

Shore Conference of High Schools



*“Let the coaches coach, let the players play,
let the officials officiate, and let the spectators respectfully spectate.”*

Rules and Regulations Spring 2017-2018

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SHORE CONFERENCE OF HIGH SCHOOLS

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2016-2017

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RULE 1
(Baseball)

- A. National Federation Baseball rules, with NJSIAA rule modifications, shall govern all games with such additions and exceptions set forth herein.
- B. For VARSITY games that end in a “tie,” the seven-day (7) rule is waived, and the costs associated with umpires shall be shared by the two (2) schools.
- C. It is recommended that the home team should begin infield practice forty (40) minutes prior to the scheduled game time (max. fifteen-minute (15) time limit). The visiting team shall take practice (max. fifteen-minute (15) time limit) following the home team.
- D. Pre-game batting practice shall be permitted on the day of a Shore Conference baseball game involving two (2) Shore Conference teams. Batting practice shall end forty (40) minutes before the official starting game time.
- E. In the event of a postponement of any divisional baseball game, same shall be made up within seven (7) days.
 - 1. If, however, as the result of circumstances beyond the control of the two (2) schools, the postponed game has not been played by the eighth (8th) day, both member schools shall advise the President of the Shore Conference in writing (same shall be delivered to the President on the eighth (8th) day) of the reason for having failed to play the game within the seven-day (7) period. The President shall determine whether a forfeit of one (1) or both schools is required by their actions in failing to comply with this baseball rule.
 - 2. This rule applies to VARSITY games only.
 - 3. If both schools fail to report the missed game in accordance with the rule, both shall receive forfeit losses for the game.
 - 4. The decision of the Conference President with respect to these procedures is non-appealable and not subject to the filing of a protest.

RULE 2
(Basketball)

- A. National Federation Basketball rules, with NJSIAA rules modifications, shall govern all games with such additions and exceptions set forth herein.
- B. Cheerleaders shall be seated during the actual playing time of all games and shall be permitted one (1) cheer during a charged time out.

- C. It is recommended that member schools schedule only two (2) divisional games during the week prior to the start of the Shore Conference Tournament. The purpose is to allow the rescheduling of divisional postponements.
- D. The official timer for all VARSITY contests shall be an adult.
- E. Balls and water shall be supplied by the home team.
- F. Only players for the contest shall be permitted on the floor during halftime and between games.
- G. At the discretion of the home team, a third (3rd) official may be added to VARSITY games.

RULE 3
(Bowling)

- A. The United States Bowling Congress, with NJSIAA rule modifications, shall govern all games with such additions and exceptions as may be set forth herein.
- B. When a team has less than a full complement of bowlers, a score of zero (0) for each open position shall be used for the purpose of determining a score.

RULE 4
(Cross Country)

- A. National Federation rules, with NJSIAA modifications, shall govern with such additions and exceptions as may be set forth herein.
- B. No team shall be compelled to run until it is familiar with the course, spotters assigned, and course determined.
- C. Order of events for meets shall be: VARSITY, JV, and FROSH

RULE 5
(Field Hockey)

- A. National Federation Rules, with NJSIAA rule modifications, shall govern all matches with such additions and exceptions as may be set forth herein.
- B. It is recommended that all sub-varsity games consist of two thirty (30) minute halves of running time, with stoppage for goals, strokes and injuries.

- C. Overtime shall consist of one (1) “sudden victory” period of ten (10) minutes. Teams shall consist of six (6) field players and one (1) goal keeper. Refer to NJSIAA tie-breaking procedures.

RULE 6
(Football)

- A. National Federation Rules, with NJSIAA rule modifications, shall govern all games with such additions and exceptions as may be set forth herein.
- B. A licensed physician or first-aid squad shall be available at all VARSITY games.
- C. Postponements shall be declared no later than three (3) hours prior to game time. It is strongly recommended that postponed games be played the following day at a mutually agreed upon time.
- D. The electronic scoreboard shall be the official time and must be operated by a certified official. If the clock is inoperative, or becomes inoperative at any time during the game, the official time shall be kept on the field.
- E. The chain crew should be comprised of officials. In the event officials are not available, adults should be used, not minors. All members of the chain crew shall wear uniformed vests supplied by the home team.
- F. The home team shall reserve seats for the visiting band.
- G. All sub-varsity games shall use (10) minute quarters.
- H. Faculty ID and/or Shore Conference passes for home/away game admission are permissible.
- I. Sideline passes shall only be issued to personnel involved in the game. No one shall be allowed on the sideline without a sideline pass issued by the home school.
- J. The Shore Conference football film and video (collectively “Video”) exchange rule is MANDATORY and shall be performed in accordance with the following:
 - 1. All scrimmages and games may be scouted and recorded;
 - 2. Scouting and/or recording opponents’ practices is PROHIBITED;
 - 3. Except as otherwise provided herein, it is mandatory for a minimum of two (2) Videos to be exchanged between the two (2) competing coaches;
 - 4. Coaches may request any two (2) films or videos of games played that year and more Videos may be exchanged with the mutual consent of the two (2) competing coaches;

