



Rationale

Districts faced with the possibility of cancelling an event because of low participation numbers, may wish to consider the possibility of having interested participants play the event with a neighbouring district. The concept of combined district events keeps our 55+ adults involved and helps maintain interest in the event. The following is offered as a guide to assist districts as they work to serve and involve their 55+ adults.

Policy Guidelines

1. These combined District events can be used as qualifiers for either Regional or Ontario 55+ Games. However, Invitational Events are NOT the same and are not considered qualifiers.
2. Districts may, for several reasons including low participant numbers, lack of venue, decide to hold a joint district event with a neighbouring district where:
 - a. One district would offer to be the host.
 - b. Each district would advertise the event as a joint event to their participants.
 - c. Each district would register their participants separately on their own forms.
3. Districts would collect fees from their own participants
 - a. The host would receive the appropriate event fee from the non-host district for each participant.
 - b. Each district would retain the affiliation fee and any other fees their district usually collects.
 - c. Each district would register their participants as required by the OSGA.
4. Participants would represent their own district during the event.
 - a. Only participants from the participating districts would be eligible to play.
 - b. Highest placing participants for each district would be considered winners for their district and be recognized as such, including qualifying for other events.
5. Participants must remember that they can only play in one district per set of games as indicated in OSGA Policy G-003 Eligibility.

Administration

This policy shall be administered by the OSGA President and Program Manager.

Policy Approved

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Signature