Competitions Western Region – Report for General Meeting, Dec 9, 2021

# Regionals 2022

This event will be run in London, March 25-27, 2022, and will follow all COVID protocols as required at that time. Watch for a registration link and pricing shortly.

#### Regionals 2023

Is your association interested in hosting Regionals in 2023 (maybe 2024?) or at some time in the future? Let our Tournaments committee know!

# **Provincials**

The Provincial Events are now confirmed and communication has been sent out by RO for registration. Deadline for registration is December 15th. This year, there are no qualification requirements to attend provincials.

All details can be found here:

https://ringetteontario.com/games-and-tournaments/provincialsofficial/

Ringette Ontario will be seeking out hosts for future events. Please let us know and contact the RO office if you are interested in hosting an event.

# Tournaments

Welcome back to tournaments! Most tournaments will be scheduled similarly to in the past. Be aware that COVID protocols may be in place including Vaccination requirements, limited time access to dressing rooms, and not "hanging out" at the arenas. Please check with your tournament hosts if they have not provided their local requirements.

### Tournament Hosts

Reminder that associations hosting tournaments still need the same approvals as pre-covid (schedules etc).

RO recently distributed a new Sanctioned Event package.

### Contact Tracing

While not directly under Competitions, remember even though we are "back on the ice", contact tracing remains a critical part of our safety program. This includes home and away games, office activities, and tournaments. Teams are responsible for tracking their guests as well, in addition to any tracking completed by the facility.

# Suspensions

The Ringette Ontario Board of Directors has asked that the 4 minutes unserved penalty suspension be stayed for this season.

Please continue reporting all fully served penalties (#14 Misconduct, Rough Play, Majors, Misconducts, Matches).

Suspensions will continue to apply for Misconducts, Matches, and players receiving 10 minutes or more in penalties in a game.

Want to come play with us?

What kinds of things does the Competitions Committee do?

- Set tournament formats, including formalization of FunFests
- Approve tournament schedules to ensure a consistency in events and fairness to all teams
- Manage player suspensions (and assist coaching when needed for coaching suspensions)
- Approve player substitutions following set rules and guidelines
- Jointly with the membership Director, approve 2-team contracts, following set rules and quidelines
- Offer support to the leagues as needed
- Support all Western Region tournaments (in person if possible, but in person is NOT a requirement)
- Oversee the year-end regional event

Competitions is looking for 1 or more interested individuals to join our Western Region "team". I am no longer living permanently in Western Region, and while I am here part time this year, the future is an unknown. My baby girl turns 25 next year and while she's still planning to play, this will be her 5th year in the 18+ division…and Jordan's daughter is coming to the end of her minor career. This is a great time for new volunteers to come forward and learn the ropes. I will commit to assisting anyone stepping into this role for at least one year! No experience required but it helps to be willing to enforce rules as needed and be willing to be the voice of the region where the committee has opportunities to recommend changes.

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