5. Responsibility to contact regarding the request for the Videos rests with the head coaches for the upcoming game;
 6. For first regular season game, coaches shall exchange the Video of last “game scrimmage”;
 7. For second regular season game, coaches shall exchange the last “game scrimmage” Video and the first game Video;
 8. For other regular season games, coaches shall exchange two (2) games of each coach’s choice;
 9. Videos may be requested at least one (1) week prior to a schools’ upcoming contest (except when a school has a BYE week, in which case the exchange shall take place following the last regularly scheduled game of the team that has the BYE week); and
 10. The Video exchange shall be made by 12:00 p.m. on Sunday for any requests for games played prior to that week. For requests for games played that week, the exchange must take place by 5:30 p.m. on Monday (playoffs are not considered regularly scheduled games).
- K. The home team shall provide equal and comparable vantage point for up to three (3) people from the visiting team.
- L. No coaches shall be permitted in the end zone during the game.
- M. Cameras are permissible in the end zone; however, the person(s) filming is not permitted to communicate with any member of the coaching staff during the game or at halftime.
- N. There shall be a minimum of five (5) carded officials for each of the VARSITY games.
- O. Junior Varsity games shall be played the Monday following the Varsity game at the OPPOSITE site, and teams shall wear the SAME color jersey as the varsity game of that week.
- P. Freshmen games shall be played at the OPPOSITE site and shall wear the SAME color jersey as the varsity game of that week.
- Q. Pre-Game Procedures:
1. Teams shall leave field twenty-five (25) minutes prior to game time;
 2. Visiting bands shall perform at the conclusion of the pre-game warmups, and shall conclude their performance ten (10) minutes prior to scheduled game time;

3. Teams shall return to the field ten (10) minutes prior to scheduled game time;
4. The introduction of the starting lineups shall begin ten (10) minutes prior to scheduled game time; and
5. The home team shall present the colors and the home team band shall play the National Anthem from the bleachers.

R. Halftime Procedures:

1. Fifteen (15) minutes is the recommended time-period for halftime and said time shall period shall begin upon the departure of both teams from the playing field, however, the time-period may be increased to a maximum of twenty (20) minutes, provided opponents have been notified no later than five (5) minutes prior to game time;
2. By mutual agreement of the coaches, halftime may be reduced to a minimum of ten (10) minutes; and
3. Mandatory warmup activities following halftime shall be three (3) minute, the officials are responsible starting and posting the three (3) minute warmup period on the clock immediately upon the expiration of halftime, and the head coach is responsible for his team being on the field for the mandatory warmup time at the end of the scheduled halftime.

S. Post-Game Procedures:

1. Victory marches are PROHIBITED; and
2. Both teams shall exit the field in an orderly, sportsmanlike manner.

T. Communication:

1. In the event there are any issues, questions, or concerns that arise during the course of the game in the opinion of either or both teams, the Athletic Directors, if available, shall serve as each team's primary designee to discuss, communicate, and seek to resolve any such issues, questions, or concerned.
2. To the extent practicable, all issues, questions, or concerns can should be addressed BEFORE game time.

RULE 7
(Golf)

- A. The USGA rules, with NJSIAA and Shore Conference rule modifications, shall govern all matches with such additions and exceptions as may be set forth herein.

