

What is the Intermediate B League Playoff Format?

In 2009, the BCILL Intermediate B League introduced a new two conference setup (North and South) and with it a new playoff format which sees the top 10 teams make the playoffs – up from the top six teams previously.

First Round

The first round is very similar to what the Canadian Football League has been using for many years. The top team from each conference automatically makes it to the second round of the playoffs as a reward for its regular season record.

Then, the second-place and third-place teams in each conference host a sudden death game against the fifth-place and fourth-place teams in their conference, respectively. However, a situation may occur whereby the sixth-place team from one conference has more points (not tied) than the fifth-place team from the opposite conference. In this case, the sixth-place team would cross over into the opposite conference and compete against the second-place team of that conference.

Please note that at the end of the regular season the second-place team in a given conference will always host a sudden death first round game, regardless of the number of total points a team who crosses over may accumulate.

The winners of the sudden death games advance to the second round of the league playoffs, joining the conference champions.

Second Round

The second round of the playoffs is a best-of-three games series. Seeding of teams is based on their regular season records, regardless of where they placed within their conference. In the event of a tie in points, seeding shall be determined as set out in Regulation 13. Clause 13.06 of the BCLA Senior Directorate Operating Policy. The top seeded team plays the sixth-seeded team, second plays fifth and third plays fourth, with the top three teams having home floor advantage.

The winners of these series advance to the Provincial Championships.

BCILL B DIVISION 2009 PLAYOFF FORMAT - EXAMPLE

<u>Final Standings</u>							
NORTH CONFERENCE	W	L	Seed	SOUTH CONFERENCE	W	L	Seed
Coquitlam Adanacs	14	2	B	Surrey Rebels	10	6	B
Port Moody Thunder	12	4	2	Richmond Roadrunners	9	7	2
Ridge Meadows Burrards	11	5	3	North Delta Hawks	7	9	3
New Westminster Salmonbellies	9	7	4	Langley Warriors	6	10	4
Port Coquitlam Saints	7	9	5	Delta Islanders	5	11	
Burnaby Lakers	6	10	X	Semiahmoo Rock	4	12	
North Shore Indians	4	12					
<u>Semi-Finals (Best of 3)</u>							
Port Moody Thunder	W			Richmond Roadrunners	W		
Port Coquitlam Saints	L			Burnaby Lakers	L		
Ridge Meadows Burrards	W			North Delta Hawks	L		
New Westminster Salmonbellies	L			Langley Warriors	W		
<u>Post Semi-Finals Seeding</u>							
	W	L	Seed				
Coquitlam Adanacs	14	2	1				
Port Moody Thunder	12	4	2				
Ridge Meadows Burrards	11	5	3				
Surrey Rebels	10	6	4				
Richmond Roadrunners	9	7	5				
Langley Warriors	6	10	6				
<u>Finals (Best of 3)</u>							
Coquitlam Adanacs	W			Advances to Provincials			
Langley Warriors	L						
Port Moody Thunder	W			Advances to Provincials			
Richmond Roadrunners	L						
Ridge Meadows Burrards	L						
Surrey Rebels	W			Advances to Provincials			