

**PLAY-OFF HIGHLIGHTS**  
If you don't read anything else, read this!

1. Matches will be conducted in accordance with FIFA Laws of the Game, as modified by AYSO National Guidelines and these Rules.
2. Use of an official Area 1D yellow line-up card is required. A properly completed card shall be presented at the check-in table or to the Referee crew at least 15 minutes before each match. Indicate on the card the reason for any player absence (e.g., injury, illness, etc.). Fill out the lineup of the players in uniform-number order, and include full player names.
3. Match postponements are only allowed to be done by Play-off Officials. During inclement weather, show up at the field unless advised by your Regional Commissioner or his/her designee, or as posted on the Area 1D Website ([www.aysold.org](http://www.aysold.org)).  
Postponements may be posted on the Website at any time during the day, so check frequently during inclement weather.
4. The Home team is responsible for providing appropriately-sized match balls and for changing jerseys (or wearing pinnies) in case of a color conflict with the opposing team. The first team listed on the schedule is the Home team. ALL TEAMS need to check-in with their line-up card and player registration forms at least 30-minutes prior to the first game of the tournament, and must be prepared to check-in at each subsequent game. See "Tournament Rules – Team Designation" on page 3 for which side of the field each team is to sit on.
5. For both League and All-Star play-offs, each team will check in at Campus El Segundo (CES) before the first game. Teams do not need to check in again after the first game; however, spot checks (which may be conducted before the game, at halftime, or after the game) may be conducted by Area staff at later games to ensure roster compliance. On check-in day, please arrive at CES at a time that gives your team ample time to conduct the check-in and then to get to your playing field in time for your game.
6. A Coach Authorization Card will be issued at check-in and is required to be openly worn at each match.
7. Play-offs shall utilize a 10-point system to determine the standings. A tiebreaker system will be utilized.
8. Team standings will be posted on the Area 1D Website ([www.aysold.org](http://www.aysold.org)) under "Programs>10U-12U-14U Play-offs".
9. BOTH teams are responsible for field set-up (goal nets, flags, etc.) prior to the first match of the day. Both participating teams of the last match of the day are responsible for taking down and placing the equipment back in the proper storage.
10. League 10U matches will be conducted in a 7v7 format (minimum of 5 players). The roster size can be up to 12 players, but Regions that elect to send 10U teams with a roster size of greater than 10 will need approval from the Area Director to subsequently play in Section One play-offs. All-Star 10U matches will be conducted in a 7v7 format (minimum of 5 players), with a roster max of 9 players.
11. League 12U matches will be conducted in a 9v9 format (minimum of 6 players), with a roster max of 14.
12. All-Star 12U matches will be conducted in a 9v9 format (minimum of 6 players), with a roster max of 12.
13. All 14U matches will be played in an 11v11 format (minimum of 7 players), with a roster max of 15 players for League and 14 players for All-Stars.
14. **FOR ALL LEAGUE AND ALL-STAR POOL PLAY**, matches can end in a tie after regulation time. Extra-Time periods will not be played in an attempt to resolve ties during Pool Play.
15. **FOR THE ELIMINATION PHASE ONLY**, Extra-Time periods will be played in an attempt to resolve ties. Extra-Time play will conclude when both Extra-Time periods are completed (i.e., no sudden death). All players (except those unavailable due to injury or send-off) must play in at least one Extra-Time period. If the match remains tied after the completion of the Extra-Time periods, a Penalty Shoot-out (formerly, "Kicks-From-The-Mark") shall be conducted to determine the winner. Only those players on the field at the end of the second Extra-Time period may take kicks in the Penalty Shoot-out.
16. Each player participating in League or All-Star play-offs is required to play three quarters (3/4) of the match. The only exception to this rule is during League play for 10U teams with a roster size greater than 10, 12U teams with a roster size greater than 12, or 14U teams with a roster size of 15. In these cases, all players must play 3/4 of the game to the extent possible, but 1 or more players will only be able to play half of the game. In these cases, NO PLAYER MAY PLAY THE FULL GAME. Failure to follow this rule will subject the team to the following (as determined by the Area Director): forfeiture of the game; loss of standings/sportsmanship points; and/or ineligibility for Section Play-offs (regardless of record/finish in the Area Play-offs).
17. A SportsConnect TOURNAMENT Team roster provided by the respective Regional Commissioner or designee is required for each participating team.
18. Uniform standards will be enforced. Names on the back of the jerseys, casts, hard splints, and jewelry of any kind (except medical bracelets or religious items per AYSO National Guidelines) are not allowed, and all Referee decisions are final.
19. All teams will start each match with the maximum 23 Sportsmanship points. Reductions are made by the Referee and Area staff in accordance with the Sportsmanship Guidelines.
20. Standings will be updated as soon as possible after the completion of matches. At the end of Pool Play, teams will be listed in order, with tie-breaking criteria taken into account. Each team's Sportsmanship points average is listed as the second tiebreaker. However, if the difference in average sportsmanship points between the teams is 0.5 or less, then the next tie-breaking criteria will be used for determining the team standings.
21. Sportsmanship points may be deducted by the Area Statistician for any rule violation, including if an assistant coach is listed on the line-up card but not on the official roster signed by the Regional Commissioner or designee.
22. **COACH TRAINING REQUIRED** - Age specific coach training will be required by the coach and the assistant coach to participate in the Area Play-offs: 10U – 10U training OR Z-online 10U AND 10U field training; 12U - 12U training; and 14U - Intermediate training. For this tournament ONLY, it is acceptable to be missing the in-person part of the applicable training.

