# AYSO Area 10-E 16U/19U 2025 Format of Competition

Due to the lower enrollment this season, there are some changes from our normal format. The format this year varies by division as described below:

#### Format of Play for Each Division

Boys 16U (5 teams): Same as previous years: each team will play 8 pool play matches (they will play each other team in the division twice). At the end of the pool play there will be a double elimination tournament with the seeding determined by the standings at the end of poolplay. This tournament starts Wednesday October 15 for the 4th and 5th place teams and Sunday October 19 for everyone else and ends on Sunday November 2 (with a final match, if needed, on Monday, November 3).

Girls 16U (4 teams): We were unable to engage Area W to provide matches, so there will be an extended pool play round with each team playing each other 3 times (total of 9 matches per team). At the end of pool play there will be a single elimination with the semis on Sunday October 26 and the final on Sunday November 2.

Boys 19U (4 teams): Each team will play 6 pool play matches and two "friendlies" with a team from Area W (Camarillo, Ventura, Oxnard, Ojai, etc.) for a total of 8 matches. At the end of pool play a double elimination tournament will be seeded based on standing of the six pool play matches, starting Sunday October 19 and ending on November 2 (with a final match, if needle, on Monday November 3.

Girls 19U (2 teams): The teams will play each other twice and the rest of their matches will be versus Area W teams. At the end of the season there will either be a single playoff match or a best 2 out of 3 to determine the division champion. The format will be determined by the Area Director in consultation with the two coaches.

## **Schedule Status**

The schedules (Version D posted on the website) should be firm for the 16U division and for B19U, except for the matches with Area W teams. Unfortunately, the G19U schedule is completely up in the air as we are dependent on Area W providing most of the matches.

#### **Post Season**

The annual Section 10 Invitational Tournament is scheduled for November 8th and 9th at the Kern County Soccer Park in Bakersfield. Normally, Area E is allotted one team in each division. That team will be the winner of the end-or-season tournament in their division, *subject to approval or the Area Director.* Approval may be withheld in the event of serious misconduct on the part of a team, its coach and/or parents, or failure to comply with the Section 10 requirements regarding participation in the tournament. In the event that Area E is awarded a second entry in any division, or if the tournament winning team is not able to attend, then the runner up in the Area elimination tournament will be invited to Bakersfield.

## **Area E 2025 16U/19U Calendar**

Wed 9/3/25 First matches of the season

Matches continue Wednesday evenings at 6:00 and 7:45 at Dos Vientos and Sunday mornings at 9:00 and 10:45 at Conejo Creek

Wed 10/1/25 No matches (Jewish holiday)

Wed 10/15/25 Start of B16U double elimination tournament

Sun 10/19/25 Start of B19U double elimination tournament

Sun 10/26/25 Start of G16U single elimination tournament (semi final round)

Sun 11/2/25 Finals for all division tournaments

Mon 11/3/25 Extra match possible for boys divisions if double elimination "losers bracket" team

wins on 11/2

Sat 11/8/25 Section 10 invitational tournament, Bakersfield