

SOUTHWEST SUBURBAN CONFERENCE: Water Polo: Sport Guidelines

I. Season Limitations

- A. Practice may begin on Monday, February 24, 2020..
- B. First contest may be held on Monday, March 2, 2020.
- C. Season ends on Saturday, May 16, 2020.

II. Contest Limitations (Exclusive of the IHSA State Series)

30 games

III. Levels of Competition

- A. Varsity
- B. Junior Varsity

IV. Coaches Meeting

- A. There will be no pre-season meeting.
- B. Post-season meeting will be hosted by Andrew at a date, time and location to be announced.

V. Championship and Awards

- A. Standings
 - a. A championship trophy shall be awarded to the winner at the Varsity level.
 - b. An engraved plate will be awarded to the winner at the junior-varsity level.
 - c. The conference champion will be recognized by the best won-loss record from all conference games.
- B. Individual Awards
 - a. Players from each Division will be selected to the All Conference Team using the chart provided in part 2, section 12 of the handbook. *The mission of the coaches is to select the best players in the conference from each division to the All-Conference Team.*
 - b. All-Conference selections will be given to schools based on their finish in the Divisional standings as follows:
 - i. First place team will receive four (4) selections.
 - ii. **Second** and third place teams will each receive three (3) selections.
 - iii. Fourth and **fifth** place teams will each receive two (2) selections.
 - iv. **Sixth** through ninth place teams will each receive one (1) selection.
 - c. In the event of a tie for a place, head-to-head results determine team placement. In the event there is still a tie, the total number of selections for the teams involved will be averaged and rounded up to the next higher number.
 - d. All-Conference selections will be voted on by the coaches at the post- season meeting.

VI. Terms of Contests

- A. IHSA, ISA, and National Federation rules shall apply, unless modifications are otherwise specified in this section.
- B. The host school shall provide waterproof leather game balls and necessary equipment for the conduct of the match, except visitor caps

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- C. The host school shall give the visiting coaches(s) any pool modifications in advance of the match.
- D. The SWSC assignment chairperson will provide officials for conference contests.
- E. Game time shall be by mutual agreement.
- F. Varsity-played first. JV will begin fifteen minutes after the completion of the varsity game.
- G. Any player NOT playing in the varsity contest may play in the second (JV) game.
- H. Length of quarters:
 - a. Varsity-7 minutes.
 - b. JV-6 minutes.
- I. Tie breaker procedures:
 - a. Ties will be broken at varsity level only.
 - b. A five-minute rest period after the game.
 - c. A three-minute overtime period.
 - d. A two-minute rest period.
 - e. A three-minute overtime period.
 - f. If still tied, two minute rest period.
 - g. Coin toss to determine the goal defended.
 - h. Sudden death.
- J. Game personnel:
 - a. Shot clock operator.
 - b. Game clock operator/announcer.
 - c. Official scorer.

VII. Officials

Recommended number of officials for each level:

- a. Varsity (2)
- b. Junior Varsity (2)

VIII. Reporting Results

- A. Each varsity and JV coach (or their designee) will record their conference home game scores on the SWSC conference website at <http://swsc.8to18.com>.
- B. The Historian shall oversee the results of all league contests and compile the official standing for league records on the conference web site.
- C. The Division win-loss records and scores will be verified at the post-season meeting to determine the Division champions and final standings.
- D. The Historian is responsible for entering conference team champions and all-conference players on the SWSC website.

IX. Miscellaneous Information

Playing Sites:

All schools will play on campus sites