- B. All golf matches shall be medal (stroke) play using five (5) members of each team. Each match is an individual match for the purpose of the USGA rules. Teammates who are playing in the same foursome are permitted to confer with each other throughout the match. Composite scores of the lowest four (4) scores shall determine the winner.
- C. Any team match which ends in a tie shall be determined by the fifth (5th) best score of the five (5) players listed on the official scoreboard. If the fifth (5th) best score is the same, the winner shall be determined by the school with the lowest individual score. If the tie is still not broken, the next lowest individual score will be used until the tie is broken. If all five (5) scores are identical, then the match shall be considered a tie.
- D. Coaches shall either play or walk in the middle of the groups in order to supply any necessary rulings. Coaches and/or extra players are not permitted to walk around and/or consult/assist any competing players.
- E. No spectators are permitted to walk the golf course during any dual, tri-, or quad- boys or girls golf matches, or during the Conference Tournament.
- F. A written lineup card shall be exchanged by the coaches prior to the beginning of the match. The lineup card shall include printed first and last names, plus divisional and overall team records.
- G. Stacking of lineups shall not be permitted. Number 1 players shall play in first position, number 2 players in second position, etc.
- H. Golf carts may be used if permitted by the course where the match is played.
- I. Preferred lies in a player's own fairway are permitted. The ball may be moved by the club or hand six (6) inches, but no closer to the hole.
- J. No player shall be permitted to continue play on any hole where that player's strokes equal to double Par plus one (1). In the event that a player reaches double Par plus one (1), that player shall pick his/her ball up and that shall be the player's official score for that hole(reason: speed up play).
- K. All conference teams shall be dressed in uniform or other appropriate attire (long pants/golf length shorts and collared golf shirt) during matches. Jeans, cut-off shorts, or other casual wear not designed for or related to golf play are forbidden. The host course dress code shall be adhered to at all times.
- L. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the host course playing rules shall be adhered to at all times, and shall supersede any/all rules and regulations.

RULE 8
(Gymnastics)

- A. National Federation rules, with NJSIAA rule modifications, shall govern all meets with such additions and exceptions as may be set forth herein.
- B. All dual meets shall have at least one (1) certified official. It is recommended that two (2) officials be assigned to each meet.
- C. Each member school shall be limited to five (5) participants per event.

RULE 9
(Ice Hockey)

- A. National Federation rules, with NJSIAA rule modifications, shall govern all matches with such additions and exceptions as may be set forth herein.

RULE 10
(Lacrosse – Girls)

- A. The NCAA rules and USWLA rules, with NJSIAA rule modifications, shall govern all games with such additions and exceptions as may be herein set forth.
- B. All sub-varsity games shall consist of two (2) twenty-five (25) minute halves of running time, with stoppage for goals and/or injuries.
- C. A game is considered “legal and complete” if eighty-percent (80%), which is forty (40) minutes, of the playing time has elapsed.

RULE 11
(Lacrosse – Boys)

- A. The NCAA rules and USMLA rules, with NJSIAA rule modifications, shall govern all games with such additions and exceptions as may be set forth herein.
- B. All sub-varsity games shall consist of four (4), ten (10) minute periods.
- C. If a game is terminated due to inclement weather after completion of the first half and one team is ahead, that team shall be declared the winner. Should the score be tied and play is terminated after completion of the first half, the match shall be declared a tie.

RULE 12
(Soccer)

- A. National Federation rules, with NJSIAA modifications, shall govern all matches with such additions and exceptions as may be set forth herein.
- B. It is recommended that the official timer of all VARSITY games be an adult.
- C. A soccer player shall (on all levels) be limited to three (3) halves of soccer per day, and nine (9) halves of soccer per week. Overtime periods are considered an extension of the second half. A four-game week, as per NJSIAA rules, shall allow for twelve (12) halves of soccer for that week.
- D. Sub-varsity games shall be two (2), thirty (30) minute halves. No overtime for sub-varsity games. JV games shall be followed by the Freshman game.
- E. Two (2) NJSIAA officials shall be assigned to each game; however, the game shall still be played if only one (1) official reports to the game site.
- F. At the home school's discretion, a third (3rd) official may be added (VARSITY only).

RULE 13
(Softball)

- A. National Federation rules, with NJSIAA modifications, shall govern all matches with such additions and exceptions as may be set forth herein.
- B. Pre-game batting practice shall be permitted on the day of a Shore Conference game involving two (2) Shore Conference teams. Batting practice must end thirty (30) minutes before the official starting time.

RULE 14
(Swimming)

- A. National Federation rules, with NJSIAA modifications, shall govern all matches with such additions and exceptions as may be set forth herein.
- B. All interscholastic meets involving Shore Conference team shall be scored based on swimming events only; diving events shall not count toward any team scores.

RULE 15
(Tennis)

- A. USTA rules, with NJSIAA modifications, shall govern all matches with such additions and exceptions as may be set forth herein.