AMERICAN YOUTH SOCCER ORGANIZATION  
AREA 1D RULES AND REGULATIONS 2025-26  
(LEAGUE CHAMPIONS/ALL-STARS – 10U/12U/14U)

I. TEAM FORMATION AND ELIGIBILITY

A. LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

1. League champions shall be determined by a system devised by the respective Regional Commissioner prior to the start of the season.
2. No roster changes are allowed to a League champion team after 10/31/2025
3. Roster Size Maximum:  
10U – 12 players  
12U – 14 players  
14U – 15 players
4. In order for a player to be eligible for play-off competition, he/she must have played in at least half of the total number of League matches played by that play-off team to which he/she was assigned during the regular season, except in the situation where the player is assigned in time to meet this requirement but is unable to play because of illness, injury, or a change of residence which resulted in a change of Region.
5. Any player determined to have participated on two League teams concurrently shall not be permitted to participate in any post-season play-off matches: League or All-Stars.

B. ALL-STARS

1. The All-Star program is intended to provide an opportunity for those players who have demonstrated good soccer ability and cooperative team spirit to participate on a team composed of players who have similar qualifications.
2. All-Star teams shall be formed no sooner than December 1st for 10U, 12U and 14U. A final team roster shall be given to the Area Play-off Director on or before a specified date prior to the start of the tournament.
3. No roster changes will be allowed once tournament play has begun.
4. Roster Size Maximum:  
10U – 9 players  
12U – 12 players  
14U – 14 players
5. Any Region submitting multiple All-Star teams in a single tier (Premier or Select) must follow AYSO National Guidelines, and those teams must be balanced.
6. All-Star players must compete in the Division in which they participated during the regular season.
7. To be eligible for All-Star competition, a player must have played in at least half of the total number of league matches played by the team to which he/she was assigned during the regular season, except in the situation where the player is assigned in time to meet this requirement but is unable to play because of illness, injury, or a change of residence which resulted in a change of Region.
8. All-Star Premier will consist of All-Star teams from Regions that want to compete at the highest All-Star level. Winning team(s) are eligible for Section Play-off berths. AYSO EXTRA players are not eligible.
9. All-Star Select will consist of teams formed by a Region exclusive of AYSO EXTRA and All-Star Premier players. Each team will play a minimum of 4-5 games. These teams are ineligible for the Section Play-offs.

