



5v5 TOURNAMENT - RULES

PLAYER REGISTRATION: All players must be registered on their teams' registration form and with STYSA or Us CUs Clubs before the tournament begins. Any team or player determined by the event director to have falsified age or skill level will be dismissed from the tournament. All players must carry proof of age. In no event will a player who has not been properly registered and checked in be allowed to participate. Players may not dual register on multiple teams.

WITHDRAWAL: Teams withdrawing from the tournament prior to November 15 will have their tournament fee refunded subject to a \$40 administrative fee. Teams withdrawing after November 15 are not entitled to any refund.

ROSTERS: All rosters are final upon completion of the team's first game.

NUMBER OF PLAYERS: Eight is the maximum number of players on a team. Players may only play on one team. Substitutes may occur at any dead ball situation, but players must get referees attention and enter and exit at the half- field mark only.

EQUIPMENT: All players must wear shin guards. Any player without shin guards will not be allowed to play. Teams are responsible for providing game balls.

UNIFORMS: Matching uniform color with alternate goalkeeper color required. Numbered uniforms are not required. Appropriate soccer footwear and shin guards are mandatory. No jewelry is allowed. Any player that does not have the required player equipment will be disqualified from playing until given approval from referee. No hard Cast allowed

FIELD DIMENSIONS:

- 40 Yards (length) x 25 Yards (width)
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REFEREE AND DISCIPLINE: Each game will be officiated by 1 referee. The referee has full and final decisions on all games. Protests or challenges to referee decisions will not be permitted. Accumulation of two yellow cards in separate matches results in a one match suspension. Red cards result in a minimum automatic two match suspension. The Tournament Director will review and rule on all reports of unacceptable conduct by players, Coaches and spectators. Rulings made by the Tournament Director are based on the rules and the report submitted by the referee. The Tournament Director's decisions are final and cannot be challenged. Depending on the severity of the unacceptable conduct, the Tournament Director reserves the right to eject a player, coach, parent or team for the remainder of the tournament & report all misconduct to State Association.



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TIME KEEPING: Duration of Games, Overtime and Penalty Shoot Outs Games will be 30 minutes in duration, played in two 15 minute periods with a 4 minute interval. Teams will change ends for second period. The referee will start the game clock at the scheduled game time. The referee will only stop the clock for injuries and persistent/deliberate time wasting. First instance of time wasting will result in a yellow card for the offender. Upon the second instance of team time wasting will result in a straight red card regardless if the player was cautioned previously or not. During a final, if there is a tie at the end of the regulation period, the game will move into penalty kicks (5 per team). If a team has had a player sent off, they immediately forfeit the 5th penalty kick. Players not on the field of play at the final whistle are not permitted to participate in penalty shoot outs.

FORFEITS If team does not take the field or does not have a minimum of 4 players including a goalkeeper at the designated kick off time it will forfeit and the other team present will be awarded a 3- 0 score over forfeiting team. Any team that forfeits two (2) games will be eliminated for the entire tournament. If both teams are not present at the designated kick off time, the game will be considered canceled with each team receiving zero points and goals.

OFFSIDE: No offside.

MODIFIED RULES: Game play FIFA rules will be observed with the following exceptions:

- U11 age group and below will have no heading. A free kick will be rewarded at the stop to opposing team.
- Free kicks. No defender shall be closer than 10 feet to the ball, and all kicks shall be indirect, except for a foul in the penalty area, which will result in a penalty kick.

PENALTY KICKS: The penalty spot shall be on the line, at the center, at the top of the penalty box, and all players with the exception of the goalkeeper and kicker should be behind line of confrontation

KICK INS: Kick ins will replace throw ins, when the play is restarted from a ball that goes out of bounds on the touch lines with no defender closer than 10 feet. Kick ins are indirect.

CORNERS: No defender closer than 10 feet from the ball.

GOAL KICKS: Restarts from the goal keeper must be taken from a stationary ball anywhere inside the penalty box.

GOAL KEEPER DISTRIBUTION: All other goalkeeper distribution must bounce or be touched by another player before crossing the half way line. Violation will result in the award a free kick where the ball crossed the line.



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SCORING: Scorecards must be verified by the team coach immediately after the game. Once the referee leaves the field of play the score indicated on the scorecard will be final. It is the responsibility of the team coach to verify scores. Standings in a group will be determined by game points as follows: 3 points for a win, 1 point for a tie, 0 points for a loss, **TIEBREAKERS:** The following will be used to break ties in or between qualifying groups when teams tied in qualifying points.

1. Results of head to head competition
2. Goal difference
3. Goals scored
4. Goals conceded
5. Penalty Kicks

WEATHER: In the event unusual conditions necessitate the rescheduling, curtailment or cancellation of games, the Tournament Director shall have absolute authority to make these changes, in order to best serve the interests of the tournament. Rain out date Sunday November 25th, 2019.

SPORTSMANSHIP: Players, coaches and spectators are expected to act in the nature of good sportsmanship at all times. Abuse of the referees will not be tolerated. Any instance of such conduct will disqualify the responsible team from the event.

SITUATIONS OR OCCURRENCES THAT THESE RULES DO NOT ADDRESS SHALL BE LEFT TO THE SOLE DISCRETION OF THE TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR.