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SECTION 5 - STATE CARNIVALS

(Amended 2006)

5.1 - GENERAL RULES

- 5.1.1** Carnivals shall be held annually at a time and place as determined by the Council of the New South Wales Primary Schools Sports Association.
- 5.1.2**
- Competing players shall be bona fide pupils of and enrolled at an affiliated school (Primary Eligibility) in New South Wales for at least one (1) month immediately preceding the date of the commencement of the carnival.
 - All team officials must be currently employed, permanent, temporary or casual teachers of the New South Wales Department of Education and Training or the relevant education authority of the invited Associations and be appointed by the relevant associations. Any other personnel must apply to and be approved by the NSWPSSA Executive.
 - State Carnivals shall be conducted on a Boys/Girls basis. The concept shall apply to all events for all children 8-13 years within the K-6 concept of New South Wales Primary School Sport,
 - Access may be provided for "accelerated learners", 11 years old or under attending secondary and/or central schools. It will be the responsibility of the feeder school, or nominated primary school, in liaison with the secondary school to provide the participation in NSWPSSA activities.
- 5.1.3** Each Region / invited Association may enter one (1) team. However, in the event of all Region / invited Association not participating in a State Carnival or where it is desired to have an even number of teams in the carnival draw, only one Region / invited Association may enter two (2) teams in any State Carnival at the invitation of the host Region / invited Association, subject to approval of that sport's sub-committee, and the Executive of the New South Wales Primary Schools Sports Association. In such cases the second team accepted from the one (1) Region / invited Association shall have full competition rights and members of that team shall be eligible for State selection if applicable.
- 5.1.4** State Carnivals may be held in the following sports:
- Athletics - Boys and Girls
 - Australian Football - Boys
 - Basketball - Boys and Girls
 - Cricket - Boys and Girls
 - Cross Country - Boys and Girls
 - Golf - Boys and Girls
 - Hockey - Boys and Girls
 - Netball - Girls
 - Rugby League - Boys
 - Rugby Union - Boys
 - Soccer - Boys and Girls

Softball - Boys and Girls
Swimming - Boys and Girls
Tennis - Boys and Girls
Touch - Boys and Girls

The highest possible level of competition is provided for girls in all competitions except for: Australian Football - Boys, Rugby League - Boys, and Rugby Union - Boys. Girls will have access to these sports, taking into account strength, stamina and physique.

5.1.5 At State Carnivals the number of members in Region / Association team shall be:

Athletics Boys - as per entry sheet
Athletics Girls as - per entry sheet
Australian Football Boys - 22
Basketball Boys - 10
Basketball Girls - 10
Cricket Boys - 12
Cricket Girls - 12
Cross Country Boys - as per entry sheet
Cross Country Girls - as per entry sheet
Golf Boys - as per entry sheet
Golf Girls - as per entry sheet
Hockey Boys - 13
Hockey Girls - 13
Netball Girls - 10
Rugby League Boys - 17
Rugby Union Boys - 22
Soccer Boys - 14
Soccer Girls - 14
Softball Boys - 12
Softball Girls - 12
Swimming Boys - as per entry sheet
Swimming Girls - as per entry sheet
Tennis Boys - 5
Tennis Girls -5
Touch Boys - 14
Touch Girls - 14

Note: Variations in team size due to unforeseen circumstances immediately prior to the event must be tabled at the Pre-Carnival Managers' Meeting.

5.1.6 For the purpose of identifying teams for State Carnivals, the numbers and colours are allocated as follows:

- 1 Sydney East -- Red / White / Royal Blue
- 2 Riverina -- Black / White
- 3 The Hunter -- Royal Blue / Gold
- 4 South Coast -- Royal Blue / Gold
- 5 Barrier (NSWPSSA Sub-Area) -- Gold / Red / Navy
- 6 North Coast -- Gold / Green
- 7 Sydney North -- Black / Red
- 8 Sydney West -- Blue / Black / Gold
- 9 Sydney South West -- Bottle Green / White
- 10 Western -- Red / Green
- 11 North West -- Sky Blue / Black
- 12 MacKillop -- Maroon / Sky
- 13 Polding -- Maroon / Gold
- 14 Combined Independent Schools -- Navy / Red / White

5.1.7 HOST REGION / ASSOCIATION

- (a) The New South Wales Primary Schools Sports Association will pay an amount to be determined at a meeting of the Council to the host Region / Association towards the running costs of each State Carnival except Swimming, Athletics and Cross Country.
- (b) The host Region / Association will issue invitations for all sports except Swimming, Athletics and Cross Country at least six (6) weeks prior to the carnival; such invitations will indicate:
 - (i) Final date for acceptance of invitation and team lists.
 - (ii) Venue for carnival.
 - (iii) Billeting arrangements proposed and date for final numbers.

- (iv) Proposed accommodation arrangements for Managers including telephone number and cost.
- (v) Suggested travel arrangements.
- (vi) Lunch arrangements.
- (vii) Carnival levy.
- (viii) Time, date and venue of the pre-carnival Managers meeting and official dinner.
- (c) Managers and Coaches will abide by the accommodation conditions provided.
- (d) Host Region / Association shall notify, prior to visiting teams departure for the carnival venue, the:
 - (i) Itinerary and venue.
 - (ii) Billet's names and addresses.
 - (iii) The draw.
 - (iv) Other relevant information.
- (e) Host Region / Association shall make all arrangements for grounds, first aid, lunches, necessary equipment, publicity, official dinner and qualified umpires or referees who shall be made aware of State Carnival Rules.
- (f) Host Region / Association shall, in the case of inclement weather, be responsible for determining whether grounds nominated are fit for play.
- (g) Host Region / Association shall convene all necessary meetings of Managers one of which must be held prior to the actual commencement of competition. Attendance, extenuating circumstances excepted, at meetings of Managers is compulsory for all Team Managers. At the pre-competition meeting of Managers, Carnival Rules and Regulations shall be discussed and local rules for the particular carnival formulated. Carnival rules cannot be changed at this meeting.
- (h) Host Region / Association shall be responsible for notifying newspapers of the results of matches each day of the carnival. Information to the press other than carnival results may only be released through the President (or nominee) of the New South Wales Primary Schools Sports Association or the Carnival Manager.
- (i) Host Region / Association shall be responsible for the submission of a written report by the date advised: to the Senior Education Officer, New South Wales Primary Schools Sports Association.

5.1.8 BILLETING

- (a) Regional Sports and invited Associations are to advise preliminary billeting requirements through the respective Team Advice Sheet distributed by the host Region / Association by the due date.
- (b) Any child who has requested a billet or failed to notify his/her Association that a billet was not required, must accept a billet.
- (c) Any alteration to billeting requirements prior to a carnival/championship must be requested through the representative's Area/invited Association.
- (d) Final billeting requirements are to be submitted to the host area ten (10) days prior to the commencement of the carnival/championship. No alterations to billeting will be negotiated after 12.00(noon) of the Friday preceding the commencement of the carnival.
- (e) No team member may withdraw from his/her billet at any time throughout the carnival/championship without the knowledge and approval of their team manager and the host Area / Association.
- (f) The penalty for failing to abide by the above rules may include disqualification of the offending representative from the carnival/championship.
- (g) Team members being billeted and the Region / Association team manager must arrive together at the billeting point at the time and place agreed by the host and competing Region / invited Associations.

5.1.9 PLAYING CONDITIONS

In all State Carnivals, except Athletics, Swimming, Cross Country, Cricket, Soccer and Rugby Union where points are allocated to a team, the system to be used shall be:

- Win - 3 points
- Draw - 2 points
- Loss - 1 point
- Forfeit - 0 points

5.1.10 CONDUCT OF COMPETITION

A State Carnival may be conducted in one of two ways as follows:

- (a) **FULL ROUND ROBIN**
 - (i) Where there are seven (7) teams or less a full round robin will be played.
 - (ii) Each team shall play each other team at least once.
 - (iii) The team scoring the highest number of competition points shall be the winner.

- (iv) Where a complete round robin is played and two teams or more finish in equal first place they will be declared joint premiers.
- (v) Where two teams or more finish level on points for second or lower places, places shall be determined on percentages, i.e.:

$$\frac{\text{points scored for}}{\text{points scored against}} \times 100 = \dots\dots\dots\%$$

OR

(b) IN POOLS

- (i) Where there are more than seven (7) teams a two (2) pool carnival will be played, except where rules for individual sports contradict.
- (ii) The competing teams shall be drawn equally into two (2) pools. Placings to be decided on previous years results at that age level. For example: Pools:

A	1	4	5	8	9	12
B	2	3	6	7	10	11
- (iii) In each pool each team shall play each other at least once.
- (iv) In the event of teams finishing level on points in a pool, the placings shall be determined on percentages, except where specifically indicated in the sport concerned.

RULES OF PERCENTAGES

Applies as follows:

$$\frac{\text{points scored for}}{\text{points scored against}} \times 100 = \dots\dots\dots\%$$

- (v) Once the placings have been decided in the two pools, two semi-finals will be played: Winner Pool A v Runner-Up Pool B. Winner Pool B v Runner-Up Pool A. The winning teams of each semi-final will meet in the final. In the event of a drawn final, joint premiers will be declared.
- (vi) The losers of the semi-final shall meet to decide 3rd and 4th place in the carnival and the other teams shall play as follows to decide the remaining places: 3rd in each pool will meet to decide 5th and 6th places; 4th in each pool will meet to decide 7th and 8th places; 5th in each pool will meet to decide 9th and 10th places; 6th in each pool will meet to decide 11th and 12th places.

Note: CRICKET: The losers of the semi-finals shall be declared joint 3rd placegetters. The method of determining pool placements for teams placed equal 3rd for the following year shall be determined by: placement in pool; points; and quotient.

- (vii) **DRAWN SEMI-FINALS**
See rules for individual sports

5.1.11 PROTESTS

Refer to individual sports.

5.1.12 COACHING BY TEAM MANAGEMENT

Coaching in the designated game intervals (ie quarter and half time,. specific time-outs as in Basketball), throughout the 'unlimited interchange' or where such is part of the rules of the game eg Softball is permissible. Any such coaching must be appropriate and be conducted within the specified technical area by the Team Management

In the sports of Golf and Tennis coaching is only permissible prior to the commencement of each match.

