

**SPECIFIC REGULATIONS
2023-2024 DIVISION 3 FUTSAL
PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

Note: In the event of any discrepancy between the French and English versions of these regulations, the French version shall prevail.

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Note : ** New article
* Modification to the article

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Article 1 **Official Regulations in use**

- 1.1 The official regulations of the game are issued by Soccer Québec.
- 1.2 Nevertheless, the following RSEQ Sport-Specific Regulations take precedence over the Official Regulations.
- 1.3 The RSEQ High School Governing Rules must be respected at all times.

Article 2 **Age Categories***

Category	Date of birth for 2023-2024 season
Bantam	From October 1, 2009 to September 30, 2011
Midget	From October 1, 2007 to September 30, 2009
Juvenile	From July 1, 2005 to September 30, 2007

Article 3 **Composition of the delegation**

- 3.1 An RSEQ regional association may enter one or more teams per category, per gender to the delegation, formed as follows:

Student-athletes:	8 (minimum) / 15 (maximum)
Coach/Chaperone	maximum of 6 coaches/chaperones per team and maximum of 3 persons on the players' bench

- 3.2 Each team may enter up to fifteen (15) players on the enrollment form and only those players will be allowed to participate in the championship. There must, however, be a minimum of eight (8) active players, including the goaltender, for the first game of the championship.

For subsequent games in a championship, there must be a minimum of five (5) active players to begin a game (if justifiable due to an injury, for medical reasons or a penalty received for one or more cards during the championship).

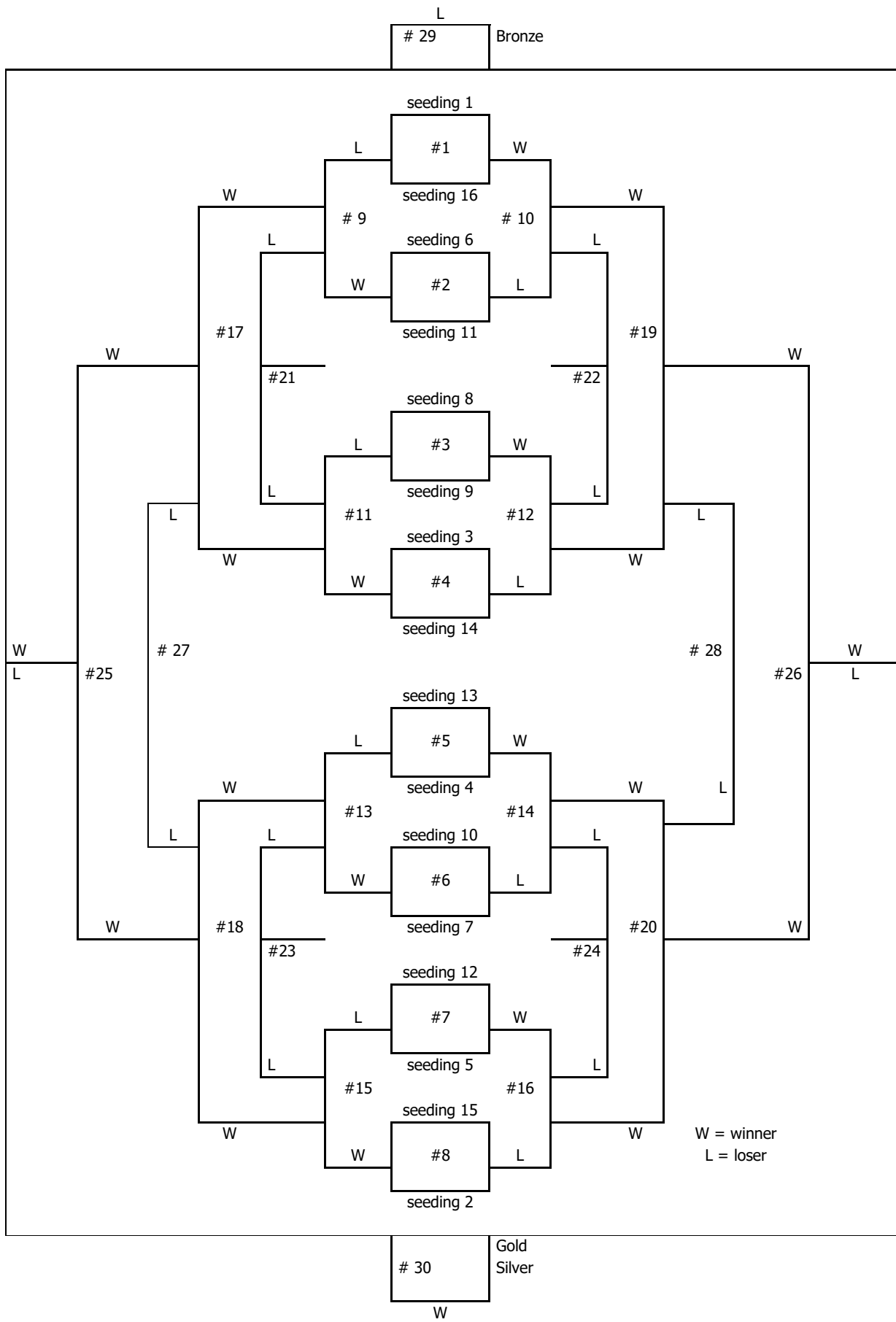
- 3.3 If after a five (5) minute delay a team is not ready to play with the minimum required number in its line-up, the game is cancelled and the team at fault forfeits.
- 3.4 Eligibility of student athletes for the provincial school championship
A player who participates on a D3 team is eligible to play on a D2 or D1 team for a maximum of 3 games. Upon their 4th participation, this player loses their eligibility for the D3 provincial school championship.

