



## **FAQ NL Winter Games deer lake 2018**

**1. Where are the 2018 NL Games being held?**

*Deer Lake will be host of the 2108 NL Games.*

**2. What is the age range for athletes competing in NL Winter Games?**

*The Age Classification will be U14 years of age. (Born in 2004, 2005, 2006 only). This will assist in identifying potential athletes for the 2021 Canada Summer Games in ON.*

**3. Is NL Games school based or club based?**

*The 2018 NL Winter Games Regional Playdowns and the 2018 NL Winter Games will be club based.*

**4. What clubs are eligible for Playdowns?**

*Teams for the playdowns may be made up of current affiliated clubs; schools or multiple combinations of both. Coaches may call for open tryouts within their respective region as long as they are within the boundaries outlined by government. These boundaries can be viewed in Appendix "A".*

*<http://www.nlba.nf.ca/Winter-Games.php#wgRegions>.*

**5. Can a school enter a team into NL Playdowns?**

*Schools will be permitted to register and participate as clubs once they affiliate and pay all fees as per Club Policies. (\$50.00 Club affiliation fee and \$14.00 per athlete, coach and manager) This does not cover any entry fee costs for the play downs.*

**6. What are the regions for NL Games?**

*The Host Region, St. John's/North, Mount Pearl/South, Avalon, Eastern, Central Western, Labrador and St. Pierre & Miquelon. These boundaries can be viewed in Appendix "A". <http://www.nlba.nf.ca/Winter-Games.php#wgRegions>.*

**7. What rules will be used for the NL Games?**

*The play downs will be played under FIBA rules with minor modifications. This means the fair play (must have 10 players) is not in effect. Teams may play 5 players in the entire game if they so choose.*

**8. My son/daughter plays for two club teams in the same region. Which one can she play with to be eligible for the NL Games?**

*Individual athletes can only play with one club or team entering the play downs. Athletes playing for more than one club must state which club they are playing with by November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2017.*

**9. If my son/daughter doesn't play for a club in the correct region can they still participate in NL Games with that club?**

*If your son/daughter plays for a club team that is not in your region they can participate with that club only if they have played with that club for 2 years prior to the games and were affiliated with the NLBA. Please see the NL Winter Games link for history rule: <http://www.nlgames.ca/sports>.*

**10. How can I find a club for my son/daughter to play for at NL Games?**

*You can find clubs active in your region on the NLBA web site: <http://www.nlba.nf.ca/mb-contacts.php>.*

**11. How do I know if my club is eligible to play in NL games playdowns?**

*Open to NLBA members only (If you are not registered with the NLBA simply register as outlined in point #5) Athletes must be registered and in good standing with the NLBA and their registered clubs. All teams must be registered with the NLBA under the club format and all fees must be paid prior to admission to the regional playdowns deadline date. Athletes must have competed in at least one basketball competition in the past 2 years.*

**12. How do I register my club for NL Play-downs?**

*Registration info can be found on the NLBA website: <http://www.nlba.nf.ca/Winter-Games.php#wgreg>.*

**13. How many athletes can I register?**

*12 athletes. Minimum team size 8 for both male and female teams.*

*Male Team: 1 male coach. 1 male manager. If coach is female an extra male staff position may be added for athlete supervision.*

*Female Team: 1 female coach. 1 female manager. If coach is male an extra female staff person may be added for athlete supervision.*

**14. What certification to I need to have to coach at NL Games?**

*The head coach for teams winning their region and advancing to the 2018 NL Winter Games MUST be minimum "Learn to Train (Trained)." There is no certification required for the playdowns.*

**15. What's the cost for a club to participate in NL Winter Games playdowns?**

*There is no cost to enter the play-downs.*

**16. If I have already qualified for NL Winter Games in another sport can I still compete in playdowns for basketball?**

*If you have already qualified for NL Games in another sport you are ineligible to compete in playdowns.*

**17. What are important dates I should be aware of if considering to play in the NL Games?**

*IMPORTANT DATES:*

**October 10<sup>th</sup>** - Submit application to Host play-downs. Host application can be found on the NLBA web site: <http://www.nlba.nf.ca/Winter-Games.php#wgreg>.

**November 5<sup>th</sup>** - Deadline to submit applications to participate in play-downs. All applications can be found on the NLBA website: <http://www.nlba.nf.ca/Winter-Games.php#wgreg>.

*Play-downs will take place **November 17<sup>th</sup> weekend for the boys' teams & November 24<sup>th</sup> weekend for the girls' teams.***