

Referee-in-Chief to be scheduled in such a way as to avoid officials officiating games with teams from the same province they are registered with.

The selection of these individuals is up to the provincial association of the participating team. PSO will ask the CFOA provincial association for nominee and must be sent to Football Canada no later than April 1st.

INSURANCE

Each member of the teams delegation must have Sport Accident and General Liability Insurance through their Provincial Association. Teams participate in this event at its own risk. Neither Football Canada nor the HOC assume any responsibility, up to and including gross negligence, for your team while they are traveling to and from, or on site in the host location. It remains solely the responsibility of the members of your delegation to conduct themselves in a safe and reasonable manner.

The HOC shall take out and carry during the term of the FCWC-U18 2022, comprehensive liability insurance, such coverage to include a third party liability clause for personal injury and property damage for a minimum amount of \$5,000,000 and hereby agrees to cause FOOTBALL CANADA to be designated as a co-insured party under all such insurance coverage. Moreover, the HOC undertakes to furnish to FOOTBALL CANADA a copy of the said insurance policy, designating FOOTBALL CANADA as an additional insured party, at least sixty days prior to FCWC-U18 or fine will be imposed.

RULES & REGULATIONS

TOURNAMENT FORMAT (COMPETITION FORMULA AND GAME LENGTH)

Competition Formula

Outline in the competition section gives the competition formula that is to be used for FCWC-U18 given the number of teams.

Game Length

Play 12-minute quarters, 10 minute half time, 3-down football as in high school.

Exception: 5-team or 7-team format mini-round robin. Please refer to the competition section for details.

SCHEDULING OF GAMES

Games will be scheduled as to allow for a minimum of 48 hours rest between games in which a team is to participate. A three-hour time slot must be made available for each full game scheduled. Please see the competition section for the tentative game schedule.

PLAYING RULES

The Football Canada Women's Under 18 Championship will follow the rules set out in the **2022** Canadian Amateur Rule Book for Tackle Football. In addition to these rules, each team is allowed one hour to warm-up prior to each game and an additional 30 second time out per half.

PLAYER / COACH EJECTION

If there is an ejection (player/coach) at any time during a game, the Referee-in-Chief will make a written recommendation to the Football Canada Women's Under 18 Championship Governing Committee as to the severity of the ejection.

An ejection from the game will not necessarily mean suspension from the next game. The FCWC-U18GC will make that decision within 24 hours based on the severity of the ejection.

The ejected player/coach and the General Manager must be in attendance at the discipline meeting of the FCWC-U18GC. The decision of the FCWC-U18GC will be final and there will be no method of appeal. Please see the competition section of the FCRC technical information package.

OVERTIME PROCEDURES

The overtime procedures for the Football Canada Women's Under 18 Championship are in accordance with the 2022 Canadian Amateur Rule Book for Tackle Football.

MERCY RULE (RUNNING TIMING RULE)

Any time after the first half, if the difference in score between the two teams becomes 35 points or more, the clock will be running time for the remainder of the game, except for injuries, scores, timeouts or any reason the Referee deems necessary to stop the clock. When the clock has been stopped, it will re-start based on rule 1-5-1.

TARGETING RULE

No player shall target and make forcible contact to the head or neck area of an opponent with the helmet, forearm, hand, fist, elbow or shoulder. This foul requires that there be at least one indicator of targeting (See Note below). When in question, it is a foul.

Note:

"Targeting" means that a player takes aim at an opponent for purposes of attacking with forcible contact that goes beyond making a legal tackle or a legal block or playing the ball. Some indicators of targeting include but are not limited to: (1) Launch—a player leaving his feet to attack an opponent by an upward and forward thrust of the body to make forcible contact in the head or neck area (2) A crouch followed by an upward and forward thrust to attack with forcible contact at the head or neck area, even though one or both feet are still on the ground (3) Leading with helmet, shoulder, forearm, fist, hand or elbow to attack with forcible contact at the head or neck area (4) Lowering the head before attacking by initiating forcible contact with the crown of the helmet.

OFFICIALS

A minimum of a 5-person crew is required.

FOOTBALLS

The football to be used will be the Nike Vapor One. If any changes are made to the designated game ball, an announcement will be made prior to their distribution to the teams. Game balls will be provided to be used throughout the games. Footballs will be supplied by Football Canada.

Football Canada will provide each team with 4 game footballs, once the final team deposits are paid.

TEAM JERSEYS

Each participating Province is to forward their team colors to the National Office 6 months before the National Championship takes place. If a possible conflict occurs the National Office will determine what colors are to be issued to the conflicting Provinces.

Jersey must be tucked in and all pads covered.

2022 Team Jerseys:

New Brunswick– Maroon/Grey

Ontario – Red

Manitoba – Black/Gold

Saskatchewan – Green White

Alberta – White/Blue

HEADSETS

Each team is responsible for its own spotter communication headsets. None will be provided by Football Canada or the HOC. Team bench communications must be wireless. If a team has hard wire equipment, they should check with the HOC well in advance of the event.

No electronic communication devices are to be used between Coach and player, unless medically prescribed to be personal hearing devices (e.g. Hearing aids). Medical certification, signed by a medical physician must be presented when applying for approval from the FCWC-U18GC.

VISORS

As a safety precaution players are not allowed to wear colored or tinted visors as per the 2022 Canadian Amateur Rule Book for Tackle Football. All eye shields must be clear, so that the attending medical staff can examine the athlete, should he become injured, without removing the helmet.

GAME FILM

Football Canada and the HOC will ensure that all game films are transferred to teams.

Use of Game film during championship: film is to be used by teams to review all games as preparation, any questions for the governing committee or officials must be submitted no later than 12:00(noon) on the day after game day. Questions must be in writing and include time in game and player numbers. Officials will also have access to film to review game for preparation for next games.

Film can be used to review any rule book or code of ethics violation that places other participants at a safety risk. If a violation is confirmed by the Governing Committee via film