

Area 2B Tournament
December 1st & 2nd, 2018
Rules and Regulations
(updated Nov 29, 2018)

A. Organization

1. All matches will be played according to FIFA Laws of the Game and AYSO National Rules and Regulations unless modified by these regulations.
2. A **mandatory** coaches' tournament orientation meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 27th, 2018 at San Bruno Park & Rec beginning at 7 PM.
3. In order to assure participation and team eligibility, teams must submit an Blue Sombrero generated fall season roster. **No changes to the fall roster will be allowed.**
4. All matches shall be two twenty (20) minute halves with substitution approximately midway between each half. Championship matches will be 25-minute halves for 12U and 30-minute halves for 14U.
5. If there is a color conflict, the home team shall wear a different color or wear pinnies. The pinnies will be available at the team check-in site.
6. League rules for player participation apply. Failure to allow any eligible player to participate the minimum number of quarters allowed will result in a forfeit for that team with a score of 1-0, or the existing score, whichever was greater.

B. Coaches

1. Coaches will comply with all of the Rules and Regulations.
2. All Coaches and assistant coaches must be certified at the age appropriate level, must have a current volunteer form on file and be Safe Haven trained and certified as of fall 2012.
3. Coaches must attend or send a designated assistant to the coaches' tournament orientation meeting on November 27, 2018. The meeting will begin promptly at 7PM. Coaches must bring their original "wet signature" Blue Sombrero-generated player medical forms (eSignatures are acceptable). Player passes and four (4) properly filled out player lineup cards. **LINEUP CARDS MUST BE COMPUTER GENERATED, NOT HANDWRITTEN.**
4. Coaches and assistant coaches **must** be listed on the original roster in order to be in the technical area.
5. Coaches and players from both teams will be in the technical area that extends 10 yards in both directions from the halfway line and 3 yards behind the touchline on one side of the field. A maximum of two (2) coaches will be permitted with the players. All others, including parents, spectators, and observers, will be on the opposite side of the field during all tournament matches. No one will be allowed behind the goal area.
6. Coaches are responsible for the actions and conduct of their players and spectators during the matches.
7. **Coaches may not substitute for any player on their fall rosters. NO EXCEPTIONS.**

C. Referees

1. Each region will be assigned field(s) and time(s) and will be responsible for all of the referee assignments on the field during that time. All matches will be officiated by three (3) referees. The Area Referee Coordinator will be responsible for the Region's assignments.
2. In order for matches to remain on schedule, field marshals will conduct pre-game team inspections and collect line-up cards prior to the match's scheduled start time. This will facilitate keeping all matches on schedule.
3. Youth referees may be assigned as Assistant Referee as long as they have at least a Regional Referee badge and are at least two (2) years older than the age division assigned to.
4. Referees and Assistant Referees are expected to wear their highest grade AYSO badge and only an AYSO badge at all matches.

D. Scheduling

1. All matches must be played at the scheduled time. No matches may be started more than five (5) minutes after the scheduled start of that match.
2. Teams need to be assembled and prepared for check-in fifteen (15) minutes prior to the start of each scheduled match.
3. A minimum of seven (7) players in 14U, six (6) players in 12U, and five (5) players in 10U will be necessary for a team to start a match. Failure to field a team within five (5) minutes of the scheduled start time will result in a forfeiture of the match and the winning team will be awarded a 1-0 win and seven (7) points for the match. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**
4. Qualifying teams will be ranked based on the Fall League standings:
 - The 4 teams in the 10U Division and the 4 teams 14U Division will play a round robin format.
 - The 8 teams in the 12U Divisions will be split into 2 pools. Pool 1 will include the 1st, 4th, 5th, and 8th place teams. Pool 2 will include the 2nd, 3rd, 6th, & 7th placed teams. The teams with the highest points from each pool will advance to the championship match.

E. Matches

1. All non-championship matches will be forty (40) minute duration consisting of two twenty (20) minute halves. Matches will be halted approximately half-way through each half to allow for player substitution per AYSO rules. No stoppage time will be allowed.
2. Properly validated lineup cards will be presented to the fourth official or tournament staff member inspecting the teams 15 minutes prior to the match. All assigned players on the team must be listed on the lineup card in numerical order. If a player is absent or is present but cannot play, the reason must be noted on the lineup card. The coach shall have in their possession the original player participation (medical release) forms for each player listed.
3. Each team must play all assigned matches, or they will be immediately disqualified.
4. At the conclusion of each match, the referee will turn in the completed lineup cards, including the match report, to the tournament staff.

F. Scoring & Tie Breakers

1. Scoring for the tournament will be as follows:
 - a) Six (6) points will be awarded for a WIN.
 - b) Three (3) points will be awarded for a TIE.
 - c) One (1) point will be awarded for each goal scored up to a maximum of three (3) per match.
 - d) One (1) point will be **DEDUCTED** for each yellow card.
 - e) Three (3) points will be **DEDUCTED** for each red card. Two yellow cards issued to the same player in the same match will result in a total of a three (3) point deduction.
2. Should there be a tie at the end of group play, the tie will be broken using the following criteria:
 - a) Head to head competition.
 - b) Least goals allowed.
 - c) Most goals scored.
 - d) Most shutouts.
 - e) Least number of red cards.
 - f) Least number of yellow cards.
 - g) The tournament director will arrange a shootout to break the tie in seeding if both teams can be notified and a suitable location can be arranged. At the director's discretion, a coin toss may be substituted.
3. Should there be a tie in the Championship or any other elimination match, it will be resolved as follows:
 - a) Two (2) five-minute overtime periods.
 - b) If still tied, the teams will take kicks from the penalty mark per FIFA rules.

G. Conduct

1. Players, coaches and spectators will conduct themselves in a manner becoming a member of AYSO.
2. Negative comments and complaints about the referees will not be tolerated and it is the responsibility of the coaches to control.
3. Foul and abusive language will not be tolerated. Referees will terminate a match if coaches, spectators or parents are improper in their conduct and do not respond to requests for appropriate behavior. Incidents involving foul and abusive language will be reported to the tournament staff.
4. If for any reason, a match is terminated before the expiration of regular time, the results of the match will be determined by the tournament staff.
5. "Running Up" the score is **STRONGLY** discouraged. A team is considered to have run up the score when it wins by more than a five (5) goal differential. **The tournament staff will deduct points if a team blatantly ignores the recommendation.**
6. Use of any ineligible player will result in the team's suspension from the tournament and the team will forfeit all matches by a score of 1-0.

H. Cautions and Dismissals

1. Any outstanding player suspension that occurred during the Fall Season will carry over into Area Tournament play.
2. A player shown a red card by the referee will immediately be ejected from the facility and will be suspended from the next scheduled match.
3. The tournament committee, based on the severity of the infraction(s), may impose suspension beyond one (1) match.
4. Two (2) red cards received by a player will disallow further participation in the tournament.
5. Two (2) yellow cards received during the tournament by the same player will result in suspension from the next match.
6. A coach sent from the field will be suspended for the remainder of the tournament.
7. All cautions and dismissals must be documented by the referee on the back of the lineup card.

I. Protests

1. All decisions are final.
2. No protests will be allowed.

J. Awards

1. Awards will be presented to the first and second place teams in each division.

Tournament Staff:

Lou Skyriotis	Area Director
Mary Milliken	League Director 12U-14U
John Keefer	Area Coach Administrator
Sherman Lam	Area Referee Administrator
Gary Post	RC-145
Sirena Dimas	RC-146
Jamie Warden	RC-157
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Sam Habash	Scheduler

