



## SAANICH WATER POLO SCHOOL 2012 INTERNATIONAL VALENTINES WATER POLO TOURNAMENT INFORMATION SHEET

- The **Atom Mixed** Division contains 6 teams, and will play a round robin format. At the end of the round robin, the matchups will be: #5 v #6, #3 v #4 (for 3rd place), and #1 v #2 (for 1st place).
- The **Bantam Boys** Division contains 8 teams, split into 2 divisions A & B. At the end of the round robin, the ranked team will play the matching ranked team from the other group. The winners of the 1/2 games will play for 1st/2nd, and the losers will play for 3rd/4th. The winners of the 3/4 games will play for 5th/6th, and the losers will play for 7th/8th.
- The **Bantam Girls**, and **Cadet Boys** Divisions contain 5 teams each, and will play a round robin tournament (4 games each). At the end of Round Robin play, the #4 and #5 teams will play to determine who plays the #3 team for 3rd place. #1 and #2 will play for 1st place.
- The **Open Women** and **Open Men** Divisions contain 3 teams each, and will play a double round robin tournament (6 games each). The standings at the end of round robin play will determine the final standings.
- Ties are permitted during the round robin portion of the tournament, however a winner must be determined during the
- In the case of a tie in the round-robin standings, to determine playoff rankings, **FINA tie-breaking procedures** will be used. (see Bylaw Section BL9.6.3 entitled "Tie-Breaking")  
[\(Click here to view FINA tie-breaking procedures\)](#)
- In the event of a tie during a playoff game, a shoot-out will be held at the end of regulation time.
- **One time out** per team per game during the round robin and playoff games.
- Coaches please ensure that players have caps on and ready at least 10-minutes before game time.
- Coaches please ensure the return of the Counter Ball to the referee or minor official table.
- **Warm up** for the first game begins 15 minutes prior to the start. Warm up for subsequent games begins immediately following the end of the previous games. **Games will begin on time. Please bring your own balls for warm up.**
- Please double-check with the game secretary before the game that the **cap numbers** assigned corresponds to the players' caps on the scoresheet. For **accurate** tournament player **statistics**, all players must wear the **same cap number** assigned to them that was submitted with their **team roster**.
- Please **report** goalie **substitutions** (or other cap # switches) known prior to the game to the **game secretary**. This will allow statistics to be tracked against the appropriate player.
- Any team who forfeits a game will not be eligible for the medal round.
- Please see the Tournament Director if you have **scheduling concerns** for being able to catch departing flights.
- **Score sheets** can be picked up at the "Timing Booth" on the Northwest corner of the pool (the enclosed glass room under the "Saanich Water Polo School" banner). Statistics and scorecards can be found at:  
[\(Click here to go to SWPS website for statistics, scorecards, schedules, etc.\)](#)
- Please avoid walking in front of the minor officiating tables if possible so their game view is unobstructed.
- While every attempt is made to make computer cords secured and tripping hazards minimized, please watch for these to avoid cutting power to Minor Official stations.
- A **hospitality room** is available to coaches, team managers and officials during the weekend.
- **Have fun**, compete hard but fairly, and respect the officials, referees, volunteers, other teams, spectators and Saanich Commonwealth pool staff and facilities. Please help us keep the building as clean as possible by disposing of your trash.
- We would appreciate and welcome any **feedback** you have in making our tournament even better for future events! Please send any comments or suggestions to Saanich Water Polo School at **waterpoloschool@**

**THANKS FOR YOUR COOPERATION!**

