



Regina Minor Football 2000 Inc.

Review of Existing Policies and Rules

Atom Field

We will be using the east sideline (closest to the stands) as a sideline to bring the game closer to the fans. The hashmarks will be the inside of the east numbers, and the inside of the east hashmarks (approximately 17 yards from the sidelines). The west sideline will be the inside of the west hashmarks, making the field 41 yards wide. The team benches will be brought into the west numbers

Atom Overtime (for Bowl Games)

Overtime possessions will start at the 20-yard line rather than the 35-yard line and will move up 5 yards for each subsequent overtime round if necessary. If there are more than four overtime rounds, the ball will start on the 5-yard line for all subsequent rounds.

Targeting Rule

It is now a 25-yard penalty and ejection if a player targets the head or neck area of the ball carrier/intended receiver with the helmet, shoulder, arm, etc. In minor football, the first offense will result in a warning and 15-yard penalty.

Adjustment to the Defenseless Player Rule

If a player makes forcible contact on a defenseless player without attempting to use his arms to wrap or encircle the defenseless player (making a "hit"), it is unnecessary roughness. If a player makes forcible contact on a defenseless player below the head or neck and attempts to use his arms to wrap or encircle the defenseless player (making a tackle), it is NOT unnecessary roughness.

Photographer Policy

Teams will be responsible to organize their own team photos. RMF does not have an official photographer and photographers are not allowed on the sidelines or the player's side of the field without appropriate accreditation. Photo/Video Access Passes are available each season. This pass allows Photographers/Videographers access to the player's side of the field. Passes are available for \$100 and can be ordered by calling Len at 306-535-4111.



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Rain out Policy

During rainy weather practices may be cancelled. The City of Regina will post this information on their website www.regina.ca. On main page under Sports, Recreation & Culture, then click on Recreation Facilities then on the left hand side click on Athletic Field and Ball diamond Status. The site is updated weekdays by 3:00 pm and by 8:00 am on weekends. You are responsible for monitoring the situation and informing your players and parents. In case of a cancellation once games are re-scheduled they cannot be changed. If practices are cancelled teams are not allowed to practice on the green spaces. The City of Regina drives around and monitors fields when they cancel games or practices. Teams caught practicing could lose their permit for their green space.

Kicking Rules for Points After Touchdown (PAT)

Peewee and Bantam:

The ball will be placed at the 5-yard line:

If the ball is put into play on an offensive play (run, pass, fake kick) and the team is successful in scoring the team shall be awarded 1 point.

If the ball is place kicked or drop kicked through the uprights, the scoring team shall be awarded 2 points.

Kicking Rules for Field Goals

Ball pinned inside the 30-yard line:

If the ball is placed kicked or dropped kicked through the uprights, the scoring team shall be awarded 3 points.

Ball pinned on or outside the 30-yard line:

If the ball is placed kicked or dropped kicked through the uprights, the scoring team shall be awarded 4 points.



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Fair Play 12 On 12 Off rule

The fair play rule is intended to assist coaches in the development of all players regardless of their individual level of skill and to reduce if not eliminate two way playing.

2.1 Coaches must fill out and submit the Coaches Game Sheet, to the designated league official, prior to kickoff. This game sheet must include and stipulate:

- a) Offensive players
- b) Defensive players
- c) Remaining players
- d) Special teams players
- e) Injured players
- f) Absent players
- g) Disciplined players (reason & length)

2.2 Coaches must list all registered players on every game sheet in numerical order. Failure to list all players on a game sheet properly will result in the following penalties:

1st offense – the minimum is the coach must complete the game sheet properly and receives a written warning, the maximum 10-yard delay of game penalty and a written warning.

2nd offense – Head Coach receives one game suspension.

3rd offense –The Team Loose 2 points in the standings.

2.3 Players can only be listed on one side of the ball. Only at half time can a coach move players from one side of the ball to the other side of the ball. These changes must be documented with the designated league official at half time. Coaches should make an attempt to place an equal number of players on offense and defense. If a coach chooses to not have an equal number of players or more than 1 extra player on one side of the ball, and injuries cause the team to have less than 12 players on the lesser side, he will complete the half (or game) with less than 12 players on the field. Players can be moved at half time.

2.4 Kick offs and kick returns are unrestricted. Both offensive and defensive players can participate freely.

2.5 Defensive player substitutions on Punts and Field Goal Attempts are restricted to kickers, punters and long snapper. If there is a defensive sub as a punter, kicker or holder on a punt, FG attempt or convert attempt, the ball must be kicked. If there is no kick, the ball is turned over at PLS or PBD whichever is closer to the offending teams goal line. There are no offensive substitutions allowed on Punt Returns, FG attempts or converts. Players must be identified on the Coaches Game Sheet prior to the start of the game.



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2.6 If injuries, missing players, disciplinary action etc. cause a team to have less than 24 players, players can play on the other side of the ball. However, a player can only play a maximum of 3 series in a row. Example play offense, play defense, play offense, then sit.

2.7 Violation of these rules is subject to review by the rules committee with possible disciplinary action.

20 Second Clock

Atom: Atom division will follow NFL style clock rules (40 seconds begins at the end of the previous play). In Atom, in the event of an injury, the 40 second clock will hold and then resume when the referee blows in the play.

Peewee and Bantam: The 20 second clock will be used for Peewee and Bantam as full rule with no modifications.

Game Film

RMF will not be supplying any game film to any divisions. There will be no access to the camera deck on the press box. Teams may only film their own games from the belly pans on either side of the press box, not from the players bench.

Headsets & Press Box

Mighty Mites & Atom: No one will be allowed in the spotter's box in Mighty Mites and Atom Games. It is more beneficial for coaches to be on the sidelines.

Peewee and Bantam: A maximum of 2 registered coaches with headsets will be allowed in the spotter's box if a minimum of 4 coaches are on the sidelines. Any head set user (registered coaches only) must follow the rules for use as determined by RMF.

Misuse, throwing or damage to a headset will result in an ejection from that game and a 1 game suspension.



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Practice Rules

- Practice rules are: As per the practice plans for Mighty Mites, maximum 2 times a week. Maximum 3 times per week for Atom, Maximum 4 times per week for PeeWee and Bantam. Any team gatherings (Barbeques, meetings, films sessions, etc.) will be considered as practice and must be included in the allowable practice times.
- No practices the day after a game (Playoffs included).

Eligible Numbers

Regina Minor Football has not changed the eligible numbers as per the Canadian Amateur Football Rule Book.

Ineligible numbers will continue to be 40-69, all other numbers will be eligible.

Field Rules & Procedures

- Teams can warm up on the infield of the Douglas Park track before their games. You can then enter through the home or visitors gate with 5 minutes remaining in the previous game and line up in the end zone.
- All Team personnel must be registered, have valid Criminal Record Checks, signed disclosures and attended Safe Contact Training before your first practice. Only registered and approved Personnel listed on the Game Sheet will be allowed at practices, on the Bench during games or in the Spotter's Box.
- Smoking/chew is **not allowed** at practice, on the bench, or in the Spotter's box at any time.
- No pets, no sunflower seeds or shelled nuts, food or beverages on the field.