
3. Each coach should bring team match sheets to the all-league to compare wins and losses
4. Each coach may speak about their MVP nominee for no more than one minute
5. The MVP should be the best player in the league; a team MVP may not necessarily be the NBL MVP
6. Coaches should make every effort to be present at the all-league selection meeting. However, if not possible, other league coaches will consider players based on the information received on the nomination sheets.