

## TOURNAMENT RULES FOR NYC CUP Boys and Girls Weekend

### TOURNAMENT HEADQUARTERS

Tournament Headquarters Randall's Island next to snack bar and field 71.

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All games shall be played in accordance with FIFA Laws, except as specifically modified by these rules.

### FORMS, DOCUMENTATION, ELIGIBILITY and TOURNAMENT HEADQUARTERS

Tournament headquarters for Friday, Saturday and Sunday will be at the Randall's Island Complex. See Venue Page

- Each team must complete their online check-in.
- All players must have current, Player Registration Cards, Team Rosters and Permission to Travel Forms.
- Players' numbers and personal information MUST be listed on the tournament Team Roster.

#### The United States

- The Players and bench personnel must present picture identification cards issued by the team's Federation Organization Member (USYS, USClub, AYSO, other)
- Identification cards must be verified, photo attached, and laminated (if your association does not allow lamination, cards must be encased in plastic sleeves).
- Teams must provide proof of approval of the team's tournament participation from the team's Federation Organization Member.
- Teams from a US Youth Soccer National State Association outside of Florida must provide proof of permission to travel.
- Teams must provide a certified/approved tournament roster from the team's Federation Organization.
- Teams not from USYS or US Club must provide proof of insurance.
- Teams must provide a completed Florida Costa Cup Release Forms for every player and bench personnel

#### Foreign Teams

- Players must present passports at registration or, if from a nation that the United States does not require a passport, proof of entry into the United States that is required by the United States.
- Teams are required to have and present player picture identification cards.
- Teams must have a completed form from its Provincial, National Association or School approving the team's participation in the tournament.
- Teams must provide a tournament roster.
- Teams must provide a completed tournament waiver forms for every player and bench personnel
- Teams must provide proof of medical insurance.

## **ROSTERS**

Teams can have 22 players on their rosters turned in at Registration; however teams must identify 18 players before each game with the referees. Only 18 players in each game can dress and play per game. Tournament Directors, under certain circumstances may allow a team to carry a dressed roster of over 18 players.

**Guest Players:** The roster may contain up to six guest players (unless pre-approved by showcase committee).

## **DURATION OF GAMES**

The duration of tournament games shall be in accordance with the following:

### **Friday Games:**

35 min halves for U13-U14

40 min halves for U15-U19

### **Saturday Games:**

35 min halves for U13-U19

### **Sunday Finals:**

35 min halves for U13-U16

40 min halves for U17-U19

\*\*\*New for 2018 – Finals Added for all age groups.

Round robin games will be played Friday – Sunday, expect to play two games on one of the days.

All games will be played with a running clock. The referee may stop the clock for serious injuries or other incidents. The referee is the official timekeeper and therefore all decisions regarding game duration are solely at the referee's discretion and shall not be protested.

## **Brackets/Championships**

Pool play matches ending in a tie will be recorded as such (no PK's). Semi-final and championship games ending in a tie will go immediately to FIFA penalty kicks to determine the winner.

Four (4) Team Divisions: Will consist of one group. Each team will play each other one time with the top two (2) point gainers advancing to a championship game to determine 1st and 2nd place.

Five (5) Team Divisions Each team will play the others once for a total of 4 matches. Championship and Finalist are determined by point standings at the end of round-robin play.

Six (6) Team Divisions: Two (2) groups of 3 teams; Bracket A and Bracket B. Teams will play the three (3) teams, two from within its bracket and one will be in the opposite bracket. The two teams with the highest number of points in each bracket will play in finals.

Eight (8) Team Divisions: Will consist of two (2) groups of four (4) teams each. Teams in each pool will play one another (3 games) with the top point gainers in each bracket advancing to a championship game to determine 1st and 2nd place.

## **FIELD CHECK-IN TIME AND FIELD AND GAME EQUIPMENT**

PLAYER REGISTRATION CARDS AND THE OFFICIAL TEAM ROSTER, APPROVED BY THE NYC CUP STAFF. PLAYER CARDS MUST BE PRESENT AT THE FIELD FOR EACH GAME – REFEREE DISCRETION TO CHECK PLAYER CARDS.

Players' numbers MUST be listed on the Team Roster. Players must wear numbers visible on the back of their uniforms and these numbers shall coincide with those listed on the team's official Roster.

Players shall wear shin guards in accordance with FIFA laws.

No metal cleats will be allowed, and no jewellery will be allowed.

Where opposing team's uniform colors are similar, the designated home team will change colours. The designated home team is listed first on the schedule.

When requested by the referee, each team must provide a referee assistant.

A size 5 ball is used for U13 through U18. Tournament will supply game balls, teams may be asked by referee to use a size 5 ball if necessary.

Players and coaches of both teams will take the same side of the field. All other supporters will take the opposite side.

## **PROTESTS**

All protests will only be entertained if received within 1 hour after the completion of the game in question. All protests must be written and accompanied with the protest fee of \$100.00 payable by cash or money order only. Protest fee will be totally refunded if the protest in question is deemed to be valid.

## **SUBSTITUTIONS**

Unlimited substitutions may be made with the referee's permission: Under no circumstances may substitutions be made (1) on corner kicks or (2) after the game has ended in a tie and FIFA penalty kicks will be required to determine a winner.