## II. COMPETITION

### A. MATCH CONDUCT

1. All AYSO matches shall be conducted in accordance with the current FIFA Laws of the Game and decisions of the International Board, AYSO Edition, and National Guidelines in effect at a date specified by the Area Director (approximately the time of team formation for a given season), with any exceptions noted below.
2. All games in both League and All-Stars will be  $\frac{3}{4}$  play. Only players who are injured, sick, show up late, or leave early may play less than three quarters of the game. The only exception to this rule is during League play for 10U teams with a roster size greater than 9, 12U teams with a roster size greater than 12, or 14U teams with a roster size of 15. In these cases, all players must play  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the game to the extent possible, but 1 or more players will only be able to play half of the game. In these cases, NO PLAYER MAY PLAY THE FULL GAME.
3. It is mandatory to play a regularly scheduled match. Failure to do so may result in disciplinary action against the coach or team. The coach may present an excuse for such non-appearances, but the full power to uphold the forfeit, to levy discipline or to reschedule the match shall reside with the Area Director.
4. Coaches, other team officials, and spectators shall not enter the field of play at any time during a match (including during half-time and substitution breaks), unless requested by the Referee.
5. A minimum of seven (7) players shall constitute a team: a scheduled match shall not commence or continue if one or both teams cannot field seven (7) eligible players. In 12U, the minimum shall be six (6) players due to short-sided play. In 10U, the minimum shall be five (5) players due to short-sided play.
6. In case of failure to play a regularly scheduled match, the offending team shall lose said match by a score of 2-0.
  - a. A period of ten (10) minutes after scheduled match time will be allowed prior to declaring a forfeit.
  - b. Failure of a team to play a scheduled match shall result in a forfeit and being awarded 0 sportsmanship points for the match not played.
  - c. All-Star Premier and All-Star Select Teams that forfeit a game will be subject to the loss of a wild card for their respective Region the following year.
7. The point system to be used for the Area 1D Play-offs will be as follows:

Win	6 points
Tie	3 points
Goal	1 point (up to 3 max.)
Shutout	1 point (including 0-0)
Forfeit	9 points (win, plus 2 goals, plus shutout)

### B. TOURNAMENT RULES

#### 1. Team Designation

The first team listed on the schedule shall be designated the Home team and shall be responsible for supplying three (3) appropriately-sized match balls to the Referee. The Home team shall change colors (including wearing pinnies) in the event of a color conflict with the opposing team.

Side of Field - The Home Team players, officials and spectators shall occupy the side of the field listed below; with the opposing team players, officials and spectators occupying the opposite side. If requested by the Referee crew, spectators shall not sit behind the portion of the touchline occupied by the Assistant Referee. Spectators shall not sit behind the goal lines or directly across from the Penalty Areas.

Adams (North Redondo) – South  
Washington (North Redondo) - East  
Marine (Manhattan Beach) - East  
Village (Manhattan Beach) - West Del Aire (Hawthorne) – East  
Alta Vista School (South Redondo) - West  
Parras (South Redondo) - West  
Campus El Segundo - Middle of the Complex (or middle of the 10U fields)

The League champions will be designated as team "A" and Regional guidelines or policies will determine which team shall be designated as the "wild card" teams or team "B", "C" or "D", if applicable. In All-Stars, the Regional Commissioner will determine which team will be designated as team "A", "B", "C" and "D", if applicable.

## 2. Check-In

For the first game of the tournament, the team coach, or a designated representative, and all players shall check-in not less than thirty (30) minutes prior to the scheduled match time at the check-in table, or forty-five (45) minutes OR MORE prior to match time for games played at a different field than the check-in location. For League and All-Stars this year, all check-ins will occur at Campus El Segundo.

Coaches are responsible for bringing to all games the following items (for presentation at the time of check-in):

- | Official team roster
- | Official line-up card (fully completed on front side)
- | E-signed player medical release forms

At the initial check-in, coaches will be issued a Coach Authorization Card. The Coach Authorization Card must be openly displayed on a lanyard worn around the coach's neck throughout each scheduled match. Failure of the coach to openly display their Coach Authorization Card throughout each scheduled match shall result in the loss of sportsmanship points in the appropriate category. In the case where the coach has lost his/her card, a new one will be issued upon verification.

Check-in is only required for the first game. After the first game, coaches will give their completed line-up card to the Referee at each match. Spot checks by Area Board members may be conducted at the field from time-to-time to ensure compliance with rosters.

