



TERRY WALGREN MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT RULES

FIFA RULES SHALL APPLY EXCEPT AS NOTED BELOW:

ELIGIBILITY

Eligible teams must be comprised of properly registered youth players affiliated with the Canadian Soccer Association (CSA), or the United States Soccer Federation (USSF) provided such teams entering, and its member association is in good standing with the CSA or USSF and that the team is in compliance with and has not violated the rules of the CSA or USSF.

ROSTERS

Players shall be registered to and may compete for only one team during the tournament. Each team from divisions U14 to U18 may consist of up to 20 players unless approved prior to start of tournament. A team roster, including names, jersey numbers and dates of birth must be submitted at the time of Registration/check-in. Any violation of the above stated information will cause for forfeiture of all tournament matches.

All teams are required to have and present player picture identification cards. The tournament director or designate has the right to check any player card at any time during the tournament.

DIVISIONS

Divisions will be established according to BCSA regulations. The division a team will be entered into shall be based on the year of birth of the oldest player.

UNIFORMS and PLAYER EQUIPMENT

- All uniforms must have a jersey number.
- All players are required to wear shin guards.
- A player shall not be allowed to play in a match with an injury that can be aggravated by playing or which constitutes a danger to others.
- A player wearing a hard cast or splint shall not be permitted to play. Referees have no discretion at this point.
- Knee braces and other protective orthopedic or prosthetic devices may be worn provided that the device is properly fitted and has no protruding metal and has to be covered with soft material. Each player should report to the referee prior to the beginning of the game for an official authorization to play.

TOURNAMENT FORMAT

- The tournament director reserves the right to combine age groups to make viable divisions.
- Each team will be scheduled a minimum of three (3) games. All games will be 25 minute halves with 5 minute half time break.
- An attempt will be made to make 2 games break in between games whenever possible. However, when unworkable a one game break will be the minimum time allotted in between games.
- All tournament games must be played when and where scheduled, with exception to the final games that may be changed to an earlier available slot, provided that both teams are in agreement.

SCHEDULING

Schedules posted on www.nelsonsoccer.ca

All teams must check in ½ hour prior to their first game at the main information tent.

The team listed first on the schedule is the HOME team. The home team is responsible for changing uniforms in the event of a colour conflict. The home team shall have the choice of which side of the field their team shall commence the match on.

A team not showing or not ready to play following a 10 (ten) minute grace period shall forfeit the game to the ready team with a score of 3-0. The referee shall have the sole responsibility to determine, time and enforce the 10 (ten) minute grace period.

All games shall start at the times indicated on the official schedule posted at the main information tent. It is the responsibility of each team to ensure they have an accurate copy the tournament schedule. Extra copies will be available at the main information tent.

Referees may extend play as a result of injury time to a maximum of 10 minutes.

Extended play will NOT result in an altered start time for the following game.

TOURNAMENT SCORING

Teams shall be awarded points as follows:

- Win 3 points
- Tie 1 points
- Loss 0 points

TIE BREAKING RULE

In the event that one or more teams are tied in points at the end of all games within a division or at the end of round robin play, the following will be applied in the order stated below:

- Results of head to head competition
- Goal difference between goals scored for and goals against
- Least number of goals allowed during all tournament games
- Penalty kicks

In semi-final and final games:

- Golden goal - 5 minutes extra time each way
- Penalty kicks

SUBSTITUTIONS

Unlimited substitutions are permitted at the discretion of the referee, but will generally be limited to:

- After a goal is scored
- Prior to your own team throw-in
- Prior to either teams goal kick

TOURNAMENT BALLS

- U14 to U18 - Size 5
- Only balls supplied by the Terry Walgren Memorial Tournament shall be used for play.

AWARDS

- Medals awarded for 1st & 2nd place in competitive divisions.
- At the end of each match, each team will award a "Player of the Game" to a player on the opposing team. Award will be supplied by the Tournament organizer and provided with the tournament package. This award should not be based solely on MVP status but should include; inspirational, sportsman-like, attitude etc.

TEAM CONDUCT and BEHAVIOUR

Coaches are responsible for the behavior of their players, parents and spectators. Lack of control by either (or both) teams can result in the forfeiture of the match and possible disqualification from the tournament.

Any player receiving two (2) yellow cards during the tournament shall be required to sit out the game following the game in which he/she received the second yellow card.

Any player receiving a red card shall sit out the game following the game in which he/she received the red card. For more serious offense, the player could be suspended for more than one game. Any player receiving a second ejection shall be prohibited from competing in further tournament games.

VIOLATIONS and PENALTIES

A player, coach, bench personnel and substitute players shall be disqualified (red card) for taunting; use of word or act to incite or degrade an opposing player, teammate, coach, referee or other individual. This includes:

- Any form of taunting which is intended or designed to embarrass, ridicule, insult or demean others under any circumstances including on the basis of race, religion, disability, gender, sexual orientation or national origin.
- Verbal threats including death threats, threats of bodily harm, and implied threats of harm or retribution.
- Non-verbal gestures or symbolism, including close physical proximity, intended or designed to provoke or alarm an opponent.

Field players in violation of the Law shall be shown a red card and immediately leave the field of play. The player shall be identified and a game report completed. The disqualified player will not be eligible to play for the remainder of the tournament.

Coaches, bench personnel and substitute players in violation of the Law shall be disqualified and immediately leave the area of play. The participant shall be identified and a game report

completed. The disqualified person will not be eligible to participate for the remainder of the tournament.

In the event that taunting originates from the technical area but the individual cannot be identified, the team coach shall receive a verbal warning. Any subsequent taunting from the bench area shall result in the disqualification of the coach and the participant if that person can be identified.

Like other rules of the game, this misconduct shall be enforced in the time before and after the actual duration of the game, including warm-up, shots from the mark, post-game handshakes, field departure and awards ceremonies.

DISPUTE RESOLUTION

The referee's decisions are final. Protests will be considered on matters dealing only with FIFA law. Protests must be submitted in writing along with a nonrefundable fee of \$100 to the score table within 1/2 hour of the conclusion of the match. The Tournament Dispute Chair's decision will be final. The decision of the tournament director on all other matters is final. No protest or appeal will be accepted.

TEAM PLAYER / SPECTATOR ZONES

- There will be a Spectators zone on opposite side of field to the players zone.
- Spectators are not permitted behind the goals.
- Coaching staff, please make sure your team and parents are aware of these rules.

GENERAL ENQUIRIES

Any questions that arise during the tournament should be directed to tournament staff at the main information tents.