## <u>SECTION 9 - TOURNAMENTS</u> TOURNAMENT(S); CYM ATHLETIC EVENTS

## 9.1 Tournament(s)

9.1.1 All schools in the Diocese of Wilmington are subject to the rules, regulations, and procedures regarding tournaments, whether pre-season, in-season, or post-season events.

9.1.1-1 If an affiliated athletic association at a school or parish were to leave the CYM Sports program, they would still be subject to the applicable rules for a period of five years of their departure from the Diocese of Wilmington and not CYM Sports.

9.1.1-2 This rule does not apply to private, Catholic institutions involved in CYM Sports Programming.

*Exemption*: Any school whom historically has no involvement in CYM Sport. 9.1.2-Tournaments hosted by a CYM Sports affiliated school or parish requires written authorization and approval by the CYM Sports Office. BY-LAW TO BE UPDATED WITH VERBIAGE TO COVER COORDINATION APPROVAL REQUIRED. - REVISION AS OF 3.5.2025.

9.1.3 Tournaments hosted by a CYM Sports affiliated school or parish, regardless of pre-season, in-season, or post-season, must follow CYM Sports-Specific Rules established for that year for respective divisions in-full.

9.1.3-1 Affiliated associations may modify rules, provided there was disclosure in request for approval.

9.1.4 Tournaments hosted by a CYM Sports affiliated school or parish within the Diocese of Wilmington are subject to oversight by the Office for Catholic Youth Ministry.

9.1.4-1 Any issue, included but not limited to: incidents, sportsmanship penalties, fouls, or technicals must be reported to the CYM Sports Office within 48 hours.

9.1.4-2 CYM Sports and the Diocese of Wilmington, may delicate the handling of issues at tournaments to pastoral leadership and/or school leadership.

9.1.4-3 CYM Sports and the Diocese of Wilmington reserve the right to intervene, investigate, or discipline accordingly dependent upon the severity of the issue.

9.1.5 All CYM league and playoff games will take precedence and be played at their scheduled time.

9.1.6 No tournament(s) and games shall be scheduled during CYM League or Postseason play in which conflicts with posted schedule.

9.1.6-1 CYM Sports and the Diocese of Wilmington reserves the right to modify a tournaments schedule, if seen as a detriment to league or playoff play.

9.1.6-2 CYM Sports may authorize a tournament game serve as a league game as well.

9.1.7 All participating CYM schools must have the opportunity to participate in tournaments hosted by a affiliated association.

9.1.8 Failure to comply with oversight rules as stated in Tournaments section of bylaws may result in penalty fees, sanctions, and other disciplinary actions.

9.1.8-1 Any association found not in compliance will immediately forfeit eligibility of playoffs for two years for all divisions, regardless if tournament is promoted with select divisions.

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