Any coach or team playing an ineligible player or violating any of these Rules (including playing time rules) will be subject to discipline by the Area Director (including play-off eligibility), and coaching eligibility at the Regional, Area, and Section levels may be impacted.

## 3. Coach Training Requirements for League and All Stars

Age specific coach training will be required for Head Coaches and Assistant Coaches as follows:

- | 10U – 10U training OR Z-online 10U AND 10U field training
- | 12U – 12U training
- | 14U – Intermediate training
- | For this tournament ONLY, it is acceptable to be missing the in-person part of the applicable training.

## 4. Format of Play

- a. For 10U, play in both League and All Stars will be 7v7 (50-minute game)
- b. For 12U, play in both League and All Stars will be 9v9 (60-minute game)
- c. For 14U, play in both League and All Stars will be 11v11 (70-minute game)

## 5. Protests

Referee calls and decisions are final and not grounds for protest.

Questions concerning players or field equipment must be referred to the Referee prior to the start of the match. The Referee's acceptance of the field and match conditions shall be considered final.

## 6. Disciplinary Action

- a. Any player, substitute, substituted player, or coach (including assistant coach) who was or is Sent Off for Violent Conduct during Regional play or any Area play-offs will be ineligible to participate in the Section One play-offs.
- b. Any player, substitute, substituted player, or coach (including assistant coach) who was Sent Off for Violent Conduct during the previous year's Section One play-offs will be ineligible to participate in the current year's Section One play-offs.
- c. Any player, substitute, substituted player, or coach (including assistant coach) Sent Off from a match in the Area play-offs shall be suspended from any participation in that match and in the team's next scheduled match, including when the next scheduled match is at the Section One play-offs.
- d. Any player, substitute, substituted player, or coach (including assistant coach) Sent Off for Violent Conduct, Serious Foul Play, or for spitting/biting an opponent or official shall be suspended for one (1) match in addition to the sanctions in 6-c above.

- e. Any player, substitute, substituted player, or coach (including assistant coach) who are Sent Off for offensive, insulting or abusive language and/or gestures shall be suspended for one (1) match in addition to 6-c above. However, with respect to players, substitutes and substituted players, the Team Member's Coach may petition the Area Director and the Area Referee Administrator (ARA) to review the Referee's report (which should identify the words and/or gestures used, and to whom the misconduct was directed). If a finding is made that the language and/or gesture was self-directed or otherwise without malice, the Area Director and the ARA *may* determine that the additional suspension in this paragraph shall not be imposed.
- f. Any player, substitute, substituted player, or coach (including assistant coach) involved in dissent or unsporting behavior *before or after the match* shall be suspended from all participation for one (1) match in addition to 6-c above. The Area Director may impose a two (2) game suspension depending on the seriousness of the dissent or unsporting behavior. If a suspension of two (2) games is imposed, then the team member who falls under this category will not be eligible to participate in the Section One play-offs.
- g. Any player, substitute, substituted player, or coach (including assistant coach) involved in Violent Conduct or spitting/biting an opponent or official *before or after the match* shall be suspended from all participation for two (2) matches in addition to 6-c above.
- h. Any Coach and/or Assistant Coach Sent-Off for any reason or any spectator expelled from a match for any reason is subject to further discipline at the sole discretion of the Area Director.
- i. All teams are expected to show up for and put forth a maximum effort in each game through the tournament. The Coach and the Region of any team not doing so are subject to sanctions for misconduct at the sole discretion of the Area Director.
- j. A Coach or Assistant Coach who withdraws his/her team from a match in progress without the consent of the Referee shall be suspended for the next two (2) scheduled matches.
- k. Area 1D Board Members and Regional Commissioners have the authority to act, as necessary, to forestall or diffuse potentially difficult situations at any match.
- l. Suspensions shall be served in the next scheduled match or matches, including, as appropriate, when the next match or matches are at the Section One play-offs. If the current tournament ends prior to the completion of the suspension, the suspended individual shall complete serving the suspension in the next available match(es) in any AYSO competition in which he/she participates.
- m. It shall be the responsibility of the Coach, acting Coach, and Assistant Coach to ensure that any suspension is served regardless of whether the Referee fails to note it on the line-up card or otherwise fails to enforce it. A Coach and/or Assistant Coach violating this provision shall be suspended for the next scheduled match.
- n. A suspended Coach or Assistant Coach may not have any interaction with any team member, opposing team member, or Referee from 30 minutes prior to match start time until 30 minutes after the conclusion of the match. A suspended Coach or Assistant Coach is not allowed to be at the field of play or within the boundary fence area or such area as designated by the Referee. Violation of this provision subjects the Coach or Assistant Coach to an additional period of suspension, and the team may be subject to forfeiture of the match or other penalty, as determined by the Area Director.
- o. The Area Director may take additional disciplinary action deemed necessary, after notice to the potentially affected person.

