

**Proposed Amendment to the  
University Interscholastic League Constitution and Contest Rules**

***A. Brief Explanation of Proposed Amendment***

This amendment alters Subchapter C, Sections 1220 – 1240, 1260 – 1290, and 1300 – 1340 related to allowable number of tournaments/meets.

***B. Factual and Policy Justifications***

This amendment would restore the allowable number of tournaments/meets for all sports with the exception of football.

***C. Proposed Amendment***

The listed sections of the Constitution and Contest Rules would be amended as follows pending approval of the Legislative Council and the Commissioner of Education:

Section 1220: BASEBALL PLAN

(a) ATHLETIC PURPOSE, CODE, PLAN APPLICABLE. Rules in Sections 1200-1209 also apply to the Baseball Plan.

(b) NUMBER OF GAMES, TOURNAMENTS AND SITES.

(1) *Violations/Penalties.* The District Executive Committee shall determine the penalty for violations of the regulations below.

(2) *Total Number of Games.* No team or student shall compete in more than ~~two~~ THREE invitational tournaments plus 17 baseball games in a season, including all games prior to the first playoff game. This shall include non-district and district games. If the district champions have a bye for the first round of the play-offs, those schools may schedule a warm-up game in addition to the game limits. This additional game shall be played on a non-school night with no loss of school time. Three games may be substituted in place of a tournament. ~~A tournament may be substituted in place of three games. Schools can only utilize this exception to participate in one additional tournament.~~

Section 1230: BASKETBALL PLAN

(3) *Total Number of Games.* No team or student shall compete in more than THREE ~~two~~ invitational tournaments plus 21 basketball games in a season, including all games prior to the first playoff game. This shall include non-district and district games and games played in pre- scheduled district tournaments. If the district champions have a bye for the first round of the play-offs, those schools may schedule a warm-up game in addition to the game limits. This additional game shall be played on a non-school night with no loss of school time. Two games may be substituted in place of a tournament. ~~A tournament may be substituted in place of two games. Schools can only utilize this exception to participate in one additional tournament.~~

Section 1240: CROSS COUNTRY PLAN

(e) MEET LIMITATIONS.

- (1) *Number of Meets.* No student representing a member school shall participate in more than EIGHT ~~seven~~ meets during the school year, excluding one district meet, the regional meet and the state meet. Each meet a school team enters counts as one meet for each participating individual. Students are considered to be representing their school if they are wearing and/or using school equipment or being directed or transported by a school employee. Meets which are limited to three or fewer schools, do not count as a meet for participants, provided there is no loss of school time.

Section 1260: GOLF PLAN

(e) INVITATIONAL TOURNAMENTS.

- (1) *Number of Meets.* No student representing a member school shall participate in more than EIGHT ~~seven~~ tournaments during the school year, excluding one 36-hole maximum district tournament, the regional tournament and the state tournament. Each tournament a school team enters counts as one tournament for each participating individual. Students are considered to be representing their school if they are wearing and/or using school equipment or being directed or transported by a school employee. Tournaments which are limited to three or fewer schools, do not count as a tournament for participants, provided there is no loss of school time.

Section 1270: SOCCER PLAN

- (3) *Total Number of Games.* No team or student shall compete in more than THREE ~~two~~ invitational tournaments plus 15 soccer games in a season, including all games prior to the first playoff game. This shall include non-district and district games and games played in pre-scheduled district tournaments. If the district champion has a bye for the first round of the play-offs, that school may schedule a warm-up game in addition to the game limits. This additional game shall be played on a non-school night with no loss of school time. Two games may be substituted in place of a tournament. ~~A tournament may be substituted in place of two games. Schools can only utilize this exception to participate in one additional tournament.~~

Section 1280: GIRLS' SOFTBALL PLAN

- (2) *Total Number of Games.* No team or student shall compete in more than ~~two~~ THREE invitational tournaments plus 17 softball games in a season, including all games prior to the first playoff game. This shall include non-district and district games. If the district champions have a bye for the first round of the play-offs, those schools may schedule a warm-up game in addition to the game limits. This additional game shall be played on a non-school night with no loss of school time, but may not be played as an exception to the school week limitation. Three games may be substituted in place of a tournament. ~~A tournament may be substituted in place of three games. Schools can only utilize this exception to participate in one additional tournament.~~

Section 1290: SWIMMING PLAN

(f) NUMBER OF MEETS.