Only the Team Manager or medical adviser shall be allowed on the field of play when specifically called for.

5.1.13 Each sport shall adopt the game rules that are accepted by that sport's governing body in New South Wales, together with any modifications as adopted by the New South Wales Primary Schools Sports Association.

5.1.14 TROPHIES/AWARDS

- a) An existing trophy (as approved by the New South Wales Primary Schools Sports Association) for the winning team together with New South Wales Primary Schools Sports Association pennants (winners and runners-up) for the individual members of the teams shall be the awards at any carnival conducted under the auspices of the New South Wales Primary Schools Sports Association.

Note: This does not apply to Athletics, Cross Country, Golf and Swimming.

- b) At the carnivals involving team sports no individual awards will be presented for performance.

- c) Appreciation pennants and appreciation gifts may be awarded at each State Carnival. The distribution of these shall be arranged by the Senior Education Officer, New South Wales Primary Schools Sports Association, in consultation with the Carnival Manager.

5.1.15 ALTERATION TO RULES

Alterations to the State Carnival rules should be effected in the year preceding the competition except in the case of Cricket, Softball, Golf and Athletics which may be effected at the second meeting of the year of competition.

5.1.16 STATE TEAMS

- a) Pupils must compete at the relevant State Carnival in order to be eligible for selection in that State Team. The student must be representing their Region / Association. (Invitation teams while not called such are representing their Region / Association and are therefore eligible for State selection.)
- b) State teams are selected according to rules as laid down by the Australian Schools Sports Council.
- c) (i) At the pre-competition meeting of Managers, State selectors shall be elected. If in attendance, the State Coach shall be, by virtue of the position, a member of the selection panel.
- (ii) It is the responsibility of the Selection Panel and/or Convener to: Prior to selection ensure all team managers have identified ineligible competitors. Competitors who turn 13 in the year of competition are ineligible for selection.
- (iii) Prior to the announcement of the State Team the Selection Panel in consultation with Team Managers and Convener must check that the nominated members meet the necessary criteria.
It is the responsibility of the Selection Panel and/or Convener to provide the full name, school and area of each student selected to the official nominated to announce the State Team.
- d) A levy shall be imposed for all team members taking part in Interstate Exchanges.
- e) The New South Wales Primary Schools Sports Association will not be responsible for the cost of transportation of children involved in State selection trials, nor their costs involved in State teams assembling in Sydney or designated centres.
- f) The following is to be listed as a carnival rule in the program of any State Carnival where a State team is selected.
"Interstate competitions are played under the rules of the Australian Schools Sports Council. These rules state that the age limit of a competitor is 12 years in the year of the competition. Since we have some 13 year old children in our Primary Schools, we allow them to compete for their Area at this open age carnival. 13 year old children are ineligible for selection in the 12 year old State team."
- g) Discussions on candidates under consideration for State team selection during a State Carnival are CONFIDENTIAL. Under no circumstances are personnel involved in a State Carnival to indicate to team members, parents, etc., that a certain child is under consideration for a position in the State team.

5.1.17 ABANDONED STATE CARNIVALS - CONTINGENCY PLANS

- a) If a State Carnival has to be aborted after the carnival has commenced, the carnival placings and the method of selection of a State team shall be determined by the Team Managers at a meeting chaired by the Convener/Carnival Manager in consultation with the President of the New South Wales Primary Schools Sports Association, or his/her nominee.
- b) If at any time conditions should arise causing a State Carnival to be abandoned the decisions for such actions shall be determined by the President of the New South Wales Primary Schools Sports Association or his/her nominee in discussion with the Carnival Manager in a manner that they determine will cause least disadvantage to competing teams and individual children.
- c) Notice of proposed actions will be made with maximum media coverage and fax messages sent to Head Office and Area Offices.

5.1.18 RESPONSIBILITY SWIMMING, ATHLETICS, CROSS COUNTRY and GOLF

- a) The Convener through the State Association shall issue invitations to compete at least eight weeks prior to the carnival and shall indicate:
- (i) Closing date for entries on the entry form,
- (ii) Venue for carnival.
- (iii) Date/s and starting time/s of carnival.
- (iv) Conditions of entry.
- (v) Entry costs, e.g. admission charges to pool or ground.
- (vi) Time, Date and venue of the Managers meeting and official dinner.

- b) The Convener shall be responsible for:
- (i) Ground or pool hire, first aid, lunches, necessary equipment, publicity, the official dinner and referees who shall be made aware of State Carnival Rules.
 - (ii) In the case of inclement weather, determining whether the carnival shall proceed.
 - (iii) Convening all necessary meetings of Managers and/or officials.
 - (iv) Notifying the press of each day's results at the carnival. Information to the press other than carnival results may only be released through the President (or nominee) of the New South Wales Primary Schools Sports Association.

5.1.19 STATE GRANTS/SPONSORSHIPS

All requests for assistance from sporting bodies or sponsors must be sent through the Senior Education Officer, New South Wales Primary Schools Sports Association, and all grants should be received through this Association.

5.1.20 SERIOUS INCIDENT

In all State Carnivals when an incident of a serious nature occurs the following people should be immediately notified.

- School Principal(s)
- Relevant Area Sports Officer(s)
- Relevant NSWPSA Convener
- Executive Officer NSWPSA
- Relevant District Superintendents.

A serious incident report is available from the Executive Officer, NSWPSA or the Region / Association Sports Officer.

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5.2 – ATHLETICS STATE CARNIVAL RULES – Boys and Girls

(Amended July 2006)

Refer to General State Carnival Rules.

- 5.2.1** (a) Each Region / Association is eligible to enter three (3) competitors per event. Additional entries are considered where special circumstances occur.
- (b) All competitors must compete in proper area/association uniform.

5.2.2 AGE DIVISIONS AND EVENTS

Age divisions are:

8 years, 9 years, 10 years, 11 years, 12 years, 13 years

Senior: 11 years, 12 years, 13 years.

Junior: 8 years, 9 years, 10 years.

A competitor whose significant birthday occurs during the current year is eligible for that age event only.

No competitor shall enter both junior and senior events, nor in two age events, including relays.

Events are:

TRACK

100 Metres: 8 years, 9 years, 10 years, 11 years, 12 years, 13 years

200 Metres: Junior, 11 years, 12/13 years

800 Metres: Junior, 11 years, 12/13 years

4 x 100 Metres Relays: Junior, Senior, Nigel Bagley, Norman & Elizabeth Austen

Students with a Disability: Junior 100m, Senior 100m, Junior 200m, Senior 200m

FIELD

High Jump: Junior, 11 years, 12/13 years

Long Jump: Junior, 11 years, 12/13 years

Shot Put: Junior (2 kg), 11 years (2 kg), 12/13 years (3 kg)

Discus: Junior (500gms), 11 years (750gms), 12/13 years (750gms)

Students with a Disability: Junior Shot Put, Senior Shot Put, Junior Long Jump, Senior Long Jump

Events are conducted in boys divisions and girls divisions.

5.2.3 MARSHALLING

- (a) All competitors in an event must be at the marshalling point before the first heat is run.
- (b) Competitors must wear their allotted number.

5.2.4 STARTING AND LANE DRAW

- (a) **LANE DRAW:** In the first round the lane draw order shall be drawn by lot. For the semi-final and final round, competitors shall be ranked in accordance with their positions and times in the previous round. (See IAAF Rule 166.4). Competitors must occupy the arranged positions regardless of any withdrawals.
- (b) **METHOD:** The method of starting shall be "On your mark - set - gun". Allowance must be made for competitors using a crouch start.

- (c) All competitors except children with a disability must use a crouch start for 100m, 200m, and relay events. Children of 11 years and over must use starting blocks. Children of 8, 9, or 10 years and children with a disability are permitted to use starting blocks however they are not compulsory. Only starting blocks supplied at the Sydney Athletic Centre are permitted to be used.
- (d) **800 METRES** The start for the heats and finals of the 800 metres will be in lanes with the heats having up to two (2) competitors per lane.
- (e) **FALSE STARTS:** Any athlete making a false start shall be warned. Any athlete(s) making further false starts in the race shall be disqualified from the race.

5.2.5 PLACEGETTERS

- (a) At the completion of each race competitors must return to the finish line.
- (b) Photo-finish and electric timing will determine all placing's and times.
- (c) Should photo-finish equipment malfunction then placegetters shall receive from the chief judge tokens denoting place gained. These must then be taken to the track recorder.

5.2.6 FINALISTS

Semi - Finalists & Finalists for track events will be determined in the following manner (this may be altered at the discretion of the Carnival Manager should the circumstances arise):

- (a) **100 METRES:** Heats to Semi-finals 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th from each of the heats plus the next fastest times to complete the field. Semi-finals to Finals 1st, 2nd and 3rd from each Semi-final plus the next fastest times to complete the field. It is intended that there will be 10 in the Final unless there has been an upheld protest in the Semi-finals or there has been a tie for 10th fastest.
- (b) **200 METRES AND RELAYS:** Heats to Semi-Finals 1st and 2nd place from each of the heats plus the next fastest times to complete the field. Semi-Finals to Finals 1st, 2nd and 3rd place from each Semi-Final plus the next fastest times to complete the field.
- (c) **800 METRES:** 1st and 2nd place from each heat plus the next fastest times to complete the field of nine (9).
- (d) Where finals have to be abandoned placings will be determined by the times recorded in the heats.

5.2.7 OFFICIALS ON DUTY

Only the officials on duty at the time of the event and competitors shall be allowed on the enclosure. At the conclusion of the event competitors must leave.

NOTE: Parents, coaches and unauthorised persons are not allowed on the ground. Once competitors are in the hands of the officials controlling the event, they shall not receive any coaching or advice.

PENALTY: Disqualification of the competitor involved.

5.2.8 REFEREE

Rules to be observed shall be in accordance with the IAAF Handbook except where stated otherwise. The referee shall be the sole arbiter in points under dispute.

