



# TOURNAMENT RULES

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# BUFFALO GROVE PARK DISTRICT KICK OFF CLASSIC 2011

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### 1.) REGISTRATION

- a. All teams must be registered with their local USSF, USYSA state organizations.
- b. All teams from outside Illinois must have approved permission to travel forms with a copy of their approved roster.
- c. Each team will be required to show approved player's passes. They will be matched against your roster prior to each game and registration.
- d. You will be required to show medical authorization forms for each player.

### 2.) ELIGIBILITY

U-9 & U-10 teams will be allowed 14 players per team allowing for three (3) guest players per team (not exceeding maximum roster size). U-11 and U-12 teams will be allowed 16 players per teams allowing for three (3) guest players per team (not exceeding maximum roster size). U13 & U14 teams will be allowed a maximum of 18 players, allowing for three (3) guest players per team (not exceeding maximum roster size). **Players are only eligible to play for one team during the tournament.**

### 3.) LAWS OF THE GAME

All games will be played in accordance with the laws observed by the USYSA/FIFA/IYSA with the exceptions noted below

### 4.) HOME/AWAY STATUS

First Team Listed Is Home Team and Has Choice of Goal to Defend, or Kickoff to Begin the Game. All Games Are Played at Willow Stream Park.

### 5.) DURATION OF GAMES

All games will be 2 x 25 minutes with five minutes for half time. **The tournament committee shall have the authority to reschedule any game, reduce the duration of any game, and decide the final tournament standings and award trophies.**

### 6.) SUBSTITUTIONS

Will be allowed on all dead balls.

### 7.) SCORING/WON-LOSS RECORDS

Each team will be awarded 6 points for a win, 3, points for a tie and 0 points for a loss. One point will also be awarded for each goal scored, up to a maximum of 3 points per game. Team will also be awarded one point for a shutout victory. 10 pt. Maximum. In case of a forfeit by any team(s) a total of 10 points must be awarded.

### 8.) TIE BREAKING

In the event of a tie in any division, the following criteria will be used to determine the standings.

- a. Head to head competition
- b. Most games won
- c. Fewest games lost
- d. Fewest goals against
- e. Most goals for

### 9.) FORFEITS

Each team needs to field a minimum of seven players. Game time is forfeit time. The winning team will be awarded a total of ten (10) points for each forfeit.

### 10.) FAILURE TO SHOW

Any team quitting the field of play before the conclusion of any game will be automatically disqualified from the tournament.

### 11.) PLAYER EQUIPMENT

Referees have the final approval. Home teams are required to change jersey in the event of a color conflict.

### 12.) PROTESTS

Protests must be filed within 30 minutes after your game.

### 13.) GAME BALLS

Under 9, U10, U11, U12 shall use a size 4 ball. U13 & U14 shall use a size 5 ball.

### 14.) DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

Any player or coach who receives a red card during the tournament is ineligible for the next scheduled game. A second red card will result in a coach or player dismissal from the tournament site.

### 15.) FIELD DIMENSIONS

U-9 & U10 games will be played 7 v 7 on small fields; U11 - U12 games will be played 9 v 9 on intermediate fields; U13 - U14 games will be played 11 v 11 on full size fields.

### 16.) REFUNDS

Sorry, there will be no refunds once a team is accepted for this tournament. If tournament is canceled for any reason, partial or the entire entry fee will be refunded / prorated as to the number of games played. If the entire tournament is canceled, a full refund will be issued.

### GAME PROCEDURES:

- ✓ The schedule is subject to change at any time, and all coaches will be informed of such changes as soon as possible. Please "bear" with us if games are delayed.
- ✓ For all injuries we will take as much time as needed to make certain that the athlete is fine. Game time will not be reduced just to "stay on schedule".
- ✓ Pre-game warm-ups are not allowed on the fields.
- ✓ Spectators are not allowed to sit on the same side of the field with the teams.
- ✓ There are no "shoot-outs" for this tournament. Games that end in a tie will be recorded as such.
- ✓ Substitutions are allowed on all dead balls, but are also made at the discretion of the referee. Coaches must notify the referee before all substitutions are made.
- ✓ Any player, coach, spectator or fan will be expelled from the site for using alcoholic beverages or drugs.
- ✓ Smoking is not permitted on park district premises. Parents and spectators must refrain from smoking while watching the games.
- ✓ Play will be immediately stopped and delayed for a period of no shorter than 30 minutes (of last strike or sound) if lightning or thunder is observed.

### LIGHTNING PROCEDURES

Lightning's behavior is random and unpredictable. **Preparedness** and **quick response** are the best defenses towards the lightning hazard. As such, it is the policy of the Buffalo Grove Park District that all athletic events and contests are immediately suspended when lightning is spotted or thunder is heard. All participants and spectators are to be cleared from the field and find safe shelter. In all cases, the following procedure will be followed:

At the first signs of lightning or thunder, leave the ball field. Go to your vehicle and take shelter there with the windows rolled up. ("If you can hear it (thunder), Clear It (suspend activities).")

**AVOID** the rain. **AVOID** shelters and dugout areas. These are not safe from lightning.

**AVOID** going underneath trees. Trees "attract" lightning.

**AVOID** metal fences, gates, and tall light poles and power poles.

Wait 30 minutes after the last observed lightning or thunder before you leave shelter. Game officials will signal a resumption of activities.

*(For more information, please refer to the National Lightning Safety Institute.)*

*In situations of inclement weather, please utilize the Kick-Off Classic Hotline for updates at:*

**(847) 850-2192**