- (1) *Number of Meets.* No student representing a member school shall participate in more than EIGHT ~~seven~~ meets during the school year, excluding one district meet, the regional meet and the state meet. Each meet a school team enters counts as one meet for each participating individual. Students are considered to be representing their school if they are wearing and/or using school equipment or being directed or transported by a school employee. Meets which are limited to three or fewer schools, do not count as a meet for participants, provided there is no loss of school time.

Section 1300: TENNIS PLAN (INDIVIDUALS AND DOUBLES)

(e) INVITATIONAL TOURNAMENTS.

- (1) *Number of Tournaments.* No student representing a member school shall participate in more than EIGHT ~~seven~~ tournaments (total for tennis and team tennis combined) during the school year, excluding one district tennis tournament, the regional tournaments and the state tournament. (Note: The team tennis district tournament counts as one of the EIGHT ~~seven~~ allowable tournaments if school time is lost.) Each tournament a school team enters counts as one tournament for each participating individual. Students are considered to be representing their school if they are wearing and/or using school equipment or being directed or transported by a school employee.

Section 1310: TEAM TENNIS PLAN

(f) NUMBER OF MATCHES AND TOURNAMENTS.

- (1) *Number of Tournaments.* No student or team representing a member school shall participate in more than EIGHT ~~seven~~ tournaments (total for tennis and team tennis combined) during the school year, excluding one district tennis tournament, the regional tournaments and the state tournament. Note: The team tennis district tournament counts as one of the EIGHT ~~seven~~ allowable tournaments if school time is lost. Each tournament a school team enters counts as one tournament for the team and one tournament for each participating individual. Students are considered to be representing their school if they are wearing and/or using school equipment or being directed or transported by a school employee.

Section 1320: TRACK AND FIELD PLAN.

(m) INVITATIONAL TRACK AND FIELD MEETS.

- (1) *Number of Meets.* No student representing a member school shall participate in more than EIGHT ~~seven~~ meets during the school year, excluding one district meet, the area meet, the regional meet, a regional qualifiers meet and the state meet. Meets which are limited to three or fewer schools, do not count as a meet for participants, provided there is no loss of school time. Each meet a school enters counts as one meet for each participating individual. Students are considered to be representing their school if they are wearing and/or using school equipment or being directed or transported by a school employee.

Section 1330: GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL PLAN.

- (3) *Total Number of Games, Matches, Tournaments.* No team or student shall compete in more than THREE ~~two~~ invitational tournaments plus 23 matches in a season, including all matches prior to the first playoff match. This shall include non-district and district matches. If the district champions have a bye for the first round of the play-offs, those schools may schedule a warm-up match in addition to the match limits. This additional match shall be played on a non-school night with no loss of school time. Two matches may be substituted in place of a tournament. ~~A tournament may be substituted in place of two matches. Schools can only utilize this exception to participate in one additional tournament.~~

Section 1340: WRESTLING PLAN.

(d) MEETS AND TOURNAMENTS.

- (1) *Number of Tournaments.* No student representing a member school shall participate in more than EIGHT ~~seven~~ tournaments during the school season excluding one district tournament and the regional and state tournaments. Each tournament the school team enters counts as one meet for each participating individual. Students are considered to be representing their school if they are wearing and/or using school equipment or being directed or transported by a school employee.

***D. Potential Fiscal Impact of the Proposed Rule to Member Schools***

This proposal will have a fiscal impact only on schools who choose to participate in these restored contests. Of those schools that do play additional games, the fiscal impact could vary due to travel and other costs.

***E. Legislative Council Consideration; Effective Date***

If approved by the Legislative Council and the Commissioner of Education, this amendment shall be effective August 1, 2017.