

Eligibility to Compete

COMPETITORS

201. Dominion Member Sports Championships are open to members as defined in the General By-Laws of The Royal Canadian Legion. Ladies Auxiliary members may participate in all Legion Sports at all levels, with permission of the applicable Legion Provincial Command. Eligibility requirements for Ladies Auxiliary members to participate in member sports are the same as for members of The Royal Canadian Legion.

ELIGIBILITY

- 202.** To be eligible, members must be in good standing and must have their membership card for the year in which the championship is being held in their possession at the site of the championship.
- 203.** New members (defined as Ordinary, Associate and Affiliate) in good standing are eligible to participate at all levels of competition immediately.
- 204.** Reinstated members are able to participate in Legion Member Sports immediately, provided they are members in good standing.

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SENIORS

205. To be eligible to participate in any Senior Championship, the member must be 50 years of age prior to January 1st of the year in which the championship is being held.

COMPOSITE BRANCH TEAMS

- 206.** The members of a team shall belong to the same branch and shall represent that branch within their parent command. An exception to this criterion is as follows:
- a.** Any branch with 100 or less members in any one zone, or district where no zone exists, and who cannot field their own team may pick up a maximum of two players from any “other branch” within their zone or district where no zone exists with the intent of creating a team (for the smaller branch) for the purpose of Legion competitive play.

TRANSFERS

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- 207.** To be eligible to play, members who have transferred must have been members of their new branch as of January 31st of the year preceding the year of the championship. In other words, in order for the member to participate at a Dominion Championship to be held April 2013, he must have been a member of his branch as of January 31st, 2012.
- 208.** It has been recognized that a rigid application of the above criterion can be unfair. Exceptions have been authorized to permit members in the following circumstances to participate immediately:
- a. An eligible member, in good standing, who is a member of a branch that was required to surrender its Charter to Dominion Command and the member has transferred to another branch, shall enjoy the same rights and privileges he would have enjoyed had the Charter not been surrendered and the branch dissolved;
 - b. A member who retires or who has been transferred by his employer, or whose personal circumstances dictate a change of employment or permanent residence is eligible to participate in Dominion Member Sport Championships. The member must provide, on demand, proof that the transfer was initiated by the employer and that he was a member of a branch at his former place of residence on or before January 31st of the year preceding the year in which the competition is to take place. The member must also confirm that he is changing his permanent place of residence; and
 - c. Further to Section 208.b. above, the member has one year of grace, from the effective date of retirement, change of employment and/or permanent residence, to transfer his membership to his new branch.

TEAM COMPOSITION

209. Each command is invited to send one team to a Dominion Championship. If desired, the doubles and singles players for the Cribbage and Darts Championships may be drawn from the team. Alternatively a command may enter up to seven players to compete in the single, doubles and team competitions.
210. Only Provincial Command champions (team, double, single) for the year in question are eligible to participate in Dominion Member Sports national tournaments.
211. Commands that do not enter competitors into a specific member sport competition on the Dominion Command Registration Form (i.e. singles, doubles and team events) will not be permitted, upon arrival at the host site, to enter any competitor(s) into that specific event.

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SPARES/SUBSTITUTES

212. Spares are not authorized to participate in Dominion Member Sports Championships. If one of the team members is not capable of playing, a substitute is to be obtained, at the actual competition, as follows:
 - a. If the Provincial Command Sports Representative is in attendance and is capable of participating in the sport, he will be permitted to play as a substitute; or
 - b. If the Provincial Command Sports Representative is not present or not capable of participating, the host will provide the substitute as provided for in the Regulations and Technical Rules of each sport.

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