

**SUPERIOR SECONDARY SCHOOLS ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION**  
**GOLF**  
**PLAYING REGULATIONS**  
*(updated September 2025)*

**1. Championship Format**

**Regular Season**

The SSSAA golf regular season will be a match play team format. Each team will be comprised of five (5) players. Two (2) players will play best ball match play against their opponents; two (2) players will play scramble (best shot) match play against their opponents; and one (1) player will play singles match play against their opponent.

Each regular season match will be nine (9) holes with ties standing. Clubhouse staff has the right to determine whether a match begins on the front or back nine.

A player may only compete in one singles match during the regular season. The roster is unlimited meaning any individual on the SSSAA eligibility sheet may compete in a regular season match, however, a player must have competed in at least one match to be eligible to compete in the quarterfinals and beyond. Playoff rosters may change as long as each player has competed in one regular season match.

**Finals/Third-Place Game**

Finals: Winner of SF-A vs. Winner of SF-B

The finals will be eighteen (18) holes. In the case of a tie, the singles match will continue their 19<sup>th</sup> hole in a sudden death playoff. The course Pro will determine which hole the playoff starts on.

3<sup>rd</sup>-Place Game: Loser of SF-A vs. Loser of SF-B

In the case of a tie, the singles match will continue their 19<sup>th</sup> hole in a sudden death playoff.

**2. Rules of Play**

The RCGA rule book will govern play with the addition of any local rules that are either designated on the score card or are passed out prior to the competition.

Caddies will not be allowed. Spectators can walk with groups but must not communicate with players. Coaches can coach student-athletes during regular season competition and may choose to play with the singles match. Throughout the playoffs, coaches cannot coach during competition and can only choose to play with a singles match which does not involve their school.

Coaches must be on-site with their team for the duration of the competition. Any team found to be unsupervised will forfeit their match.

Power carts will not be allowed. The only exception will be for medical reasons upon presentation of a doctor's certificate.

Matches will be sent out in the following order: best ball, scramble and then singles. In the scramble match when a team chooses to play a ball off the fairway (rough, hazard, etc.), the player whose shot was taken must play first. The second player must drop within one club length not closer to the hole in the same cut (i.e. can't change from rough to fairway).

Scorecards must be exchanged between competitors prior to teeing off.

All golfers must follow the rules and regulations set out by the golf facility and must meet the code of behaviour set out by SSSAA.

Boys will play from the white (or regular) tees when playing in a team match. Girls will play from the red (or forward) tees when playing in a team match.

### **SSSAA Regular Season Golf Standings**

When submitting scores. The winning team will submit using the following example.

[*Winning team*] beat [*losing team*] [*score*]. Singles [*result*], best ball [*result*], scramble [*result*]

Standings will be kept track as W-L-T (2 pts for a win, 0 points for a loss, 1 point for a tie) for a full match between teams. Since each team has 6 matches, there will be 6 records kept.

Ex; 4-1-1 (**9 pts**) or 2-3-1 (**5 pts**). Teams will then be ranked based on these points.

In the event of a tie:

#### **A. Two Teams Tied**

1. Head-to-Head Results – The team with the better record in matches between the tied teams shall advance.
2. Total Points – If still tied, compare the total points from all matches throughout the season (1 point for each individual match within a match between two teams)
3. Singles Match - If still tied, the winner of the singles match between the two tied teams
4. Best ball Match - If still tied, the winner of the best ball match between the two tied teams

5. If still tied, the team will be drawn out of a hat will advance

### **B. Three or More Teams Tied**

1. Head-to-Head Results – Compare match records among the tied teams only.
2. Total Points – If still tied, compare the total points from all matches throughout the season (1 point for each individual match within a match between two teams)
3. Singles Match - If still tied, compare singles matches between all tied teams
4. Best Ball matches - If still tied, compare best ball matches between all tied teams
5. Scramble Matches - If still tied, compare scramble matches between all tied teams
6. If still tied, the team will be drawn out of a hat will advance

### **3. Roster & Eligibility Forms**

Eligibility forms must be completed online into the OFSAA Hub one day prior to the schools first match. Schools competing without submitting their eligibility will forfeit all matches until the eligibility file is received. Additional student-athletes may be added to a team by completing a new eligibility form and emailing prior to the student-athlete being able to compete.

Playoff rosters (which student-athletes will be competing in which formats) must be submitted via email to Joe Newhouse ([joseph\\_newhouse@lakeheadschoools.ca](mailto:joseph_newhouse@lakeheadschoools.ca)) by 1:00pm on the day of each playoff match. Failure to submit playoff rosters will result in the opposing team being allowed to see the playoff roster before finalizing their roster.

### **4. Results**

Winning Coaches must submit scores by 9pm on the day of the match to the SSSAA Scores online form ([SSSAA Score Report Form](#)). Coaches are asked to indicate the winner of the match in terms of points (i.e. Westgate 2 ½ Churchill ½). Each format is worth one (1) point and ties are worth a ½ point for a total of 3 points per match. Failure to submit scores will result in a warning the first time and forfeiture of points for each time thereafter.

### **5. Awards**

The SSSAA Championship trophy will be awarded to the winning team. Medals will be presented to teams finishing in the top 3 places.

### **6. NWOSSAA**

The top three SSSAA teams (5 players per team) will qualify for NWOSSAA. Individual qualifiers will include the top five individual boys and four individual girls from any school. The top 3 SSSAA teams must declare their 5 players for NWOSSAA prior to SSSAA Stroke Play.