- B. Participants shall be required to wear tennis uniforms. Jeans, cut-off shorts, or other casual wear not defined for tennis play is forbidden.

RULE 16
(Track – Outdoor)

- A. National Federation rules, with NJSIAA modifications, shall govern all matches with such additions and exceptions as may be set forth herein.
- B. Order of Events for Dual Track and Field Meets:

JUMPS	TRACK	FIELD
Long Jump	400 IH	Shot Put
High Jump and Pole Vault	100m	Discus
Triple Jump (after 4 x 400 relays)	1600m	Javelin
	400m	
	100/110 HH	
	800m	
	200m	
	3200m	
	4 x 400m relay	

- C. Order of Events for Double-Dual Track and Field Meets

Jumps	Track (Girls 1st)	Field (Girls 1st) @ @ @
Long Jump (Open Pit) Girls and Boys (75 minutes)	400 IH	Shot Put
	100m	Discus
Girls HJ and PV followed by Boys HJ and PV***	1600m	Javelin
	400m	
Triple Jump (Open Pit) at conclusion of Long Jump Girls and Boys (75 minutes)	100/110 HH	
	800m	
	200m	
	3200m ###	
	4 x 400m relay	

- boys and girls may be combined for this race

*** - Girls HJ and PV should begin by the start of the 400m on the track

@ @ @ - if enough officials, field events may be conducted in the following order: (1) Girls Shot and Boys Discus; (2) Girls Discus and Boys Shot; and (3) Boys Javelin followed by Girls Javelin.

- D. The track shall be lined completely and correctly for all track and field events.
- E. It is strongly recommended that any individual acting as an official be an adult.
- F. Safety procedures for the Javelin throw event have been recommended by the Shore Conference Track and Field committee and the NJSIAA. These procedures have been approved as minimum guidelines for member schools by the Executive Committee.

RULE 17
(Volleyball)

- A. National Federation rules, with NJSIAA modifications, shall govern all matches with such additions and exceptions as may be set forth herein.
- B. Warmup shall be as follows:
 - 1. Varsity Matches: (i) seven (7) minutes common; (ii) seven (7) minutes home team hitting; and (iii) seven (7) minutes visiting team hitting.
 - 2. Sub-Varsity Matches: (i) six (6) minutes common; (ii) six (6) minutes home team hitting; and (iii) six (6) minutes visiting team hitting.

RULE 18
(Wrestling)

- A. National Federation rules, with NJSIAA modifications, shall govern all matches with such additions and exceptions as may be set forth herein.
- B. Water shall be provided by the home team.

RULE 19
(Scheduling)

- A. Scheduling for all sports should proceed along the following order of priority: (1) State Tournament; (2) Shore Conference Tournament; (3) Shore Conference Divisional Contest; (4) Shore Conference non-Divisional Contest; (5) County Tournament; and (6) Sub-varsity Tournament.

RULE 20
(General Program Regulations for Spectator Conduct)

- A. The rules of conduct apply to all Shore Conference events, including regular and post-season competitions.

- B. Artificial noisemakers are prohibited by NJSIAA rules and are not permitted at any event. This includes bells, whistles, thunder sticks, clappers, balloons, megaphones (excluding cheerleaders), and horns.
- C. Body painting is not permitted, nor are bare chests.
- D. All signs must be hung on walls and shall show only positive support. Those that direct negative comments toward opponents or are unsportsmanlike are not permitted. Visiting teams may not bring banners/signs to hang at host school's venue. Flags are not permitted at indoor facilities or bleachers.
- E. Teams may run through banners that are positive and show good sportsmanship. Supervised pep bands are allowed at all events. Face painting is allowed, provided it was done prior to entering the venue. Rally towels are allowed. Foam fingers are also allowed, provided they are not blocking the view of spectators.
- F. Shore Conference passes for administrators shall admit two (2) persons; all other passes shall admit one (1) person.
- G. If a member school is compelled to postpone an athletic event because of adverse weather conditions or due to the closing of school because of adverse weather conditions, said school shall be excused from fulfilling any athletic contracts on that day.
- H. The home team shall determine the starting time for all events.
- I. A protest may not be filed that calls into question the judgment of an official.
- J. A school fielding a team must participate in the Shore Conference schedule pertaining to that sport.
- K. Tie games shall count as one (1) point for each school in all Shore Conference play. A win shall count as two (2) points. No points shall be given for a loss.
- L. At least six (6) teams must be available to organize a division, with the exception of new sports programs or other special circumstances, as approved by the Executive Committee.
- M. Scouting is PROHIBITED for all practices in all sports. All scrimmages may be scouted and filmed.
- N. All conference teams must be dressed in a school-approved uniform or other appropriate attire during games or matches.
- O. With respect to all sports, each member school shall be prohibited from scheduling schools outside their division and within the Shore Conference until the scheduler has released the applicable schedule for that sport.