NOTE: The Referee shall submit a report of any misconduct to the Area Director and Area Referee Administrator. A Referee Report is required for Send Offs and expulsions (with a copy sent to the Area Referee Administrator); while Cautions and Warnings are only reported on the back side of the line-up card (except in cases where a report is submitted by the Referee for a Send-Off or expulsion, in which case, the Cautions will also be described). Area 1D Board Members are encouraged to submit their own written report of any serious misconduct they observe off the field of play. The Referee shall also complete a Referee (Misconduct) Report if the following occurs: fighting occurs between players, adult coaches, parents, or spectators; any member of the Referee team is verbally threatened or physically attacked; or law enforcement is called to restore order.

## 7. Field Set Up and Take Down

- a. Each Team shall be equally responsible for set up of the field. The host Region will supply field equipment.
- b. Field take-down and placement in appropriate storage (goal nets and flags, and goals, if applicable) is the responsibility of both teams. Failure to take down and store equipment may result in forfeiture.

## 8. Team Standings and Tie Breakers

Team standings shall be posted at the 10U-14U play-off location on the Area 1D Website ([www.aysold.org](http://www.aysold.org)).

Area 1D shall utilize a 10-point system structure. The scoring system is as noted in Section II.A Paragraph 7 above.

The final standings will be determined by dividing each team's total standings points by the number of games played. In the event of a tie for any position in the standings, then the tie breaking rules as described below shall be utilized to determine order of finish.

Awards will be given to 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place teams.

League - The winner (designated as D or D1) of the play-off ladder championship match will move on as the Area representative in the Section play-offs. If there is a Section wildcard, then the loser of the championship match will move on as the wildcard (designated as D2). If there is a second wildcard, then only the teams competing in the semifinals will be considered. The basis of determining the second wildcard (designated as D3) will be the tie breaking rules listed below.

Premier All-Stars - In divisions with 6 or more teams, the team obtaining the most points will be the Champion and be designated as D1 in the Section Play-off schedule (see exception below). If there is a Section wildcard, then the team obtaining the second highest points will move on as the first wildcard (designated as D2). If there is a second wildcard, then the team obtaining the third highest points will move on as the second wildcard (designated as D3). The tie breaking rules listed below will be utilized to determine order of finish. In divisions with fewer than 6 teams, there will be a semifinal play-off between the 1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> place teams, and the 2nd and 3rd place teams (based on highest points in pool play and tiebreakers) for the right to play in the Championship game. In this case, the winner of the championship game advances as D1, and if there is a wildcard the loser of the championship game advances as D2, and if there is a second wildcard, the team with the highest pool play points as D3. EXCEPTION – in Premier All-Stars ONLY, in a division with 6 or more teams ONLY, if 2 (and ONLY 2) teams both win all their games except drawing with each other, AND there is only one Section Play-off berth -- In this case, total points will not determine first versus second, and no tiebreakers will be utilized. Instead, a Championship Game will be scheduled and played to determine the 1<sup>st</sup> place team and Section play-off berth.

Select All Stars – Medals will be awarded based on standings in pool play or play-offs, depending on the size of the division. Placement is based on points earned, with the tiebreakers listed below. There is no advancement to Section play-offs.