5.2.9 PROTESTS

As per IAAF Rule 146 (1), (2), (3), (5), (6) with the following variations:

1. Protests concerning the status of an athlete to participate in a competition must be made, prior to the commencement of such competition, to the Technical Delegate(s). Once the Technical Delegate(s) make a decision, there shall be a right of appeal to the Jury of Appeal.
3. Any protest shall, in the first instance, be made orally to the Referee by the Team Manager (who shall be a teacher).
5. The relevant Team Manager (who must be a teacher) only, may make a written protest to the jury if dissatisfied with the referee's decision. The protest may only be submitted on the supplied protest form and must be submitted within thirty (30) minutes of the announcement of the referee's decision.

The Jury of Appeal shall be appointed by the Competition Director.

5.2.10 RELAYS

- (a) The following events will be held Senior Boys Senior Girls Junior Boys Junior Girls Nigel Bagley Trophy Norm and Elizabeth Austen Trophy
- (b) Relays shall be run on a circular track (4 x 100 metres).
- (c) A team shall consist of 4 runners and a baton shall be carried.
- (d) Lines shall be drawn 10 metres before each take-over zone and the person receiving the baton may stand anywhere within the area, i.e. members of the relay team other than the first runner may commence running not more than 10 metres before the "take-over zone" of 20 metres. The baton

changes, however, must take place within the take-over zone. The take-over zone is 10 metres in front and 10 metres behind each starting point.

- (e) (i) All runners must remain in their allotted lane until all teams are clear of the change-over area.
- (ii) If the baton is dropped it shall be recovered by the athlete who dropped it. If it drops out of the team's lane the competitor may leave the lane provided they don't lessen the distance to be covered and no other athlete is impeded.

(f) **TEAM ELIGIBILITY**

- (i) In each relay event each school may enter one team.
- (ii) A boys team must consist of 4 boys from ONE school.
- (iii) A girls team must consist of 4 girls from ONE school.

OR

- (iv) An Association may nominate a composite team in the BOYS and/or GIRLS relays. A composite team may be entered from a Zone providing the total enrolment of the schools involved does not exceed 250 (K-6) pupils.
- (v) **The Nigel Bagley Trophy:** The Nigel Bagley Relay must include students from schools with a total enrolment of more than 25 pupils but not exceeding 54 pupils. The combination of boys and girls in each team to be decided by the individual school BUT all children in the team must be enrolled at the same school. The classification of the enrolment will be determined by the February Staff Return.
- (vi) **The Norm & Elizabeth Austen Trophy:** The Norm & Elizabeth Austen Relay must include students from schools with a total school enrolment not exceeding 25. The combination of boys and girls to form the team is the school's responsibility. ALL children in the team must be enrolled at the same school. The classification of the enrolment will be determined by the February Staff Return.

- (g) Lanes are to be drawn for semi-finals and finals.

5.2.11 EQUIPMENT AND FOOTWEAR

Competitors must use the equipment provided by the Association or the Sydney Athletic Centre.

All competitors must wear footwear. Spiked shoes are permitted except in the 800 metre event.

When spiked shoes are worn the maximum length for all track events and long jump is 7mm. For high jump it is 9mm.

5.2.12 FIELD EVENTS

In all field events except the High Jump, each athlete shall be allowed three trials and the eight athletes with the best valid performances shall be allowed three additional trials.

Competitors shall use the equipment supplied by the Association, refer 5.2.3.

Ties

In field events, except for High Jump, the second best performance of the athletes tying shall resolve the tie. Then if necessary, the third best, and so on.

5.2.13 HIGH JUMP

- (a) Competitors may have three (3) attempts in rotation at each height. Three (3) consecutive failures regardless of the height at which any of such failures occur, disqualify from further jumping except in the case of a tie for first place.
- (b) The period allowed for a trial shall be: more than 3 competitors - 1 minute, 2 or 3 - competitors 1.5 minutes, 1 competitor - 3 minutes. Consecutive trials - 2 minutes.
- (c) If an athlete returns from another event re-entry shall be at the existing bar height.
- (d) In the event of a tie the best record on count back shall decide the place winners.

5.2.14 QUALIFYING DISTANCES/HEIGHTS

These will be determined by the Convener each year.

5.2.15 POINT SCORE

The point score shall be as follows:

TRACK EVENTS

100, 200m:	Heats	Semi Finals	Finals
1st Place	6 Points	6 Points	12 Points
2nd Place	5 Points	5 Points	10 Points
3rd Place	4 Points	4 Points	8 Points
4th Place	3 Points	3 Points	6 Points
5th Place	2 Points	2 Points	4 Points
6th Place	1 Point	1 Point	2 Points

Relays:	Heats	Semi Finals	Finals
1st Place	12 Points	12 Points	24 Points
2nd Place	10 Points	10 Points	20 Points
3rd Place	8 Points	8 Points	16 Points
4th Place	6 Points	6 Points	12 Points
5th Place	4 Points	4 Points	8 Points
6th Place	2 Points	2 Points	4 Points
800m:	Heats		Finals
1st Place	12 Points		24 Points
2nd Place	10 Points		20 Points
3rd Place	8 Points		16 Points
4th Place	6 Points		12 Points
5th Place	4 Points		8 Points
6th Place	2 Points		4 Points

5.2.16 QUEEN ELIZABETH 11 TROPHY- Most Outstanding Athlete

The following criteria be used to determine the most outstanding athlete at the Annual NSWPSA Athletics Championships. That points be allocated to competitors who finish 1st, 2nd, 3rd in their respective Finals events. That the points allocated be

1st Place - 10 Points

2nd Place - 6 Points

3rd Place - 2 Points

plus an additional 6 points for setting a new record or an additional 3 points for equalling a record. The establishing of a new record or equalling of a record will earn points in heats, semi-finals and finals.

5.2.17 THE COLGATE CUP

The Colgate Cup (or its equivalent) be awarded to the school that achieves the most points at the NSWPSA Athletics Carnival.

5.2.18 DISCUS - SAFETY ISSUES

For discus activities the following safety strategies must be employed

- (a) All discuses, must be of a rubber compound not wooden/metal.
- (b) Ensure discuses being returned to the throwing area are carried.
- (c) For group instruction in the standing throw ensure:
 - throwers are at least 5 metres apart
 - left handed throwers are placed on the left side of the group.
- (d) For group instruction in the turning throw:
 - ensure the turn is practiced with modified equipment or without a discus
 - where discus is to be thrown using the turn, ensure only one individual throws at the time
 - where throwing takes place, ensure other students are behind protective cages/barriers, well clear of the wire
 - where no protective cage/barrier is available, ensure other students are at least 20 metres behind and to the non-throwing side.

Protective cages or improvised barriers are recommended when using the turn (eg. fence, hockey nets).

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5.4 - BASKETBALL STATE CARNIVAL RULES

(Amended 2006)

5.4.1 Refer to General State Carnival Rules.

- 5.4.2**
- (a) Teams will be seeded according to last year's State Carnival Results
Pool 1 -- Teams 1, 4, 5, 8, 9, 12, 13
Pool 2 -- Teams 2, 3, 6, 7, 10, 11, 14
 - (b) A full round robin draw will operate with each team in a pool playing each other at least once.
 - (c) Once placing have been decided in the two pools, two semi finals will be played:
Winner Pool A v Runner up Pool B
Winner Pool B v Runner up Pool A
The winning team in each semi final will meet in the final. In the event of a drawn final, joint winners will be declared.
 - (d) The losers of the semi-final shall meet to decide 3rd and 4th place in the carnival and the other teams shall play as follows to decide the remaining places;
3rd in each pool will meet to decide 5th and 6th places
4th in each pool will meet to decide 7th and 8th places
5th in each pool will meet to decide 9th and 10th places
6th in each pool will meet to decide 11th and 12th places
7th in each pool will meet to decide 13th and 14th places

5.4.3 Players must wear their Region / Association uniforms with shirts numbered 4 to 15 inclusive (front and back) with no duplication of numbers.

5.4.4 The match ball will be of leather composition and shall be a size 5 ball.

5.4.5 Teams shall be present at court side prepared to take the court at least ten (10) minutes before the match is due to start, or shall risk forfeiting the match.

5.4.6 Games shall be of four ten (10) minute quarters with a minimum warm up time of five (5) minutes. Quarter time and three-quarter breaks will be two (2) minutes with half time three (3) minutes.

The clock will stop in the first half for all time outs, injured players and fouled out players. In the last three (3) minutes the clock will stop for every whistle.
Each team is permitted one time-out per quarter.

5.4.7 Region / Association teams shall consist of ten (10) team players with all nominated players taking the court during every match.

- 5.4.8** The rules of play shall be those of the New South Wales Basketball Association except that at the Girls State Carnival free throws will be taken from a line midway between the regular free throw line and the bottom of the jump ball circle.
At the Boys State Carnival free throws will be taken from the regulation free throw line.
- 5.4.9** The Three Point Line Rule is to be omitted for all New South Wales Primary Schools Sports Association Championships.
- 5.4.10 DRAWN SEMI-FINAL**
(a) Extra time shall be five (5) minutes fully timed.
(b) Five (5) minute periods of extra time shall be played until a result is obtained.
- 5.4.11 PROTESTS**
Protests must be lodged, in writing, by the Team Manger (who must be a teacher), to the Carnival Manager within fifteen (15) minutes of the conclusion of the match.
- 5.4.12 A JUDICIAL COMMITTEE**
A Judicial Committee of three (3) shall be formed at the Managers' Pre-carnival Meeting to deal with any protests or with any player reported by an umpire.
- 5.4.13 PROTEST COMMITTEE**
A Protest Committee consisting of the Carnival Manger and two (2) people elected at the Managers' Pre-carnival Meeting will hear all protests.
- 5.4.14 STATIC ZONE DEFENCE**
(a) Static zone defences (ie any defence played in the half court which does incorporate normal man on man defensive principles) shall not be permitted. For this purpose, trapping defences, which rotate back to man on man defensive principles shall be acceptable. When monitoring the no zone rule, observers are reminded that if there is doubt regarding the style of defence being played, the benefit of that doubt must go to the defence.
In others words, if you are not sure about the style of defence being played, it is not to be classified as a zone. Where static defence is used, the referee is to issue one warning to the coach and there after a technical foul will be issued for each infringement.
The results in two (2) free throws and possession to the non offending team.
(b) A committee of three (3) shall be formed at the Managers' Pre-carnival Meeting to assist with the enforcement of the Static Zone Defence Rule.
- 5.4.15 REFEREES**
Each Region / Association attending the State Carnival may bring one (1) young referee. This referee would be:
(a) Strong Level 1-0 official;
(b) Selected by Region / Association and travel with the team;
(c) Would travel at the same cost as the players.
Officials showing strong performances may be selected to represent the NSWPSA at the School Sport Australia Exchange.
Officials should take part in Region / Association trials.
It is recommended that appropriate approval be sought for the young referee to travel with the team.
- 5.4.16** In the event of the teams finishing level on points in a pool and round robins, the placing will be determined for and against in the games between the tied teams. If placings are still equal, Section 5.1.10 (iv) shall apply.
- 5.4.17** At NSWPSA Basketball Carnivals, where the host Region does not supply an adult scorer or supervisor, and if a bye situation allows it, teams with a bye will be responsible for the running of the scorebench under the direct supervision of the team manager.
- 5.4.18** The selection committee shall be made up of the State Coach, State Convener and a coach/manager representing each of the two pools to be elected at the Managers' Pre-carnival Meeting.
All other Region / Association coach/managers will be consulted throughout the selection process

