

NCRSL Fall 2017 Tournament Rules

Hosted by Lawrence Soccer Club (LSC)

RULES AND REGULATIONS

All matches will be played under FIFA Laws of the Game as amended by USYSA except as noted by NCRSL Modified Laws and specific modifications made for tournament play as noted below.

REGISTRATION FEES

Teams will pay an entry fee to the Tournament Committee prior to their first pool match. The fee includes money for trophies and/or medals, cost of referees and software for the tournament. The fee for each of the division is as follows:

U12 - \$275 per team

U14 - \$290 per team

Please bring one check per club to the registration table at the concession stand on the first morning of the tournament or mail to: Lawrence Soccer Club, P.O. Box 26207, Indianapolis, IN 46226. Phone 317-595-1850.

TEAM/PLAYER ELIGIBILITY

All teams must have an IYSA roster signed by a current board representative from the club and kept by the coach of each team and provided to the referees prior to the game. Each Club is responsible for ensuring their rosters are accurate, true, and comply with NCRSL guidelines. Each player may be rostered on only one team for tournament games - players may not be "double-rostered." The appropriate tournament divisions apply: U19 Coed, U16 Coed, U14/U15 Boys, U14/U15 Girls, U12 Boys, and U12 Girls.

The format for all tournament games will be consistent with NCRSL rules, if a team does not have the appropriate number of players at game time, the team forfeits the game according to tournament guidelines.

Teams should arrive to the match at least 20 minutes before the match is scheduled to start. Schedules are tight and matches must begin on time, if a team is not ready to play within 5 minutes of the scheduled start time, the match is subject to forfeiture.

MATCH FORMAT AND DURATION

Each team will play a minimum of 2 games in pool play on Saturday. Pool play matches may end in a tie. There will be no overtime for pool play matches. Teams advancing, as determined by the tournament schedule and points accumulated, will play in semifinal matches on Sunday. The semifinal winners will meet in the League Championship game Sunday afternoon. If an age group division has less than (8) teams, there will be only one Final match on Sunday (no semi-finals).

The home team will provide an appropriate match ball and is listed first on the schedule. There will be a running clock for all matches; it will not stop except for serious injuries. The Tournament Committee reserves the right to shorten halves due to weather conditions, field conditions or other factors.

| Division | Halves for Pool Play | Halves for Semi-Finals and Finals |
|-----------------|-----------------------------|--|
| U19 | 30 minutes | 30 minutes |
| U16 | 30 minutes | 30 minutes |
| U14 | 30 minutes | 30 minutes |
| U12 | 25 minutes | 25 minutes |

UNIFORMS

Each player must wear appropriate shoes, shin guards, and uniform. The home team will change jerseys or wear practice vests for uniforms with similar colors.

SUBSTITUTIONS

Unlimited and may occur during the following:

- Before a throw-in in your favor, or when both teams are substituting on a throw-in.
- After a goal by either team.
- Before a goal kick by either team.
- At half-time or before the start of any overtime period.
- In case of injury or stoppage of play – with the referee's permission.
- At the discretion of the Referee.

SEND-OFFS & EXCLUSIONS

Any player sent off or coach expelled from a match will be ineligible for that team's next match. At the time of the send-off, no substitution will be allowed for the player sent off. Anyone fighting can be subject to further discipline, including suspension for the remainder of the tournament.

FAILURE TO SHOW AND FORFEITS

A five minute grace period from the scheduled kick-off will be used to determine if a match is subject to forfeiture. The Tournament Directors will make a final decision as to whether a forfeit will be declared depending on extenuating circumstances or other reasons that prevented a team from making the match on time. If a forfeit is declared, the winning team will be awarded a score of 3-0 and will receive the appropriate points for the match.

PROTESTS

There are no protests.

TEAM SCORING FORMAT

The following scoring format will be used to determine team rankings in pool play: three (3) points for a win, one (1) point for a tie, zero (0) points for a loss and (1) point for a shut out. In the event of a tie in the final point standings, the following sequence will be used:

1. Head to head competition between teams that are tied (skip to #2 if 3 or more teams are tied).
2. Winner of the most games.
3. Best goal differential for all matches – up to 4 per match.
4. Fewest goals allowed.
5. Most goals scored – up to 4 per match.
6. Coin Toss.

CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH AND SEMI-FINAL MATCHES

Should a semi-final match end in a tie at the end of regulation, then Kicks from the Penalty Mark will determine the winner. Per FIFA procedures kicks from the mark will start with 5 players from each team; and, if still tied, will continue until sudden death penalty kick.

Championship games will include a "Walk Out" in which before the game starts each team will follow the referees in a single file from their bench area across the center line and line up ten yards from the spectators to be congratulated for making it to the final game. At this point teams will shake hands in a line (similar to post game) to signify respect for each other and the game.

Should the championship game end in a tie at the end of regulation, two 5 minute overtimes will be played. In the event of a tie at the conclusion of the two overtimes, then Kicks from the Penalty Mark will determine the winner.

Per FIFA procedures kicks from the mark will start with 5 players from each team; and, if still tied, will continue until sudden death penalty kick.

AWARDS

There will be awards for the finalist and championship teams as well as a trophy for the winning club.

INCLEMENT WEATHER AND CANCELLATIONS

The tournament committee will make every effort to play all matches in full. However, the tournament committee has the right to either shorten and/or to cancel matches due to climactic conditions or other acts of nature which are beyond our control.

COACH/PLAYER/SPECTATOR CONDUCT

Coaches are responsible for the conduct of players, parents and spectators. Please help us make sure everyone has an enjoyable time. Anyone not abiding by the code of conduct, including coaches and fans, will be given one warning. After that they should not be surprised if they are sent off for the day.

TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE

The Tournament Committee will enforce the rules as written, but the committee reserves the right to amend any rule as necessary to accommodate unanticipated problems before and/or during the tournament. The decision of the committee will be final.

ADDITIONAL CLUB SAFETY RULES

Lawrence Soccer Complex(LSC) is a smoke free facility.
No alcohol or profanity is allowed at the LSC facility.
No climbing on nets or goals.
No grills are allowed at the LSC facility.
Park only in designated areas.
Parents are responsible for their children at all times.
No pets during tournament at LSC.