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**NOTICE OF A COMMENT PERIOD ON A PROPOSED RULE**

AGENCY: WEST VIRGINIA SECONDARY SCHOOL ACTIVITIES COMMISSION TITLE NUMBER: 127

RULE TYPE: LEGISLATIVE RULES; CITE AUTHORITY WV CODE 18-2-25

AMENDMENT TO AN EXISTING RULE: YES  NO

IF YES, SERIES NUMBER OF RULE BEING AMENDED: 09 127-3

TITLE OF RULE BEING AMENDED: SOCCER

IF NO, SERIES NUMBER OF NEW RULE BEING PROPOSED: \_\_\_\_\_

TITLE OF RULE BEING PROPOSED: \_\_\_\_\_

IN LIEU OF A PUBLIC HEARING, A COMMENT PERIOD HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED DURING WHICH ANY INTERESTED PERSON MAY SEND COMMENTS CONCERNING THESE PROPOSED RULES. THIS COMMENT PERIOD WILL END ON JUNE 14, 1993 AT 5 PM

ONLY WRITTEN COMMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED AND ARE TO BE MAILED TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS.

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THE ISSUES TO BE HEARD SHALL BE LIMITED TO THIS PROPOSED RULE.

ATTACH A **BRIEF** SUMMARY OF YOUR PROPOSAL

## Proposal 10

Amend \*09 §127-3-26.2 - Soccer (pg. 62) to read as follows:

“26.2 Organized Team Practice: Organized Team practice will begin on Monday of Week 7 ~~7~~ 5 and the first contest may be played on Wednesday of Week 8.

### **\*09 §127-3-26 Soccer.**

- 26.1 **Rules:** Soccer rules published by the National Federation of State High School Associations are the official rules for all interscholastic competition unless otherwise provided by Commission modifications.
- 26.2 **Organized Team Practice:** Organized Team Practice will begin on Monday of Week 7 ~~7~~ 5 and the first contest may be played on Wednesday of Week 8.
- 26.3 **Length of Season:** The soccer season will end for each team at tournament elimination or the Saturday prior to the playoff competition.\
- 26.4 **Maximum Team Contest:** A soccer team will be permitted to play no more than 18 matches exclusive of sectional, regional, and state tournaments.
- (a) The maximum number of halves for a player in one season will be 36, exclusive of sectional, regional, and state tournaments.
- (b) A player shall not be permitted to participate in more than two halves during any one day. Any part of a half counts as one half. In an overtime game, the overtime shall be considered an extension of the second half.
- 26.5 **Scrimmages:** Two soccer scrimmages with another high school may be conducted with the following conditions: After 7 days of practice; Prior to the first game; without keeping score in a book or on a scoreboard; Using some format other than halves; The use of registered officials would not be a violation of game conditions.
- 26.6 Individual players of a team must have practiced on 14 days before participating in an interscholastic contest.
- 26.7 A student may not play or practice on a non-school soccer team while a member of his school team.
- 26.8 A student may accept awards only in WVSSAC sanctioned events during the season of that sport. These awards must be consistent with the items mentioned in the awards rule. Students may accept only this same type of award in non-sanctioned events outside the sport season.

### **Rationale:**

Increased time for the soccer season will allow for a longer pre-season conditioning program. Also, teams will have a longer playing season so students should not have to play three matches a week. It is also a help in scheduling.