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SECTION 5.5a - CRICKET STATE CARNIVAL RULES: - Boys

(Amended August 2006)

- 5.5a.1** Refer to General State Carnival Rules.
- 5.5a.2** All players shall wear cricket attire.
- 5.5a.3** The matches shall be played under the current Laws of Cricket and the experimental laws of Cricket in Australia subject to any variations herein.
- No fieldsman is allowed to field within ten (10) metres of the batsman on strike except those fielding within an area from point to wicketkeeper on the off side of the wicket
 - Any delivery that passes above the shoulder of a batsman in his normal batting stance shall be called a NO BALL.
 - A team will consist of eleven (11) players, however, a batting twelfth (12th) man can be named prior to the commencement of the game to enable twelve (12) players to participate in the match. This player may bowl and keep wicket but not bat. The umpire will be informed. If a team has thirteen (13) players the thirteenth (13th) man shall be nominated prior to the toss and his name entered into the scorebook. This player may field but shall not bat or bowl. Only one player may be interchanged at a drinks break, or at the 10th, 20th, 30th, 40th overs. Interchanged players are permitted to bowl immediately upon their return to the field. Drinks breaks will be taken at the end of the 17th and 34th overs.
 - Each bowler may bowl eight (8) overs only.
 - In the event the number of overs in an innings being reduced, the maximum overs per bowler shall be determined by the number of overs to be received by the batting team, divided by four (4). (Fraction to be ignored).
 - In all programs, games of thirty (30) overs or less and practice sessions conducted by the NSWPSSA a maximum of three (3) consecutive overs per spell shall be allowed. The only exception will be for the State Carnival which involves fifty (50) over games. Here a maximum daily allocation of eight (8) overs will be allowed. These must be bowled in no more than four (4) overs per spell. The break between spells will be the equivalent number of overs bowled from the same end as the bowlers immediately concluded spell.
 - Penalty runs in Law 42.7 do not apply.
- 5.5a.4**
- Cricket balls are to be supplied by the State Association and are to be a 142g two-piece leather ball of recognised brand.
 - Grounds are to be arranged by the convening Area / Association Sports Officer. All matches are to be played on turf where possible. Where covers are available, they should be used. Synthetic or concrete covered with matting are to be used if turf wickets are unavailable due to inclement weather or unforeseen circumstances.

- (c) The host Area / Association, where possible, is to supply some form of portable score board, showing runs scored, plus the number of overs completed.
- (d) The convening centre shall make every endeavour to arrange for the attendance of a qualified ambulance officer at all matches.
- (e) No team official, umpire or spectator shall coach a team whether by voice, signal or any method while a match is in progress.
- (f) Team managers may accompany drinks on to the field and speak to their players.

5.5a.5 HOURS OF PLAY

- (a) First session:
 - (i) A minimum of fifty (50) overs if the team batting first is not dismissed.
 - or (ii) Three (3) hours duration if the team batting first is dismissed in less than forty seven (47) overs.
- Appropriate drink breaks are to be taken.
- The lunch break is to be twenty five (25) minutes duration.
- (b) Second session:
 - (i) A minimum of fifty (50) overs where the team batting second is not dismissed
 - or (ii) Three (3) hours duration with appropriate drinks breaks taken

5.5a.6 DIVIDED OVERS

Each team, unless previously dismissed, shall have its first innings compulsorily closed at the conclusion of the fiftieth (50th) over. In the event of both teams concluding their first (1st) innings, whether compulsory or otherwise, before the time set for the close of play, the match shall continue under normal conditions until that time.

In the first (1st) innings of each team, the scorers shall notify the umpires by clear signal at the end of the forty-fifth (45th) over, and the umpires, in turn, shall notify the batsmen and the captain of the fielding side. If a bowler is unable, for any reason, to complete an over, the remaining balls of that over shall be bowled immediately by any other bowler, provided that such part of an over shall be counted as an over for the purpose of Law 24 of the "The Laws of Cricket".

5.5a.7 LATE STARTS

If a match cannot commence within sixty (60) minutes of the set starting time owing to weather or the state of the ground and it not being possible for each side to receive its full quota of fifty (50) overs the number of overs shall be reduced by the formula of a reduction of one (1) over per team for every six (6) minutes of time lost. A match shall not commence unless it is possible for each side to receive at least twenty-five (25) overs in its first innings. Upon commencement of the match the number of overs shall remain unalterable.

In the event of conditions preventing the team batting second from receiving its quota of overs, the match shall be decided on the comparison of the RUN RATES OF BOTH TEAMS. These run rates are calculated by dividing the total runs scored by the total number of overs bowled.

For the purpose of the RUN RATE calculations ONLY, each legitimate ball bowled shall count as one sixth (1/6) of an over.

Where a team has been dismissed or has declared its innings closed before receiving its full quota of overs its RUN RATE shall be calculated by dividing the total runs scored by the quota of overs it should have received. All this is provided a minimum of twenty five (25) overs has been completed by each side. A team with the better RUN RATE shall be the winner.

5.5a.8 CHANGES OF INNINGS

Should an innings close within twenty (20) minutes of the time set for an adjournment, that adjournment shall be taken immediately at the close of the innings, and the normal ten (10) minutes interval between innings shall not then be allowed.

5.5a.9 Days 1, 2, 3 and 4

The teams are seeded 1-14 on the previous years results and on Day 1 - 1 v 8, 2 v 9, 3 v 10, 4 v 11, 5 v 12, 6 v 13, 7 v 14.

At the conclusion of Day 1, the seven winning teams and the losing team with the highest quotient move to the right of the draw. Remaining teams (6) move to the left. Following Day 2 and Day 3 all winning teams continue to the right and the remaining teams with one or more losses continue to the left. On Day 4 the losing semi finalists will play off for the positions 3 and 4 and the remaining teams will play off for positions 5 to 14.

On Days 2 and 3 and on both sides of the draw teams will be seeded 1 v 8, 2 v 7, 3 v 6, 4 v 5 etc, and on Day 4 matches will be played 5 v 6, 7 v 8 etc, according to the following criteria:-

a) Points b) Win/Loss Ratio c) Quotients. Written results of each game must be submitted to the Convener/Carnival Manager before quotients are finally determined.

NOTE: However, if two (2) teams have previously met, the Carnival Manager may adjust the order so that those teams play against other teams using the criteria as presented above. On Day 4 this may result in four (4) teams playing off for two (2) positions eg, 5 v 8 and 6 v 7 playing off for positions 5 and 6.

5.5a.10 PROTESTS

Must be lodged, in writing, by the Team Manager (who must be a teacher) to the Carnival Manager within fifteen (15) minutes of the conclusion of the match.

5.5a.11 JUDICIAL COMMITTEE

A Judicial Committee of three (3) shall be formed at the Manager's Pre-Carnival Meeting to deal with any protests or with any player reported by an umpire.

5.5a.12 POINTS SCORE

- First innings win - 6
- Loss on first innings - 1
- Draw for any reason - 3
- Tie on first innings – 3
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5.5a.13 PROTECTIVE APPAREL

Batsmen must wear a properly fitting batting helmet. It is also recommended that the wicketkeeper wear a helmet when standing up to the stumps.

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SECTION 5.6 - CROSS COUNTRY STATE CARNIVAL

(Amended 2006)

Refer to General State Carnival Rules.

5.6.1 The Carnival is to be held in Term Three (3) each year.

- 5.6.2**
- (a) Each Region / Association may enter a maximum of six (6) competitors per event. A Region / Association team event will be conducted in each age division from the best of the four (4) runners.
 - (b) Events for Students with a Disability (SWD) are conducted at the Primary Cross Country Carnival. Each Region / Association may enter two (2) students with a disability in the following events: Boys 8/9 Years, Girls 8/9 Years, Boys 10 Years, Girls 10 Years, Boys 11 Years, Girls 11 Years, Boys 12 Years, Girls 12 Years, Boys 13 Years and Girls 13 Years.
 - (c) Entry Criteria - Students with a Disability.
To be eligible to compete a SWD must meet the following criteria.
 - Each Region will be eligible to enter two (2) competitors per event, per gender to compete at the State Carnival.
 - All SWD's at the primary level will be running with their peers over the same distance. ie 8/9 and 10 years - 2 km, 11, 12 and 13 years - 3 km.
 - Each SWD must compete in Regional Uniform.
 - The qualifying time for SWD's is Primary Boys and Girls 8/9, 10 years - 13 minutes, 11, 12 and 13 years - 18 minutes.
 - Each SWD must complete the classification documentation for their disability category (prior to the State Carnival) and forward to the Regional Sports Officer prior to the State Carnival.
 - Placings for Primary events will be determined using the multidisability formula ie, comparing the athletes time to the 5000m time for their classification and determining the percentage. All percentages for all disability classes will be calculated and the highest percentage wins, second highest second etc.

NOTE: Eligible students must choose prior to competing whether they will compete as an SWD or as an abled bodies athlete. If competing as an SWD they must complete the classification documentation.

Eligible for Primary

Intellectually Disabled - ID (T20)

Hearing Impaired - HI (T01)

Physical Impairment (PI) This will be restricted to Cerebral Palsy - CP 7 and CP 8 or Amputee T45 or

Visually Impaired - T13.