- P. The National Federation safety rules regarding cheerleading shall govern all Shore Conference contests.
- Q. Shore Conference Divisional Championship Guidelines shall be as follows:
1. Division Championships are awarded based on won/loss record;
 2. Shore Conference Tournament Championships shall follow established guidelines and there shall be only one (1) overall Shore Conference Champion (excluding Ice Hockey);
 3. Divisions which include non-public and public school members shall award a divisional championship to the non-public and public school that finished either first or second, and no divisional championship shall be awarded for a third-place finish;
 4. If two (2) non-public schools or public schools tie for first (1st), the subsequent non-public or public school that finishes second (2nd) shall be awarded a division championship;
 5. If two (2) non-public schools or two (2) public schools tie for second (2nd) place, both schools shall be awarded a division championship.
 6. The champion, co-champion, or tri-champion in each division shall receive entrance into the Shore Conference Tournament.
 7. All divisional games must be completed to award a team a championship.
- R. All tournament information and entry forms will be posted on the Shore Conference website.

RULE 21

(Shore Conference Tournament Seeding Procedures)

- A. A Varsity Team accumulating three (3) or more player or coach disqualifications for flagrant or unsportsmanlike conduct prior to the start of the Shore Conference Tournament shall not be eligible to participate in the Shore Conference Tournament. Seeded Teams will forfeit their right to compete if a disqualification limit is reached prior to the start of the tournament.
- B. Seeding Committee.
1. The seeding committee is charged with the task of seeding the teams in their respective tournament. Every effort must be made to ensure that the teams are seeded fairly and without prejudice to one's own school.

2. It is recommended that each division will be represented by a coach on the seeding committee.
3. The tournament director shall send notice to all schools requesting interest from their respective coaches to serve on the seeding committee. The representative shall serve one (1) year and will be selected by the tournament director.
4. The tournament director shall send out a notice listing the seeding committee to all athletic directors so that it may be shared with coaches to enhance communication. Where appropriate, each divisional representative shall poll the coaches in their division for their input prior to the seeding meeting. The divisional representative shall use the consensus of his/her divisional coaches with respect to seeding the tournament.
5. Tournament approval by the Executive Committee may supersede D-1, 2, 3 and 4.

C. Team Selection Process

1. Where appropriate, it recommended that the following procedure be used for ranking teams:
 - i. Each representative shall submit a ballot listing all the teams in rank order from #1 through as many teams that qualify;
 - ii. Each team receives the numerical value of their rank – number-one (#1) team = 1 point, number-twelve (#12) team = 12 points, number twenty-four (#24) team = 24 points); and
 - iii. Team with lowest total points is seeded number one (#1), and so on.
2. Divisional Champions, Co-Champions, or Tri-Champions in each division shall receive entrance into the Shore Conference Tournament.
3. Seeding shall not be altered so as to avoid seasonal divisional opponents.
4. Suggested criteria to be considered for tie-breaking and final seeding: (i) head to head; (ii) common opponents; and/or (iii) record against higher-seeded teams.
5. It is the responsibility, within reason, for schools to complete their division schedules prior to any and all seeding meetings.

D. Miscellaneous

1. Conference tournaments shall be open to those teams with a five-hundred (.500) won/loss record at the time of the cutoff date, with the except of girls' boys' tennis. All game results shall be used for seeding, including games played AFTER the cutoff date.

- i. The Shore Conference Executive Committee may waive the five-hundred (.500) won/loss record requirement upon petition and request by the tournament directors.
2. All Shore Conference member schools, if qualified, shall participate in all conference tournaments unless they file a written withdrawal with the conference secretary before the official NJSIAA start date for regular season contests. There shall be no appeals without a proven medical reason. The decision of the conference president with respect to medical appeals is final and not subject to protest.
3. The cutoff date for all tournaments shall be stated in the individual tournament regulations.
4. All officials for Shore Conference tournament contests shall be selected by the tournament director in conjunction with the assignor for that sport.
5. Pursuant to the Shore Conference Constitution, the Executive Committee possesses the authority and discretion to issue exceptions and amendments to all Rules & Regulations.