- After a goal has been scored;
- At the beginning of the second half of play or prior to the beginning of an overtime period;
- At a goal kick by either team; or
- At a throw in by the team in possession. (teams may "piggy back")
- In case of stoppage of play for an injury

Limited substitutions may be made, with the referee's permission:

- In case of stoppage of play for an injury; or
- Cautioned player (cautioned player only); or
- If a team is abusing the use of substitutions to waste time of running clock

## **GAME AND SCORE REPORTING**

It is the responsibility of the Referee to deliver the completed and signed game sheet to the appropriate Site Official (Division Coordinator/Site Coordinator) promptly at the conclusion of each game. In case of a discrepancy, the Official Game Report Form, signed by the referee, prevails.

## **CONDUCT**

Players, coaches, and spectators are expected to conduct themselves within the Laws of the game. Displays of temper or dissent are cause for ejection from the game and the surrounding field area. Repeated violations may result in the suspension of the team from the tournament as decided by the Tournament Directors.

It is the responsibility of the Club/Team to control the conduct of its parents and other spectators. Failure to do so may result in a warning to the coach or the person acting in the coach's behalf by the referee. If unacceptable conduct continues, the referee may terminate the match. If the match is terminated due to spectator conduct, the Club/Team will be subject to disciplinary action as per FIFA policies.

Alcoholic beverages are **not permitted** at any of the field sites.

## **TOURNAMENT BRACKET CHAMPIONS**

Teams have been assigned to bracket, and there will be a champion in each; however, no awards given. At the conclusion of matches, the team in each division with most points, determined upon the point system below, will be the champion.

For each match, a team will be awarded points, as follows:

- Three points for a win;
- One point for a tie;
- Zero points for a loss;

In any division where there is a tie, the following tie-breaker will be used to determine the champion:

- Winner of head-to-head competition;
- Team with most wins;
- Team with greatest aggregate goal differential determined by adding from each match the net difference of goals scored and goals given. The maximum goal differential per match is three;
- Team that a given the least total actual goals in its matches;

If teams remain tied, they will be declared co-champions.

## **FAILURE TO SHOW AND FORFEITS**

A team shall be allowed a fifteen (15) minute grace period after the scheduled kick-off time before the match is awarded to their opponent. A minimum of seven (7) players constitutes a team and if (7) players are present, the game will not be delayed.

In no case shall a team, which forfeits a game, be declared a group winner. If an apparent group winner forfeits a game, the team in that group with the next best record shall be named the group winner. In addition, in divisions where the second place team of one group plays the first place team of another group in the final game, in no case shall a team, which has forfeited a game, be declared the second place team in a group. The team with the next best record in the division shall be declared the second place team and play in the final game.

If a team is the cause for termination of a game, that team will be considered to have forfeited that game. The determination as to which team is the cause for the termination shall be at the sole discretion of the referee on the field and the decision may not be protested.

A forfeit shall be awarded to the opposing team as three (3) points for a win. The score for all forfeited games will be recorded as a 2-0 result.

Forfeits of a semi-final or championship game shall be recorded as 1.0.

Playing a "red-carded player" (a player receiving either a red card or two yellow cards in one game) in the game following the receipt of a red card or two yellow cards in the same game is grounds for a forfeit.

### **INCLEMENT WEATHER**

In the event of inclement weather, the Tournament Director or official representative(s) will have the authority to:

- Relocate or reschedule any game(s);
- Change the duration of any game(s);
- Cancel any preliminary game(s);
- A game is deemed to be complete if 50% or less remains un-played when called off by a game official due to weather or playing conditions or for any other reason as the referee sees fit.
- Determine the format for advancement.

Tournament Directors can enforce shorter halves to accommodate games played in a consolidated day to ensure inclement weather does not effect play. If severe weather causes cancellation, those games will be deemed as a tie 1-1 tie IF the tournament directors cannot relocate games.

### **GENERAL**

Due to unforeseen circumstances and/or Act of God, the tournament will do its best to schedule three (3) games for each team. However, at the Tournament Director's discretion, the number of games may be reduced and, the tournament is not liable for any expenses and no refunds will be given.

Under no circumstances will Rated Sports Group, ENYYSA or any of their partners and official representatives be responsible for any expenses (including the Tournament entry fee) incurred by any team. This includes a situation whereby the Tournament or any game(s) is cancelled in whole or part.

The Tournament Committee's or their official representative's interpretation of the rules shall be final pertaining to this Tournament.

No items may be sold at Tournament Headquarters, playing fields, or surrounding areas for the duration of the tournament unless specifically sanctioned by Rated Sports and/or Tournament Committee and/or its partners.

The tournament committee, partners and Rated Sports will not be liable for any injuries sustained by any participant in the tournament on or off the field.

**NO alcoholic beverages** are allowed in the park or the parking lot of any of the game sites. Your team will be subject to forfeiting 1 game.

### **TOURNAMENT DISCIPLINE RULES**

Standard FIFA penalties for Player Misconduct will apply.

**DISCIPLINE CARRYOVER**

Discipline will not carry over onto league play unless forced upon by the governing body given the nature of a violent incident.

**REFUND POLICY**

Upon acceptance, the team's entry fee is non-refundable. If your team is accepted and later withdraws, the entry fee is non-refundable.

Refunds will NOT be made if the tournament is cancelled due to weather or Acts of God or shortened games occur.