5.6.3 LIST OF EVENTS

Girls 8/9 years	-	2000 metres
Boys 8/9 years	-	2000 metres
Girls 10 years	-	2000 metres
Boys 10 years	-	2000 metres
Girls 11 years	-	3000 metres
Boys 11 years	-	3000 metres
Girls 12 years	-	3000 metres
Boys 12 years	-	3000 metres
Girls 13 years	-	3000 metres
Boys 13 years	-	3000 metres

** The distances run are to remain in accordance with A.S.S.C. distances/standards.

5.6.4 JUDGING/RECORDING

- (a) Judges give a place card to each competitor as they finish.
- (b) Competitors line up in finishing order and proceed to the recorders.
- (c) Recorder one (1) records the place of each competitor (in his/her Region / Association column on "the pointscore sheet"). The best four (4) places for each region are totalled to arrive at the team pointscore (and hence place) for each age division.
Age division pointscores are totalled to determine overall pointscores and carnival placings.
- (d) Recorder two (2) records the name and Region / Association of the 1st seven (7) placegetters on "the major placings sheet".
- (e) Competitors retain their own place card as a record of their finishing position. Team managers will be given participation certificates to hand on to team members.
- (f) The first seven (7) placegetters in the 10, 11, and 12 divisions will be retained by the "two (2) outfitters" to be measured for state team apparel.

Note: (i) The first five (5) placegetters qualify as state team members. The sixth and seventh (6 - 7) are reserves and are measured in case of withdrawals.
(ii) There is no 8/9 year division at the interstate level. Children are not permitted to compete out of their age group.

5.6.5 SCORING

- (a) Points are scored against each team for positions finished.
Note: The best (lowest) four (4) places only are counted towards the team point score.
- (b) The Region / Association with the lowest aggregate in each division will be Champion Region / Association in that Division.
- (c) The Region / Association with the lowest aggregate over all divisions will be the Overall Champion Region / Association.
- (d) Competitors who fail to finish receive last place plus one (1).

5.6.6 PROGRAM

Program and Timetable to be at the Convener's discretion.

5.6.7 MEDALLIONS

Medallions are to be given as follows:

- Individual Events: 1st, 2nd, 3rd
- Team Events, 1st, 2nd, 3rd (to all six (6) team members)

Note: Where a tie occurs in a teams event placing, the team that has all their four (4) runners in first shall be used to decide the placings.

5.6.8 RULES

- (a) Footwear must be worn by all competitors. Spiked Footwear is not permitted due to safety reasons related to a pack start.
- (b) No pushing, tripping or interference with other competitors is allowed.
- (c) No competitor is to receive assistance or refreshments during the race.
- (d) All competitors must compete in Region / Association uniforms.
- (e) The Carnival Manager retains the right to alter the program if need be.
- (f) The NSWPSA retains the right to include additional entries.

- (g) Protests must be made in writing by the Team Manager and handed to the Carnival Manager within ten (10) minutes of the completion of the relevant event.
- (h) Asthma medication is permitted to be taken during the course of the competitor's event.
Protests will be heard by the Protest Committee consisting of the Carnival Manager and two (2) others elected at the Pre-Carnival meeting of Managers and Officials.

5.6.9 THE START

The announcer shall call competitors to the marshals who shall line competitors across a single line. Starting command shall be:

'On Your Marks' followed by a firing of the starter's gun.

A second firing shall indicate a recall.

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SECTION 5.7 -- GOLF STATE CARNIVAL RULES - Boys and Girls

(Amended 2006)

5.7.1 Refer to General State Carnival Rules.

5.7.2 ELIGIBILITY

- (a) Must be nine (9) to thirteen (13) years old.
- (b) Must be able to have or be able to get written evidence of a handicap from one of the following:
 - A registered golf club.
 - Girls Golf School.
 - Jack Newton Junior Golf Foundation.
 - Shark Challenge.
- (c) Students may have a handicap higher than forty five (45) but this will be the maximum given on the day.

5.7.3 FIELD OF COMPETITORS

Not to exceed sixty four (64) (or as determined by the Convener).

- (a) Boys: restricted by ballot on handicap if required.
- (b) Girls: restricted by ballot on handicap if required.

5.7.4 ENTRY FORMS

Each competitor must complete an entry form and handicap form and return by the closing date.

5.7.5 CLOSING DATE

To be determined by the Convener.

(Notifications of acceptance/non acceptance will be sent within ten (10) days of the closing date).

5.7.5 INFORMATION PACKAGE

These will be sent to each competitor at least two (2) weeks prior to the competition day.

5.7.7 CADDIES/ADVICE

A no caddy/advice rule applies. A walker is assigned to each group to assist with rules and organisation.

5.7.8 EVENTS/PRIZES:

- (a) Girls - 18 hole stroke / winner and runner up.
- (b) Girls - 18 hole nett / winner and runner up.
- (c) Boys - 18 hole stroke / winner and runner up.
- (d) Boys - 18 hole nett / winner and runner up.

Note 1: A player may win prizes in either the scratch or nett event - not both. Scratch will take precedent over nett.

Note 2: All prizes to be decided on count back as per AGU count back system.
NSWPSSA Gold and Silver Medals to be presented to winners and runners-up.

5.7.9 START / ARRIVAL

A shot gun start will be used. Players must be in attendance at least fifteen (15) minutes before tee off time or they may forfeit their place in the field.

5.7.10 DRESS / BEHAVIOUR

Correct golfing attire and behaviour is essential on the course and in the precincts of the club.

5.7.11 DISPUTES COMMITTEE To comprise:

NSWPSSA Convener.

Carnival Manager/Tournament Director who must be a school based person.

Women's Golf and/or Jack Newton Junior Golf Foundation.

5.7.12 ENTRY FEES

Entry Fees and all other costs to be paid before tee off.

5.7.13 CONDITION OF PLAY

AGU and LPGA condition of play apply unless stated otherwise.

5.7.14 WET WEATHER/SUSPENSION OF PLAY

If in the event of inclement weather and/or lightening it will be the responsibility of the host golf club in conjunction with the organising committee to suspend or cancel play. If, because of recent weather, a competitor is unsure if play will commence he/she will contact the golf course. A decision on the commencement of play will be made no later than 7.30am. In the event of a suspension of play, play will only be restarted if it is adjudged by the organising committee that all competitors will have completed their rounds by 3.00pm.

5.7.14.1 Cancelled/Suspended Play and State Team Selection

In the event that a state championship is cancelled by weather the following state team selection policy will apply:

The team will comprise the 8 boys and 4 girls who have the lowest verified AGU/WGA handicaps as of the date of the championship.

- The verification of handicaps will not take into account rounds of golf that have been played but have not yet been accredited by the handicapper of the competitor's home club.
- This information will be included in the competitor's information package sent to all students who have been successful in gaining a place in the championship.

In the event of suspended play the following state team selection will apply:

- If the field has completed more than 12 holes in competition the leading 8 boys and 4 girls will be selected by the best 9 hole aggregate.
- If the field has completed less than 12 holes the selection procedure will be the same as for cancellation of the event.
- This information will be included in the competitor's information package sent to all students who have been successful in gaining a place in the championship.

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SECTION 5.8 - HOCKEY STATE CARNIVAL RULES - Boys and Girls

(Amended 2006)

- 5.8.1** Refer to General State Carnival Rules.
- 5.8.2** Players shall wear the Region/Association uniform to be clearly numbered.
- 5.8.3** A full round robin carnival will be played where possible.
- 5.8.4** Each match shall have one clean plastic hockey ball in good condition.
- 5.8.5**
- (a) Competing Region / Associations are responsible for providing their own playing equipment - sticks, kickers, etc.
 - (b) Goalkeepers must wear as part of their protective equipment, a helmet and mask, chest protection, gloves, leg pads and kickers. Should a goalkeeper be incapacitated, suspended, or substituted, the nominated field player, in assuming the privileges of a goalkeeper, must wear a protective helmet and mask, chest protection, gloves, leg pads and kickers.. The nominated player shall be permitted to put on protective gear without undue delay.
 - (c) It is compulsory for all field players to wear shin pads and mouthguards.
- 5.8.6**
- (a) The period of play shall be two (2) halves of twenty five (25) minutes each with a five (5) minute interval.
 - (b) If there are more than twelve (12) teams and there are only two (2) artificial surfaces available, then the period of play shall be two (2) halves of twenty (20) minutes each with a five (5) minute interval.
 - (c) There is no time off allowed for injury.
- 5.8.7** Team Managers will act as umpires and scorers, if required.
- 5.8.8** Umpires will be responsible for recording goals scored on the score card.
- 5.8.9**
- (a) A penalty corner, if already awarded, will be taken.
 - (b) A penalty stroke, if already awarded, will be taken.

5.8.10 PLACE IN POOLS

When the carnival is played in pools, the places in the pools shall be decided as follows:

- (a) Points
- (b) Goal differences
- (c) Greater number of goals for
- (d) Goal averages (i.e. GOALS FOR divided by GOALS AGAINST)
- (e) The result of the game the teams played in the pool

- (f) If the teams are still level, each team takes five (5) penalty strokes alternating using five (5) different players. Team to receive first penalty strokes decided by toss of a coin. The team scoring the most number of goals is declared the winner.
Should the score still be equal, alternate penalty strokes by different members of each team until an equal number of each team has been attempted and a team has an advantage. This may recommence with the original five (5).

NOTE: The maximum score difference of nine (9) goals will apply in any match.

5.8.11 DRAWN SEMI-FINAL

- (a) In the event of a drawn semi-final five (5) minutes each way extra time will be played.
- (b) If the game is still drawn a maximum of five (5) minutes extra time each way be allowed unless a goal is scored. When the goal is scored that team is immediately declared the winner.
- (c) If the game is still drawn, the team that finished first in its pool is declared the winner.

5.8.12 In the event of a drawn final the teams are declared joint winners.

5.8.13 The rules of play and field markings shall be those of the International Hockey Board.

- (a) Interchange may be used during the game.

