

2014 Comet Classic - Tournament Rules

Laws of the Game

1. All games shall be played in accordance with USYSA/FIFA rules, unless otherwise specifically stated.
2. Referee's decisions are final.
3. Tournament Director's decisions are final.
4. The Tournament Director will determine the length of the suspension of any player who receives a red card.
5. No protests will be accepted.
6. Offside will be called at all age groups U-9 and above.
7. U-8 teams play with 4 players using a size 3 ball. U-9 and U-10 teams play with 6 players using a size 4 ball. U-11 and U-12 teams play with 8 players using a size 4 ball. U-13, U-14, U-15, U-16, U-17, U-19, and Adult play with 11 players using a size 5 ball.
8. The tournament is scheduled to be completed in two days, however, in the event of bad weather forcing delays some teams may have to play on Monday, May 26th.

Duration of the Games

1. Team instructions and inspections, will begin 15 minutes prior to game time at the assigned field by the Field Marshal, the referees will handle the coin flip.
2. U-8 games will consist of 4 - 10 minute quarters and a 5 minute half time. U-9 and U-10 games will consist of 2 - 20 minute halves and a 5 minute half time. U-11, U-12, U-13, and U-14 games will consist of 2 - 25 minute halves and a 5-minute half time. U-15, U-16, U-17, U-19, and U-23 games will consist of 2 - 30 minute halves and a 5-minute half time.
3. There is no on field warm-up time.
4. The Tournament Director reserves the right to change game duration's and field locations due to weather and/or field conditions.
5. Monday, May 26th will only be used if weather conditions on Saturday and Sunday force the reschedule of games. Make sure to check the on site schedule carefully.

Scoring

1. Points:
6 points for a WIN
3 points for a TIE
0 points for a LOSS
1 point for each GOAL (up to 3 goals)
1 point for a SHUT OUT

Maximum points per game are 10.

2. Tie Breakers for Preliminary Rounds
 1. Head to head competition.
 2. Fewest goals allowed.
 3. Most goals scored.
 4. Fewest yellow and red cards accumulated.
 5. Kicks from the penalty spot (5v5, then 1v1 sudden victory). These kicks may be taken on any goal post selected by the tournament director.

Tie Breakers for Championship games will be kicks from the penalty spot (5v5, then sudden victory). Any player rostered can participate in the shoot out.

Team Rosters

1. Your team roster must include all players playing on the team.
2. Players are to play on one team only.
3. There are special circumstances where the tournament director may allow a player to be added to a team roster during the tournament.
4. During play only the players on the team roster may be on the team side of the field.
5. **Each team needs to fill out the Tournament Roster form or provide a copy of your USSF team roster to the Tournament Director prior to the first game. If you have combined players from more than one team, include USSF rosters of the two or more teams. Each player needs to be verified that they are USSF registered by being listed on a USSF roster or a player pass. For select teams, player passes may be required prior to any game.**
6. *A team representative needs to check in at the registration area 30 minutes prior to the first game. You will receive your participation medals, and will be advised of any tournament changes.*

Field Rules

1. A team has only a 5-minute grace period before a forfeit will be declared. The winning team would be awarded a 3-0 win. A team and club not showing for up for a game may receive sanctioning from the USSF and WYSA Soccer.
2. The team listed last is always the home team and will change jersey color in the event of a color conflict. Make sure you are prepared to change colors.
3. All players and spectators are required to remain behind the spectator lines. This area is 10 feet off of the field and extends from one penalty box to the other.

Awards

1. Each player in U-8, U-9, and U-10 will receive individual medals.
2. U-9 through Adult divisions with less than six teams will have first place individual trophies. U-9 through Adult divisions with six or more teams will have first and second place individual trophies.
3. **Please pick up all awards at the registration table.**

General

1. Please place all refuse in proper containers.
2. ***No pets, No open fires, No alcoholic beverages, and No smoking on the grounds.***
3. Park only in designated lots. The main school lot is to be used as the primary parking area. **Do not park on the grass! Do not park on Creek Road!**
4. Coaches are responsible for all their spectators and player conduct.
5. There will be a concession stands providing food and beverages. The tournament fee is low to allow any team to play; we appreciate any support you can provide the fund raising concession stands.
6. ***In the event some or the entire tournament is canceled a portion of the entry fee will be refunded based on games played. The refund will be issued within 45 days after the tournament scheduled competition.***
7. ***The tournament has tournament medical and liability insurance is through the WYSA, insurance certificates can be supplied if needed.***
8. ***There will be a medical trainer available in the referees tent.***