RULE 22

(Shore Conference Tournament Administrative Procedures)

- A. There is hereby added to the Rules and Regulations of the Shore Conference of High Schools a Rule 22 to establish, supplement, and provide additional time limits, guidelines, and procedures relating to all Shore Conference Championships and Tournament Events per the Shore Conference Executive Committee.
- B. All tournament reports from tournament directors shall be submitted to the Shore Conference Tournament Manager for review and approval as soon as reasonably possible, and, thereafter, the report shall be submitted by the tournament director and tournament manager to the Shore Conference treasurer no later than twenty-eight (28) days following the completion of the tournament for review and/or approval, and, thereafter, said report and recommendation of the treasurer shall be submitted to the Shore Conference Executive Committee for its consideration and action.
 1. It shall be the primary and continuing responsibility of the tournament manager for the submission of said reports to the treasurer in a timely fashion and to assure that same are in fact complete and correct as to tournament finances and approved tournament guidelines and procedures in accordance with the tournament proposal approval by the Executive Committee and in accordance with Shore Conference procedures and any and all requests of the Shore Conference treasurer.

2. The tournament manager and the Shore Conference treasurer shall review and approval of the reports for compliance with the applicable requirements, and, thereafter, the treasurer shall submit reports deemed compliant to the Executive Committee. The reports shall be submitted at least twenty-one (21) days in advance of the Shore Conference Executive Committee monthly meeting wherein same shall be considered for review, approval, and/or other action.
 3. As per past practice of the Shore Conference Executive Committee, no final approval action shall be taken with respect to any tournament championship report unless the same has also complied with the requirements of the Shore Conference Executive Committee (and, as may be applicable, the Finance sub-committee and the Shore Conference treasurer and as may be further directed by the Shore Conference president). The tournament manager shall continue to be responsible for oversight of these procedures and the timeliness of same and as may be further directed by the president and Executive Committee.
 4. Pursuant to Shore Conference procedures, all payments by the Shore Conference involving tournaments shall continue to be subject to the proper signature of approved vouchers and/or executed, certified payroll sheets in a form as required by the treasurer of the Shore Conference and the procedures of said office. There shall be no cash payments.
- C. All tournament directors, site directors, and all those associated with the operations of Shore Conference tournaments, championships, and daily operations shall, in fact, be school employees of New Jersey Boards of Education, New Jersey non-public, and/or private schools (including: administrators, athletic directors, teachers, and/or other persons and appointees associated with said New Jersey schools – and those with New Jersey certifications and/or sixty (60) credits and/or members of the Shore Conference Executive Committee). Tournament oversight and responsibility continues to be that of the tournament director and the Shore Conference Tournament Manager.
- D. As a supplement to section 3, with respect to Shore Conference tournaments and championships, all “officials” for said tournament and championship events shall be NJSIAA registered and certified in accordance with NJSIAA constitution and by-laws and rules and regulations. Officials are considered independent contractors and are not employees of the Shore Conference. The NJSIAA certifies and registers athletic officials in New Jersey. Thus, only NJSIAA licensed, registered, and carded officials shall be permitted to officiate at Shore Conference tournaments and championships as sponsored directly by the Shore Conference of High Schools, a New Jersey non-profit corporation.
- E. All tournament directors, as well as the tournament manager of the Shore Conference, shall ensure that all proposed agreements for semi-final and/or final tournament events and sites are submitted for approval by the Shore Conference Executive Committee prior to the execution of any such agreement (only the Executive Committee may approve and execute agreements). The choice of sites and all tournament provisions shall require the approval and action of the Shore Conference Executive Committee. The Shore

Conference Executive Committee possesses the authority and discretion to delegate additional responsibilities and powers to the Shore Conference president, president-elect, past-president, secretary, treasurer, and/or tournament manager relating any issues arising out of and/or relating to the foregoing proposals and agreements in the event of an “emergency.”

- F. The amendments herein set forth are additions to the rules and regulations of the Shore Conference of High Schools. The requirements and responsibilities of the tournament manager are set forth in Article V – Administration, Section 18, of the Shore Conference of High School Constitution.
- G. Rule 22 has resulted from input of the Shore Conference Executive Committee, secretary, treasurer, its officers, and its appointed ad-hoc Finance sub-committee. Same was adopted in accordance with Article XIII of Amendments of the Constitution.