5.8.14 DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

A three (3) person disciplinary committee comprising (a) Carnival Manager, (b) RSO or Convener, (c) State Coach or Convener shall be formed at the commencement of each carnival to deal with any player sent off for the remainder of the game (red card) or receives two (2) temporary suspensions (yellow card). Team Manager(s) of player sent off plus opposition team manager(s) shall be added to disciplinary committee, if necessary.

5.8.15 PROTESTS

Protests shall be lodged by a Team Manager (who must be a teacher) in writing within thirty (30) minutes of the conclusion of the game in which the protest emanated. The protest shall be handed to the Carnival Manager. The protest committee shall consist of three (3) persons:

- (a) The Carnival Manager.
- (b) The Region / Association Sports Officer or Convener.
- (c) The State Coach or Convener.

If either (b) or (c) cannot be filled an alternate (elected at the managers' meeting) not concerned with the game from which the protest occurred, shall substitute.

5.8.16 INTERCHANGE

- (a) May be made at any time without stopping play.
- (b) Is unlimited in number during a game.
- (c) Is permitted at any time except that no player shall be changed after the awarding, and before the completion of a penalty corner or stroke.
- (d) Is permitted after a player has left the field.
- (e) Must be made at the halfway line on the side of the field decided by both teams and umpires.
- (f) Shall not apply to a suspended player.



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SECTION 5.10 - RUGBY LEAGUE STATE CARNIVAL RULES – Boys

(Amended 2006)

5.10 DIVISIONS: OPEN and 11 YEARS

- 5.10.1** (a) Refer to General State Carnival Rules
 (b) **CONDUCT OF COMPETITION**

A - Full Round Robin

- (i) Where there are seven (7) teams or less a full round robin will be played.
- (ii) Each team shall play each other at least once.
- (iii) The team scoring the highest number of competition points shall be the winner.
- (iv) Where a complete round robin is played and two (2) teams or more finish on equal first place they will be declared joint premiers.
- (v) Where two teams or more finish level on points for second or lower places, places shall be determined on percentages. i.e.

$$\frac{\text{points scored for}}{\text{points scored against}} \times \frac{100}{1} = \dots\dots\dots\%$$

OR B - In Pools

- (i) Where there are more than seven (7) teams a two pool competition will be played.
- (ii) The competing teams shall be drawn equally into two (2) pools. Placings to be decided on the previous year's results at that age level.

In the case of a drawn final, seeding for the following year will be determined by:

- 1) Highest positioned team after completion of pool games and final.
If this is equal
- 2) Team with better points for and against percentage in all games will be seeded number one. If this is still equal
- 3) A toss of the coin will be used. The competing teams shall be drawn equally into two (2) pools. Placings to be decided on the previous year's results at that age level.

For example:
 Pool A - 1, 4, 5, 8, 9, 12
 Pool B - 2, 3, 6, 7, 10, 11

- (iii) In each pool each time shall play each other at least once.
- (iv) In the event of teams finishing level on points in a pool, the placings shall be determined on percentages.

$$\frac{\text{points scored for}}{\text{points scored against}} \times \frac{100}{1} = \dots\dots\dots\%$$

- (v) Once the placings have been decided in the two (2) pools, two (2) semi finals will be played:
 Winner Pool A v Runner Up Pool B
 Winner Pool B v Runner Up Pool A
 The winning teams of each semi final will meet in the final. In the event of a drawn final, joint premiers will be declared.
- (vi) The losers of the semi final shall meet to decide 3rd and 4th place in the carnival and the other teams shall play as follows to decide the remaining places:
 3rd in each pool will meet to decide 5th and 6th places;
 4th in each pool will meet to decide 7th and 8th places;
 5th in each pool will meet to decide 9th and 10th places;

5.10.2 The competition is to be run under the Australian Rugby League's laws for Mod League for twelve (12) years and eleven (11) years respectively.

5.10.3 UNIFORMS

Players shall wear the Region / Association Uniform. Jumpers shall be numbered individually and these jumpers are not to be interchangeable.

5.10.4 FOOTWEAR

All Players must wear football boots in condition which the carnival referee find satisfactory.

5.10.5 FOOTBALLS

Footballs shall be the Mod League ball as approved by the Australian Rugby League.

- 5.10.6** (a) Matches will be fifteen (15) minutes each way with a five (5) minute break.
- (b) Semi-Finals and Finals will be twenty (20) minutes each way with a five (5) minute break.
- (c) In Semi Finals and Finals only, there will be time off for injuries.

5.10.7 Replacements will be unlimited interchange.

5.10.8 An official timekeeper independent of the referee shall be appointed for each game and no time off shall be allowed for injuries.

5.10.9 DRAWN SEMI-FINAL

In the event of a semi-final being drawn, the following procedure will apply:

- (a) Five (5) minutes each way extra time.
- (b) If points are still equal, the team scoring the most tries be declared the winner.
- (c) If the tries are equal, the team scoring the first try be declared the winner.
- (d) If NO POINTS were scored, the team with the higher pool placing be declared the winner.

5.10.10 DRAWN FINALS

In the event of a drawn final no extra time will be played and both teams will be declared joint winners.

5.10.11 PROTESTS

Must be lodged, in writing, by the Team Manager (who must be a teacher), to the Carnival Manager within fifteen (15) minutes of the conclusion of the match.

5.10.12 PROTEST COMMITTEE

A Protest Committee of three (3) shall be formed at the Manager's pre-carnival meeting to deal with any protests.



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SECTION 5.13 - SOFTBALL STATE CARNIVAL RULES - Boys and Girls

(Amended 2006)

5.13.1 Refer to General State Carnival Rules.

5.13.2 UNIFORMS

Players are to wear Area / Association uniforms that are numbered without duplication. Players can not take the diamond with a shirt that is not numbered, unless agreed upon at the Managers' Pre-Carnival Meeting.

5.13.3 CONDUCT OF COMPETITION

- (a) Where less than twelve (12) teams are present, a full round robin will be played.
- (b) When more than twelve (12) teams are present, two (2) pools will be played with a crossover semifinal and finals for all placings being played.
- (c) (i) When twelve (12) teams are present, three (3) pools will be played. The seedings to be decided on previous year's results.

POOL	A	B	C
	1	2	3
	6	5	4
	7	8	9
	12	11	10

- (ii) On the first day each team will play the other teams in their pool once. At the conclusion of Day 1 the teams will be ranked in order from 1 to 4 in each pool.
- (iii)
 - Teams ranked 1 and 2 in their pool are placed in Pool X to play each other once over the following two days.
 - Teams ranked 3 and 4 in their pool are placed in Pool Y to play each other once over the following two days.
- (iv) Final positions will be determined on points gained from all games, with Pool X: 1st to 6th and POOL Y: 7th to 12th.
- (d) (i) In the event of two teams finishing level on points in a pool, the placings shall be determined by:
 - The result of the pool game between the two teams will determine the higher placing.
 - If the game was a draw, the higher placed team will be determined on the least number of runs scored against them throughout the round.
 - If the runs against were equal, the higher placed team will be determined on percentages.
 - If percentages were equal, the higher placed team will be determined on the high number of runners left on base in the game involving the two equal teams.

- If runners left on base were equal, the higher placed team will be determined after a tie break is played which will be considered a continuation of the drawn game between the two equal teams.
- (ii) In the event of three or more teams finishing level on points in a pool, the placings will be determined on percentages in the games involving only those teams.
- (e) When two (2) pools are played and in the event of a drawn semi-final, a tie break will be played to determine the winner. In the event of the final being a drawn game, both teams will be declared joint winners.
- (f) When two (2) pools are played and in the event of a drawn preliminary play off game, a tie break will be played to determine the winner.

- 5.13.4**
- (a) The host Area / Association shall supply bases, home plate, pitchers plates, a result sheet, a central timing device, team benches and shelters.
 - (b) Safety bases are to be used.
 - (c) Each team will supply its own gloves, mitts, catchers protective equipment, bats, batters helmets and score books.
 - (d) All batters, base runners and junior base coaches (under 18) must wear helmets.
 - (e) Catchers are to wear helmets, face masks with throat protectors, body protectors and leggings. While catchers are taking warm up pitches from the pitching plate he/she must have on all the above protective equipment. Any other member of a team, including officials, must wear a helmet, mask and throat protector while receiving warm up pitches from the pitcher's plate.
 - (f) All players must wear shinpads.
 - (g) It is recommended that players wear mouth guards especially infield players.

5.13.5 MATCH BALLS

The official match ball to be used at the New South Wales Primary Schools Sports Association Carnivals will be an 11 inch leather ball. Match balls will be supplied by the New South Wales Primary Schools Sports Association.

- 5.13.6**
- (a) A team at bat may declare its innings at NSWPSSA Softball Carnivals.
 - (b) The 'Run Ahead' rule does not apply at NSWPSSA Softball Carnivals.
 - (c) The 'Intentional Walk' rule does not apply at NSWPSSA Softball Carnivals.

5.13.7 MATCH RULES

Match rules shall be in accordance with the official rules of the Australian Softball Federation except:

- (a) (i) Pitching distance for the Girls Carnival shall be 10.67 metres (35').
- (ii) Pitching distance for the Boys Carnival shall be 12.19 metres (40')
- (b) The period of play shall be regulation game with a maximum time of one (1) hour and fifteen (15) minutes. The game will be extended by a time equivalent to any 'time off' requested by a Coach in the last five (5) minutes of the game.
- (c) When injury, illness or removal results in a team having less than the required number of players, the game will continue. When the absent player is due to bat it is an automatic out.
- (d) Catcher Speed Up Rule
When the batting side has two (2) out and the catcher is on base, the batting team may elect to have a runner replace the catcher. The replacement runner can not be one of the next five (5) batters in the line up but can be any player listed on the line up card. This is not considered a substitution.

5.13.8 PROTESTS

All protests involving game rules are to be settled by the Umpire in Chief. Protests relating to the scoring of runs in a game must be lodged within (10) ten minutes of the completion of the game in question.

5.13.9 JUDICIAL COMMITTEE

A Judicial Committee of three (3) shall be formed at the Managers' Pre-Carnival meeting to deal with any player reported by an umpire.

5.13.10 BLOOD BIN

The 'Blood Bin and Spitting Policy' of Softball NSW will apply in all NSWPSSA fixtures.

