
MEMORANDUM

TO: BCSS ATHLETIC DIRECTORS
FROM: HARP SOHI, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR SPORT & EVENTS
SUBJECT: BCSS RUGBY DECLARATION
DATE: MARCH 4, 2024
CC: RUGBY SAC

Schools participating in Rugby will need to declare their teams for 7s or 15s (XV) competition by the team registration deadline on **April 10, 2024**. A student-athlete may **not** be registered on both teams. In most cases, this means a school will have either a 7s or XV's team. Schools with big enough programs may have both a XV's and 7s team, provided athletes are not used on both the XV and 7s rosters.

- Roster registration deadline – April 24, 2024
 - All athletes representing your school team in competition must be entered on your STARS roster by this date.
- Coaches need to be added to your STARS rosters by **April 24th**. Only coaches listed on the STARS roster will be permitted in the competition area at the provincial championship.
- **Properly registered Rugby XV teams are permitted to play in one Rugby 7s tournament prior to April 24, 2024.**

Should a school register and attempt to field a XV's team, and ultimately be unable to safely do so due to attrition or injury and wish to switch to a Rugby 7s team they may contact the BCSS office no later than April 24, 2024, to make that change, where the athletes can be moved to a 7s roster. **No changes will be permitted after April 24, 2024.**

Other Reminders:

- To prioritize safety contest days for student-athletes leading up to the provincials must be 26 or fewer.
- Coaches should keep a close eye on the number of competitions days per week (for 7s and /or XV's) to ensure player safety.
- When competing, all teams and athletes must wear school uniforms that adhere to the rules and guidelines of the sport of rugby, including specifications for numbers, crests, and other details. Failure to comply may result in penalties.
- The use of corporate logos on uniforms is limited to two logos per uniform, and each logo must be no larger than the size of a credit card.
- Since rugby 7s was a demonstration sport during the 2022-23 school year, transfers rules will not be applied for the 2023-24 school year.

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