In the event of a tie in the standings, the following tie-breaking criteria and rules shall be used in the order as listed below:

- a. HOW THE TEAMS PLAYED AGAINST EACH OTHER: The team that won the match when they played against each other shall be ahead in the standings.
- b. SPORTSMANSHIP POINTS: The team with the highest average sportsmanship points for all matches played shall be ahead in the standings. (NOTE: If there is a .5 or less difference in average Sportsmanship points per game between the teams, then the next criteria will be used for determining the team standings.)
- c. “GOALS FOR/GOALS AGAINST” DIFFERENCE: The team receiving the adjusted highest “goals for/goals against” difference (three (3) goals max. per match) shall be ahead in the standings.
- d. GOALS AGAINST: The team receiving the lowest number of adjusted goals scored against them (three (3) goals max. per match) shall be ahead in the standings.
- e. GOALS FOR: The team receiving the highest adjusted total goals (three (3) goals max. per match) shall be ahead in the standings.
- f. NUMBER OF WINS: The team with the highest number of wins shall be ahead in the standings.
- g. LOWEST NUMBER OF LOSSES: The team with the lowest number of losses shall be ahead in the standings.
- h. COIN TOSS: The team winning a coin toss shall be ahead in the standings.

## 9. Duration of Matches

- a. 10U matches shall be two (2) halves of twenty-five (25) minutes each.
- b. 12U matches shall be two (2) halves of thirty (30) minutes each.
- c. 14U matches shall be two (2) halves of thirty-five (35) minutes each.
- d. Half-time period shall be a minimum of five (5) minutes as designated by the Referee.

## 10. Playing Time and Substitution

All registered players must participate and play at least three quarters of the match, and one-half of any Extra Time, unless due to injury or Send Off. Each player must play at least one period in Extra Time. The only exception to this rule is during League play for 10U teams with a roster size greater than 10, 12U teams with a roster size greater than 12, or 14U teams with a roster size of 15. In these cases, all players must play 3/4 of the game to the extent possible, but 1 or more players will only be able to play half of the game. In these cases, NO PLAYER MAY PLAY THE FULL GAME.

Such participation is controlled as follows:

1. Approximately midway through each half the Referee shall permit substitution. This normally occurs during a regular stoppage in play, and the game is resumed with the appropriate restart (i.e., throw-in, goal kick, corner kick, kick-off, free kick, penalty kick or dropped ball). On occasion the Referee may need to stop play for substitution while the ball is in play, in which case the game is resumed with a dropped ball.
2. Substitutions may also be made at half-time, at the start of any Extra Time periods, or due to injury.
3. When the Referee signals for substitution, the coaches should have all substitutes leaving the game immediately report to the Referee or the designated Assistant Referees, who shall note on the lineup cards those team members substituting. When the Referee signals for the players to take their positions on the field so the match may resume, the Coaches are responsible for having their respective players promptly comply. In the Referee's sole discretion, a team's failure to comply may result in the loss of one (1) or more Sportsmanship Points or a Caution (yellow card) to the applicable Coach.
4. During such stoppages, the coach of each team may substitute any number of team members, or none, including previously substituted team members, as long as all eligible team members meet the minimum playing requirements.
5. The Referee may allow for any time lost in accordance with AYSO National Rules and Regulations.
6. Substitution for injury:
  - a. If a player is injured, the coach may provide a substitute for the player, in which case the injured player may not return until the beginning of the next "quarter". Only the player who is injured is credited with a "quarter" played regardless of the actual time played.
  - b. The coach may choose to not substitute and "play short" thereby allowing the injured player to return during the "quarter" in which he or she was injured.
  - c. The player must receive a signal from the Referee in order to return to the game.
  - d. An injured/ill player missing future quarters due to such injury/illness should be marked "I" on the line-up card for each such quarter.
7. Late arriving team members (marked "L" on the line-up card, for each quarter not present at the beginning of such quarter) shall be subject to the following rules:
  - a. If the team member arrives during the first "quarter", the team member must play a minimum of two of the remaining three "quarters".
  - b. If the team member arrives during the second or third "quarter", the team member must play a minimum of one "quarter".

Signed line-up cards must be completed (including sportsmanship points) by the Referee, with copies/photographs of the cards subsequently forwarded by the teams' coaches to the Area Play-off Director or designee, as directed hereafter by the Area Director.