5.13.11 INCLEMENT WEATHER

In the case of inclement weather, a legal game is when there has been an equal number of innings completed by both teams after half of the allocated game time.

5.13.12 COACHING

Coaching by a team official, who must be a teacher, currently employed, permanent or temporary, by the New South Wales Department of Education and Training, Catholic Education or Independent School systems or a team member, may take place from the particular area known as the coach's box.

5.13.13 SELECTION COMMITTEE

The Selection Committee shall be made up of the State Coach, State Convener and a coach/manager representing each of the pools elected at the Managers' Pre-Carnival Meeting. All other Area/Association Coaches/Managers will be consulted throughout the selection process.

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SECTION 5.14 - SWIMMING STATE CARNIVAL RULES: Boys and Girls

(Amended 2007)

5.14.1 Refer to General State Carnival Rules.

5.14.2 ENTRIES

- (a) Each Region/ Association may nominate three (3) competitors per event. The maximum number of entries per Region / Association team for the multi-disability events at the NSWPSSA Swimming CHampionships be three (3) per event. These entries must be submitted with the able bodied entries.
- (b) Should there be a desire for additional entries, the special circumstances are to be stated when lodging entries.
- (c) Substitutes may be allowed by the Carnival Manager at the recommendation of the relevant Senior Education Officer or Team Manager prior to the commencement of the carnival.
- (d) Entries are to be forwarded to the Swimming Convener by the closing date.

5.14.3 PROGRAM OF EVENTS

The following individual events will be conducted:

- 100 metre Freestyle
- 50 metre Freestyle, Breaststroke, Backstroke and Butterfly
- 4 x 50m individual medley

In the 100 metre freestyle and 50 metre events, heats will be conducted in the morning session and finals in the afternoon session. Heats of the individual medley will be conducted on Day 1 and Finals on Day 2.

The following events will be held for competitors with a disability:

- 50 metre Freestyle, Breaststroke, Backstroke and Butterfly.

These events will be conducted in senior and junior divisions for boys and girls. These events will be multidisability timed finals with one event conducted in each session of the program.

5.14.4 QUALIFYING TIMES

Shall be issued by the Convener each year.

5.14.5 SECTIONS

The meet shall be conducted in sections for boys and sections for girls. The exception is the small schools relay, which is open to any pupil in that school.

5.14.6 AGE GROUPS

- (a) **INDIVIDUAL 50 METRES FREESTYLE EVENTS**
8 years, 9 years, 10 years, 11 years, 12 years, 13 years.
- (b) **FORM STROKE 50 METRE EVENTS**
Junior: 8 years, 9 years, 10 years, 11 years, 12/13 years
- (c) **ALL AGE EVENTS**
100 metres freestyle. (8 years to 13 years).

(d) **MEDLEY EVENTS**

Senior 4 x 50 metres Individual Medley 11-13 years.

Junior 4 x 50 metres Individual Medley 8-10 years.

A competitor whose significant birthday occurs during the current year is eligible for that age event only. No competitor shall compete in more than one division except for all age events.

5.14.7 RELAYS

(a) The following relay events shall be held:

Boys Senior

Girls Senior

Boys Junior

Girls Junior

The Earl MaGee Trophy

The Peter Dobson Trophy

Girls All Age 5 x 50m Freestyle Relay (Area / Association Teams Only)

Boys All Age 5 x 50 m Freestyle Relay (Area / Association Teams Only)

(b) In each school based relay event a school may enter one team.

(c) Age groups for relays shall be:

(i) Senior - 11 years, 12 years, 13 years.

(ii) Junior - 8 years, 9 years, 10 years.

(iii) A Region / Association may nominate a composite team in the boys and/or girls relays. A composite team may be entered from a Zone providing the total enrolment of the schools involved does not exceed two hundred and fifty (250) (K-6) pupils.

(iv) **The Earl MaGee Trophy**

The Small Schools Relay team must include students from schools with a total school enrolment not exceeding twenty five (25). The combination of boys and girls to form is the schools responsibility. ALL children in the team must be enrolled at the same school. The classification of the enrolment will be determined by the February Staff Return.

(v) **The Peter Dobson Trophy**

The Peter Dobson Relay must include students from schools with a total school enrolment of more than twenty five (25) pupils but not exceeding fifty four (54) pupils. The combination of boys and girls in each team to be decided by the individual school but all the children must be enrolled in the same school.

The classification of the enrolment will be determined by the February Staff return.

(d) Rules for all age 5 x 50m Freestyle Relays:

(i) Team to comprise one (1) swimmer from each of the following age groups 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12/13 years age group.

(ii) The events be run as timed finals.

5.14.8 METHOD OF STARTING

Competitors shall be placed in their lanes and one half pace behind the starting position by the Check Starter.

The procedure will then be:

(a) A whistle blast, at which the competitors take their position on the back of the blocks - in backstroke competitors enter the water.

(b) The starter's command 'TAKE YOUR MARKS' competitors step forward and assume starting position - in backstroke competitors assume starting position immediately on the command.

(c) Gun blast.

(d) A one (1) start rule be used.

After command (b) the competitor shall remain stationary until the gun blast.

5.14.9 FINISH

Competitors must remain in their lanes at the finish of each event until told to leave the water.

5.14.10 FINALISTS

Progress from Heats to Finals.

For Finals all available lanes be utilised.

Ten (10) lane pool - ten fastest times through to finals

Nine (9) lane pool - nine fastest times through to finals

Eight (8) lane pool - eight fastest finals through to finals.

5.14.11 PLACEGETTERS

- (a) Placegetters in events will be awarded medallions at the conclusion of each event.
- (b) **The Harold Hardwick Memorial Trophy** will be awarded to the Boys 100 metres Freestyle Champion.
- (c) **The Bill Finlay Memorial Trophy** will be awarded to the Girls 100 metres Freestyle Champion.
- (d) **The Outstanding Swimmer Award** will be awarded to the competitor with the best overall performances in individual events. (Consideration will be given to the number of records broken.)

5.14.12 WITHDRAWALS

All withdrawals from finals must be notified in writing to the Meet Director within fifteen (15) minutes of the conclusion of the heats session. Withdrawals after this time, without documented medical evidence, may result in the withdrawal of the competitor from all other finals. This decision is left to the discretion of the Meet Director.

5.14.13 COACHING

Once competitors are in the hands of the officials controlling the event they are not to receive any coaching or advice.

PENALTY: Disqualification.

5.14.14 PROTESTS

Protests shall be dealt with by the Disputes Committee, comprising the Carnival Manager, referee and relevant sectional official. No protest shall be considered unless lodged by the Team manager (who must be a teacher).

5.14.15 TOUCHING THE WALL

In all events other than backstroke or butterfly stroke, a swimmer when TURNING shall make physical contact with the end of the pool or course. The turn must be made from the wall and it is not permitted to take a stride or step from the bottom of the pool.

(a) BREASTSTROKE

In breaststroke when touching at the turn a simultaneous uneven touch is permitted but the shoulders must remain in the horizontal plane. The touch may be made at, below or above the water level.

(b) BACKSTROKE

Any competitor leaving his/her normal position on the back before his/her head, shoulder, foremost hand or arm has touched the end of the course for the purpose of turning or finishing shall be disqualified.

(c) BUTTERFLY

When touching at the turn or on finishing a race the touch will be made with both hands simultaneously on the same level and with shoulders in the horizontal position. The Touch may be made at, above or below the water level.

(d) FREESTYLE

When turning or finishing a race the swimmer is required to touch the wall of the pool or course with any part of the body, not necessarily the hand. However, at the finish of the race it is necessary for contact to be made with the wall of the pool. A hand touch is not obligatory.

5.14.16 SELECTION OF STATE TEAMS

With the exception of the years when the Pacific Schools Games are to be contested, where specific selection criteria apply, the following selection procedures for School Sports Australia Exchange shall apply.

- (a) All children selected to represent the NSW PSSA at School Sports Australia Exchanges must be turning ten (10), eleven (11), or twelve (12) in the year of competition.
- (b) The first four placegetters in Age 50 metre freestyle and first three placegetters in all other events will be automatic selections in the NSW PSSA Team. In the case of dead heats for the third place the team management will determine who will be selected for the third position.
- (c) All additional swim places (i.e. 100 metres Backstroke, Butterfly, Breaststroke, 200 metres Freestyle and 11 years 200 metre Individual Medley) will be determined by team management taking into account times from NSW ASA state, metropolitan, and country carnivals and NSW PSSA Carnival only.
- (d) 'A' Division relay teams will be the four fastest available swimmers in each age group in the Medley and the four placegetters in the Freestyle at the PSSA Championships.

- (e) Any competitor withdrawing from a Final at the NSWPSA Championships for a reason other than documented medical reasons be precluded from selection in that relevant age event at the School Sport Australia exchange that year.

5.14.17 RECORDS

A swimming competitor equalling or bettering an existing record in a heat/final will be awarded a Record Certificate.

5.14.18 EVENT INDICATOR

The event number and heat will be displayed for each event.

5.14.19 REGION / ASSOCIATION SEATING

All competitors and spectators must sit in the allocated place. Each Region / Association sign will be attached to the rail on the grandstand. Offenders in out of bounds areas may be removed from the venue.

5.14.20 ORDER OF EVENTS

The Carnival Manager reserves the right to alter the program should it be considered necessary.

5.14.21 DIVING

(a) SPRINGBOARD

Springboard Diving shall be conducted in the following categories

- 8/9 Years Boys
- 8/9 Years Girls
- 10/11 Years Boys
- 10/11 Years Girls
- 12/13 Years Boys
- 12/13 Years Girls

Dives may be performed from either the 1m and/or the 3m springboard.

8/9 Years Boys and Girls - 3 dives

- 1 dive @ 1.5 degree of difficulty or less
- 2 dives with no limit on degree of difficulty

10/11 Years Boys and Girls - 3 dives

- 1 dive @ 1.6 degree of difficulty or less
- 2 dives from 2 groups with no limit on degree of difficulty

12/13 Years Boys and Girls - 4 dives

- 2 dive from 2 groups @ 3.6 degree of difficulty or less
- 2 dives from 2 groups with no limit on degree of difficulty

(b) PLATFORM

Platform Diving shall be conducted in the following categories

- 12 Years and under Boys
- 12 Years and under Girls
- Dive Requirements

12 Years and under - 3 dives

- 1 dive @ 1.6 degree of difficulty limit
 - 2 dives with no limit on degree of difficulty
- Dives may be performed from 5m platform only.

