

Manual Changes, Clarification and Points of Emphasis for 2011-12

1. Philosophy of CYO Athletics – Why Have Playoffs section added
2. Guidelines for Implementing CYO Athletics Philosophy – Pre-event Statement added
3. Administration – Description of AAC added
4. Administration – point of emphasis: Coaches responsibilities include bringing a first aid kit to events
5. Administration – point of emphasis: Coaches responsibilities include ensuring the pre-event statement takes place
6. Team Policies – Facilities section added
7. Team Policies – Divisions language modified to reflect grade level in school as the primary indicator of CYO Athletics eligibility, rather than age
8. Rules and Regulations – Catholic Youth Eligibility from a non-participating parish must be approved by pastoral staff at the parish the athlete belongs to. (There is a new Online Form for receiving eligibility for this type of player now)
9. Rules and Regulations – Rosters, point of emphasis: the same athlete may not appear on more than one roster for the same sport
10. Rules and Regulations – an athlete on a team not playing in a game for any reason may sit on the bench, but may not be suited up
11. Rules and Regulations – Playoff Eligibility policies, point of emphasis: non-counters are included when determining if a player played in 3 of 7 or 4 of 8 regular season games.
12. Rules and Regulations – game forfeiture, clarification: the opposing team must be notified within 72 hours of an impending no-show in addition to CYO Athletics.
13. Rules and Regulations – Game protest, point of emphasis: in accordance with NFHS rules, there are no game protests in volleyball
14. Soccer – Micro, Mini and Modified Soccer rules were added
15. Soccer – point of emphasis: offensive players have a right to play the ball until the goalie has control of it, at which point, no offensive player should charge the goalkeeper or attempt to make a play on the ball. Goalie control is at the discretion and interpretation of the referee
16. Cross Country – volunteers should be willing to stay the entire length of the meet

17. Cross Country - CYO Athletics will need 8-10 volunteers at the finish line and 10-12 volunteers monitoring the course for each meet.
18. Cross Country – volunteers should check-in at the finish line at the time of the pre-meet coaches meeting for each meet
19. Basketball – point of emphasis: coaches must remain seated at all times.
20. Basketball – there is no “zone” defense in 4th and 5th grades.
21. Volleyball – Playing time, point of emphasis: The 3rd game of the match (if there is one) is included in determining the overall number of points played for playing time, but coaches should not plan on needing a 3rd game to meet the playing time/serving policy requirement
22. Volleyball – clarification: Colored balls may be used. 1/3 of the ball must be white, it cannot be more than 3 colors, and there may not be any logos or designs on the ball other than the manufacturer’s
23. Volleyball – 5th graders will now play with rally scoring, first 2 games to 30 points, 3rd game to 15
24. Volleyball – 5th grade serving clarification: the rally point earned does not count as one of the three consecutive “point scoring” serves
25. Baseball – 5 run rule does not apply to what would be the last inning of play
26. Baseball – point of emphasis: the allowance of courtesy runners in the 7th/8th grade division is a speed-up rule that may be used for the pitcher and catcher. In CYO Athletics, when requested and the umpire grants time out, any player not currently in the hitting lineup may be inserted to run for the pitcher or catcher
27. Track & Field – the turbojav weighs 300 grams.
28. Track & Field – all races will now be run at meters (50m, 60m, 75m) instead of yards
29. Track & Field – volunteers should be willing to stay the entire length of the meet
30. Track & Field – clarification: The All-Comers Meet includes the 50m, 60m, 75m, 100m, 200m, and if time permits, the 400m.
31. Track & Field – Team Championship: in the event of a tie, athletes will receive equal points
32. Track Records and Adult Softball have been removed from the Manual, both will still be available online.