## 11. Officiating

- a. Each Region, through the Regional Referee Administrator or his/her designee, shall furnish qualified Referees, in standard uniforms, for matches as assigned by the Area Referee Administrator. If the Referees are not on the field five (5) minutes prior to the scheduled beginning time of the match, the teams shall immediately notify the Area representative (i.e., the Area Referee Administrator and/or the Area Director).

## 12. Size of the Ball

10U	Size 4
12U	Size 4
14U	Size 5

## 13. Professional Photography

- a. The Area Director is the only individual who may authorize a professional photographer to take pictures of players in action during the Area play-offs.

## III. TEAMS

- A. Team rosters are required for all teams participating in the Area play-offs. Each roster will be accompanied with proof of volunteer status for the current year, Safe Haven certification and age-appropriate coach training. Only SportsConnect Tournament rosters will be accepted. Rosters will contain the following information:

1. Area and Region number

2. Boys/Girls designation
3. Division (10U, 12U or 14U)
4. Team name and team designation
5. Team colors (shirt, shorts and socks)
6. Coach information (address, phone numbers, e-mail)
7. Assistant Coach information (address, phone numbers, e-mail)
8. National player registration number
9. Player's uniform number
10. Player's name, address, phone, birth date
11. Regional Commissioner's or designee's name

All-Star 10U team rosters shall be limited to 9 players and conduct the match in an 7v7 format. 12U All-Star team rosters will be limited to 12 players and conduct matches in a 9v9 format, while 14U rosters will be limited to 14 players max and play will be 11v11. The roster limitation at the Area level is intended to accommodate  $\frac{3}{4}$  play by all participants. Failure to follow this rule will eliminate the team from the Section One Tournament, regardless of finish in the Area play-offs.

All team rosters shall be presented to the Area Tournament Director in advance of the first match. League rosters cannot be changed – adding or deleting players from the fall season team roster is not allowed. All-Star rosters are the only rosters that may be amended any time prior to the first match in which that team competes.

## B. PROPER DRESS

1. Players are required to wear the AYSO uniform as issued by the Region in which they are registered. Names on jerseys are not allowed. Additionally, each player's socks shall be of the same color and, with the exception of the goalkeeper, match the socks of the other team members. Each goalkeeper wears colors that distinguish him/her from the other players (both teams), the Referee, and the assistant Referees.
2. The Referee shall be solely responsible for determining if color conflicts would hinder her/his ability to differentiate between the teams. In such case, the Home team shall be responsible for wearing alternate jerseys or pinnies.
3. During inclement weather the following additional guidelines shall be observed:
  - a. Players may wear sweatshirts, sweat pants, and/or similar garments. It is not required that all team members wear sweats.
  - b. Sweatshirts shall be worn under the team jersey. Hoods on hooded style shirts must be tucked in the jersey, not outside or on the head.
  - c. Sweat pants shall be worn under the team shorts.

## APPENDIX A

### SPORTSMANSHIP GUIDELINES

The Area 1D Play-off Director will record from the game card points in five categories that reflect the level of Sportsmanship shown by each team. These categories are (1) Conduct of Players; (2) Conduct of Coaches; (3) Conduct of Spectators; (4) Uniform Appearance; and (5) Courtesy Toward Referees. All teams will start with the maximum five (5) points in each category (except in the Uniform Appearance category where the maximum is three (3) points). When warranted, points will be deducted from the appropriate category.

The Referee shall list the points awarded to each team on the back of the Area 1D line-up card at the end of the match. Only that information on the card shall be considered. If no points are listed, then the team shall be awarded the maximum Sportsmanship points.

The Area 1-D staff representative(s) shall attach information as required informing the Area Director of additional circumstances that may affect point totals. Examples include: lack of cooperation at check-in, wrong line-up card, failure to remove trash from spectator areas after a match, and display of poor attitudes anywhere in the tournament complex before, during, or after the match.

#### Criteria for Reductions of Sportsmanship Points

Five (5) points will be lost from the respective Conduct categories:

- | when a player, coach, or spectator is sent off (red card) or expelled;

One (1) point will be lost from the respective Conduct categories for each observation:

- | when a player or coach is cautioned (e.g., yellow card);
- | when trash is left behind by a team after the match;
- | when unsporting, irresponsible or other improper behavior occurs by a spectator, player, or coach.