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5.16 - TOUCH STATE CARNIVAL - Boys and Girls

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5.16.1 Refer to General State Carnival Rules

5.16.2 RULES AND CONDITIONS

- (a) All matches will be played according to Standard ATA Rules unless otherwise stated.
- (b) All teams will consist of a maximum of fourteen (14) players with a maximum of seven (7) players on the field.
- (c) Each team is permitted to make unlimited substitutions.
- (d) Substitutions shall take place from one designated sideline and from within the substitution box. The competition will be played in two (2) pools.
- (e) All players will wear their Region/Association's uniform. Players are to remain in the same numbered uniform for the duration of the Carnival.

5.16.3.1 DURATION OF PLAY

Games shall be twenty (20) minutes each way with a five (5) minute half time.

5.16.4 In the case of equal position in pool placings, positions will be determined by:

- (a)
 - (i) For and against
 - (ii) Highest number of touchdowns
 - (iii) Result of pool match
 - (iv) Drop off 'golden try' system
- (b)
 - (i) For and against
 - (ii) Highest number of touchdowns
 - (iii) Result of pool match
- (c) Following the completion of pool matches from the **Boys** State Carnival
 - Teams 1 and 2 from each pool to play for positions 1 - 4
 - Teams 3 and 4 from each pool to play for positions 5 - 8
 - Teams 5 and 6 from each pool to play for positions 9 - 12
 - Cross over system to operate followed by winners v winners and losers v losers.

5.16.4 DRAWN SEMI-FINAL In the event of a drawn semi-final, the drop off system will be used.

5.16.6 DRAWN FINAL

In the final, if the game is drawn at full time both teams shall be declared joint winners.

5.16.7 DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

A three (3) person Disciplinary Committee shall be formed at the Managers' Pre-carnival Meeting to deal with any player sent off or cautioned.

5.16.8 PROTESTS

Must be lodged in writing, by the Team Manager (who must be a teacher), to the Carnival Manager within fifteen (15) minutes of the conclusion of the match.

5.16.9 PROTEST COMMITTEE

A Protest Committee consisting of the Carnival Manager and two (2) people elected from the Managers' Pre-Carnival Meeting will hear all protests.

5.16.10 SELECTION

At the Managers' Pre-Carnival Meeting, the State Team selectors shall be elected. The State Coach, by virtue of position, shall be one (1) selector. The two (2) other selectors shall be elected at the pre-carnival meeting. Each Region/Association shall have only one (1) vote in this election.

5.16.11 (a) YES/ NO RULE

Where a player calls yes/no the player and team are warned and penalised. For the second team infringement by that team, the player is to be replaced for a minimum 3 minutes and the team is penalised.

(b) PHANTOM CALLS

Where a player is adjudged to have called a "phantom" touch they are to be substituted for a minimum three minutes and the team is penalised. If a player is adjudged to have called a "phantom" touch for a second time, he/she is to be replaced for the remainder of the game.

5.16.12 BLOOD PROCEDURE POLICY

- (a) Any bleeding player must be immediately removed from the field.
- (b) A substitution and/or positional change may be made.
- (c) A bleeding player may re-enter the game after the injury has been cleaned/taped and blood stained clothes cleaned or removed.

5.6.13 PLAYING CONDITIONS

In all State Carnivals, except Athletics, Swimming, Cross Country, Cricket, Soccer and Rugby Union where points are allocated to a team, the system to be used shall be:

- Win - 3 points
- Draw - 2 points
- Loss - 1 point
- Forfeit - 0 points

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SECTION 6.9 - FOOTBALL (Soccer) KNOCKOUT COMPETITION - Boys and Girls

SOCCER NSW SHIELDS

(Amended 2006)

6.9.1 Refer to General Knockout Rules.

6.9.2 RULES AND CONDITIONS

- (a) (i) Competition is to be on an open primary age basis, i.e. pupils must be thirteen (13) years or under in the year of the competition.
- (b) **RULES**
- (i) All teams to consist of a maximum of fourteen (14) players.
- (ii) Each team may make unlimited interchanges during a game.
- (iii) Interchanges shall take place sideline at the interchange zone at any stoppage in play after the referee's permission has been obtained.
- (iv) Corner kicks will be taken eight (8) metres from the penalty area.
- (c) **DRAW**
- Draw will be made on an Area basis with a separate Sub-Convener for each Area. Enquiries should be made to Area Sub-Convener.
- (d) **DURATION OF PLAY**
- All boys and girls games shall be twenty five (25) minutes each way with five (5) minutes for half time (injury and interchange time allowed). The referee shall be the sole timekeeper.
- (e) **DRAWN GAMES**
- (i) In all matches except the final, corners shall be counted by the referee in both normal and extra time (if required).
- (ii) If goals scored are equal at the completion of normal time then 5 minutes extra time each way to be played.
- (iii) If goals scored are equal at the completion of extra time, the team scoring the most corners throughout the match (including extra time) will be determined the winner.
- (iv) If goals and corners are equal at the completion of extra time the team scoring the first goal in the match will be determined the winner.
- (v) If no goals have been scored in the match the team awarded the first corner in the match will be determined the winner.
- (vi) If no goals or corners are awarded during the match, the result will be determined by a single toss of the coin by the match referee.
- (f) **MATCH RULES**
- The fixtures will be played accordance to FIFA Rules.

(g) RESULTS

Results must be forwarded by the winning school to the Convener or his nominee within one (1) day of match being completed.

(h) SUSPENSIONS

If a player is sent from the field of play, he/she is given an automatic one (1) match SUSPENSION. This suspension is to be served in the next knockout match in the same competition. The Area Convener must be notified of such an incident by the school of the dismissed .

(i) CLASH OF COLOURS

Should a clash of colours occur, the visiting team must supply an alternate strip.

(j) USE OF SHINPADS

Shinpads must be worn by all players. Players will not be able to take the field of play at any time during a match without wearing shinpads

6.9.3 DUTIES OF HOME SCHOOL

Home teams shall provide the following:

- (i) Regulation size soccer field - properly marked.
- (ii) Size four (4) soccer ball.
- (iii) Qualified referee and two (2) assistant referees if possible.
- (iv) Nets and corner posts if possible.
- (v) First aid kit, and if possible a First Aid Officer.

All players are required to wear correct soccer gear.

6.9.4 PENNANTS

Fourteen (14) pennants will be awarded to the winning school team and fourteen (14) pennants to the runners-up on the day of the final plus one (1) pennant for the Team Coach and one (1) pennant for the school.

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SECTION 6.10 - SOFTBALL KNOCKOUT COMPETITION - Boys and Girls

TEACHERS CREDIT UNION TROPHY

(Amended 2006)

6.10.1 Refer to General Knockout Rules.

6.10.2 RULES AND CONDITIONS

- (a) (i) Competition is to be on an open primary age basis, i.e. pupils must be thirteen (13) years or under in the year of the competition.
(ii) The maximum number of players in a team is twelve (12).

(b) DURATION OF PLAY

- (i) Games are to consist of seven (7) completed innings or one and a quarter (1 1/4) hours, whichever occurs first. The game will be extended by a time equivalent to any "time off" requested by a Coach in the last five (5) minutes of the game. All timekeeping is the responsibility of the central or Home Plate Umpire. Managers of either the Home or Away teams should not take on the role of timekeeper.
Matches shall be played according to the rules of the Australian Softball Federation Fast Pitch Rule Book.
(ii) In case of inclement weather, a legal game is when there has been an equal number of innings completed by both teams after half of the allocated game time.

(c) TIED GAMES

In the event of a tied game when time is called, or reverts to a tied game, the innings in progress will be completed. If the game is still tied after even innings, tie breaker innings will be played until a result is obtained.

TIE BREAKER

The last player to complete his/her time at bat in the innings of the tie will be placed on 2nd base in the tie break innings for each side. The game will then proceed in the usual way.

- This rule to apply in all matches except the final.
- In the event of the final being a drawn game both teams will be declared joint winners.
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(d) COACHING

Coaching by a team official, who must be a teacher currently employed by the New South Wales Department of Education and Training at that school or a team member, may take place from the particular area known as the coach's box.

(e) EQUIPMENT

- (i) Proper footwear shall be worn at all times. Boots with moulded or plastic studs may be worn - cleats, metal or screw in studs are not permitted. Jewellery and casts are not allowed.
- (ii) Safety bases are to be used.
- (iii) Catchers are to wear helmets, face mask with throat protectors, body protectors and leggings.
While catchers are taking warm up pitches from the pitching plate, he/she MUST have on all the above protective equipment.
Any other member of a team, including officials, must wear a helmet, mask and throat protector while receiving warm up pitches from the pitcher's plate.
- (iv) Each team shall provide their own equipment and an 11 inch leather match ball. The home team will supply bases.
- (v) Batters, base runners and junior base coaches (under 18) must wear helmets.

(f) DECLARATION OF AN INNINGS

- (i) A team may declare its innings
- (ii) The 'Run Ahead' rule does not apply
- (iii) The 'Intentional Walk' rule does not apply

(f) CATCHER SPEED UP RULE

When the batting side has two (2) out and the catcher is on base, the batting team may elect to have a runner replace the catcher. The replacement runner can not be one of the next five (5) batters in the line up but can be any player listed on the line up card. This is not considered a substitution.

6.10.3 (a) DUTIES OF THE SCHOOL

Home teams shall provide the following:

- (i) Provide a 18.29m diamond correctly marked with pitching distance 10.67m, 2.44m radius circle around pitcher's plate and two (2) batter's boxes 2.13m x 0.91m as shown in rule book.
- (ii) Provide two competent umpires, one (1) plate and one (1) base umpire if possible (local High Schools may be able to help in this regard).
In the event of this not being possible, each teacher will umpire while his/her team is fielding and may coach while his/her team is at bat (from the Coach's box).

6.10.4 PENNANTS

Twelve (12) will be awarded to the winning school team and twelve (12) to the runners-up on the day of the final plus one (1) for each Team Coach and one (1) for each school.