

CIF Article 50

ARTICLE 50 GENERAL RULES

500. AUTHORIZED PARTICIPATION

- A. All athletic activities in sports approved by the CIF involving two or more member schools must be held under rules and regulations of the participating schools' respective league, Section and the CIF.
- B. Ineligible students shall not compete as representatives of the school in any competition involving CIF-member schools.
- C. In any CIF competition, only the following person(s) shall be permitted to participate:
- (1) An attached athlete (representing a CIF-member school);
 - (2) An official entrant (earning points for a CIF-member school).
- D. "Exhibition" competition (such as, but not limited to, fifth quarter, open lane and open court competition) involving CIF-member schools may be allowed as an adjunct to regular CIF competition, provided that:
- (1) Duly-appointed coaches (as specified in Bylaw 506) and contest officials are present and supervising the activity; AND
 - (2) Such contests count toward the competing individual's allowable maximum number of contests; AND
 - (3) A team score is not kept or recorded; AND
 - (4) Such team competition is not conducted concurrently with the regulation CIF competition (See NOTE below); AND
 - (5) Such team competition is held at the same site, immediately preceding or following the regulation competition (See NOTE below); AND
 - (6) Such team competition is shorter in duration than the regulation competition in that sport (See NOTE below); AND
 - (7) Participants in such competition shall not compete in any regulation CIF competition in the same sport during the same day or event; AND
 - (8) Participants in such competition represent their own school of enrollment (i.e., competition on a "rainbow" team and/or a team made up of students representing two or more schools is prohibited); AND
 - (9) Written permission is granted for such competition by the principals of all schools involved; AND
 - (10) Participants in such competition meet all eligibility requirements of the State CIF, Section and league.

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NOTE: For purposes of this bylaw, team sports are designated as the following: baseball, basketball, field hockey, football, lacrosse, soccer, softball, volleyball and water polo.

501. CONTESTS SUBJECT TO CIF ELIGIBILITY RULES

- A. All CIF eligibility rules apply in all games including practice games.
- B. With Section approval, each school year a school may engage in one interschool play day activity per CIF-approved sport with any students not involved in that sport's interscholastic athletic program, as long as the schools involved agree in writing to indemnify and hold harmless Sections and the State CIF and willingly accept full and complete responsibility for the health and safety of their students involved in the aforementioned activity.
- C. **DEFINITION OF A PLAYDAY:** An organized recreational activity involving teams from two or more high schools wherein the participants are not currently participating or have not been participating as a member of their school interscholastic team in that sport during the previous 12 calendar months preceding the date of the play day.

502. OUTSIDE TEAMS

- A. No school belonging to the CIF shall compete, scrimmage or practice with any team outside the jurisdiction of the Federation without the consent of the Section involved. A school disregarding this rule may be barred from participation in that sport during the following season.
- B. In order to grant athletic opportunities to students who attend schools that, for a limited amount of time cannot afford to offer a sport, an "outside team" consisting of students from these schools may be formed and may scrimmage or practice against a CIF-member school provided the following:
- (1) A district board or private school governance board states that a program is not affordable for a limited time to be designated by the district board or the private school board.