Article 4 **Game format**

4.1 Double elimination 16-team tournament

4.2 Futsal draw – 16-teams

Note: The official scheduled championship game numbers must correspond to the game layout in the present regulation.



4.3

Ranking of teams:

# 1	Winner of game 30
# 2	Loser of game 30
# 3	Winner of game 29
# 4	Loser of game 29
# 5	Winner of game 28
# 6	Winner of game 27
# 7	Loser of game 28
# 8	Loser of game 27
# 9	Winner of game 22
# 10	Winner of game 23
# 11	Winner of game 24
# 12	Winner of game 21
# 13	Loser of game 22
# 14	Loser of game 23
# 15	Loser of game 24
# 16	Loser of game 21

Article 5 **Seeding of teams**

The Provincial RSEQ is responsible for seeding the 16 teams.

Seeding is done according to the following criteria based on the previous year's results:

- Juvenile ranking: 2/3 of the Juvenile ranking and 1/3 of the Midget ranking
- Midget ranking: 50% of the Midget ranking and 50% of the Bantam ranking
- Bantam ranking: the previous year's championship ranking

The RSEQ reserves the right to change the seeding process so that teams from the same region are not placed in the same section at the start of the championship.

N.B. If there is a tie among the combined rankings, priority will be given based on the category's ranking.

In the event of a withdrawal after the seeding information is published, if teams from the same region are placed in the same section, these two teams must play their first game of the championship against each other.

The RSEQ submits the official layout to the organizing committee and RSEQ regional associations by no later than 30 days before the start of the championship.

Article 6 **Duration of games**

6.1*

Games are comprised of 2 x 20-minute, untimed periods. In regular time, the match may be extended to make up for stoppage time. It may also be extended to make up for unplanned game stoppages (injuries, etc.). The length of recovery time to make up for these time-outs is at all times at the referee's discretion.

6.1.2** When there is a score differential of seven (7) points after half-time, the coach of the losing team may ask the referee to end the game.

6.2 Overtime

6.2.1 Preliminary rounds

If there is a tie at the end of the game in regular time, there will be a penalty shootout and the two (2) teams must complete three (3) kicks on the goal.

If a tie persists, kicks continue to be taken in the same order until one team has scored one goal more than the other after the same number of kicks.

6.2.2 Semi-finals and finals

In the event of a tie, there will be only one overtime period lasting five (5) minutes. The five (5) minutes must be played out completely. If a tie persists, there will be three (3) obligatory penalty kicks on the goal and if there is still a tie, each team will have one kick on the goal until a winner is declared.

Article 7 **Official ball**

BADEN FUTSAL Ball size 4 – MODEL S340LB

Article 8 **Student-athlete or coach ejection during a championship**

8.1 If a student-athlete or coach receives a red card, they must immediately leave the gymnasium and they receive an automatic suspension from the subsequent game (including in playoffs).

8.2 A student-athlete or coach who receives two (2) ejections is automatically disqualified from the championship.

8.3 An automatic one (1) game suspension shall be imposed for each series of three (3) yellow cards received.

Any participant who receives two (2) yellow cards during the same game is ejected and automatically suspended for one (1) game. These yellow cards will not be counted in the yellow card total. If a player has received a yellow card prior to receiving a direct red card, that yellow card will be added to the total number of cards.

8.4* If a team receives two (2) ejections in the same game, the team forfeits the game (any combination of players and coaches). The game ends immediately.

8.5 If a coach is ejected, they must be replaced by an eligible person 18 years or older. At all times, this person must be enrolled on the game sheet before the game's kick-off and on the bench at the time of the expulsion.

8.6 It is the coach's responsibility to know how many cards their team has

accumulated.

Article 9 **Playing field**

Championships are played in rectangular gymnasiums with dimensions ranging from 16m to 25m (minimum dimensions) and 25m to 42m (maximum dimensions) and may have a variety of floor surfaces, excluding artificial turf.

Article 10 **Student-athletes' equipment**

If two (2) teams arrive on the playing field with jerseys that are likely to cause confusion, the host team is obliged to change their jerseys and/or bibs.

Article 11 **Referees**

Each game is judged by two (2) referees who possess Futsal referee training recognized by Soccer Québec.

Article 12 **Awards**

12.1 A championship banner is awarded to the team that is declared winner of the championship, in each category:

12.2 Medals are awarded to each of the team members ranked, respectively, as follows:

- First: Gold medal
- Second: Silver medal
- Third: Bronze medal