One (1) point will be lost from the Coach category for each observation:

- | when the line-up card is improperly filled out – one (1) point deduction for each error, max. of three (3) points;
- | when the coach fails to display a Coach Authorization Card throughout a match (i.e., on a lanyard around the neck);
- | when a coach persistently is outside of the technical area;
- | when coach lists an assistant coach on the match line-up card who has failed to be included on the official roster;
- | when a team runs up the score in a manner which is considered to be unsporting in the opinion of the Referee.

One (1) point will be lost from the Uniform category for each observation:

- | when any player is not in a regulation uniform.

One (1) point will be lost from the Conduct of Spectators category for each observation:

- | when spectators express repeated disrespect or disagreement regarding calls towards members of the Referee team;
- | when spectators continue to interfere with or obstruct the view of an Assistant Referee after being requested to move;
- | when spectators intentionally decline to move to their designated side of the field (or other proper location);
- | when spectators use artificial noisemakers (air horn, bull horn, speakers, etc.) or direct improper comments towards players.

One (1) point will be lost from the Courtesy Toward Referees category for each observation:

- | repeated disrespect or disagreement regarding calls by players, coaches or spectators towards members of the Referee team;
- | continual interference with or obstructing the view of an assistant Referee after being requested to move;
- | intentional or unreasonable delay, after Referee's whistle, in beginning the match or second half or after substitution break;
- . other disrespectful, discourteous or abusive actions or words directed at members of the Referee team.

One (1) point may be regained for any one-point deduction when the Referee team notices before, during, or after a match, a particular action by players, coaches, or spectators which is exemplary of AYSO standards of good sportsmanship. Referees will attempt to note such action on the match line-up card.

## APPENDIX B

### EXTRA TIME PROCEDURES

During Area 1D League Pool Play and All-Star Pool Play of the Area 1D Tournament, all games that end in a tie will be recorded as a tie, and each team will receive the appropriate points. In Elimination rounds, any game that is tied after regulation time will be resolved by Extra Time periods. If, at the end of two full Extra Time periods, the score remains tied, a Penalty Shoot-out (formerly, "Kicks-From-The-Mark") shall be conducted to determine the winner.

#### Extra Time Rules:

- a. All players must play in at least one Extra Time period, except if unavailable or ineligible due to injury or send off.

Substitution shall occur at the start of each Extra Time period.

- b. Two (2) full Extra Time periods shall be played, each as follows:

10U	5 minutes
12U	7 minutes
14U	9 minutes

Both Extra Time periods are played to completion (no sudden death or golden goal). If the score remains tied at the end of Extra Time, a Penalty Shoot-out (formerly, "Kicks-From-The-Mark") shall be conducted in accordance with the procedures set forth in the FIFA Laws of the Game to determine the winner.

- c. Penalty Shoot-out (formerly "Kicks From The Mark")

In the case of a tie at the conclusion of the two Extra Time periods, the winner shall be determined by the taking of a Penalty Shoot-out as follows: each team shall alternately take five kicks at the same goal; each one shall be taken by a different player; the team scoring the most goals shall be declared the winner. Should both teams score the same number of goals after five kicks, the taking of kicks shall continue in the same order (each kick being taken by a different player until all players on the field at the end of the second extra period have been used) until such time as both teams have taken an equal number of kicks (not necessarily five) and one team has scored a goal more than the other. This team shall be declared the winner.

If all players of each team have been used and the match is still tied, then the taking of kicks shall continue in accordance with the Laws of the Game.

The goalkeeper may be changed after any kick. Only the players on the field at the termination of the last Extra Time period may take kicks: none of these players may be exempted from taking a kick if the number of kicks required to be taken equals or exceeds the number of players on the field.

If one team is playing short due to injury or a Send-Off of one or more players, then the opposing team shall reduce their number of players allowed to take a kick to the same number of players taking kicks on the opposing team before the taking of the first kick of the Penalty Shoot-out.