

# Octoberfest Showcase - Rules and Regulations

October 8-10, 2021

All games shall be played in accordance with the Laws of the Game as issued by FIFA/USYSA and Illinois Youth Soccer Association. The following rules supplement the Laws of the Game.

## REGISTRATION & ELIGIBILITY

- All teams are required to check in at the registration site, new GLSA Office located at the Libertyville Township Soccer Complex either, Thursday Night, Oct 7, 3pm - 9pm or Friday Night, Oct 8, 3pm - 9pm. There will be no on-site check-in.
- All non-IYSA registered teams must present a completed medical release form and IYSA Covid 19 Waiver for each participant at Registration, which the tournament will keep. IYSA registered teams are not required to present these forms. In the event of an injury, the Tournament Host is required to keep a copy of the medical release form and submit a copy to the IYSA.
- All out of state teams traveling with USYS passes must have a travel permit.
- All teams with guest players (3 allowed per team) must have a USYSA tournament guest player roster form. Players from within the club are not considered guests and the guest player form is not required, they may be added to the tournament roster and their player pass will suffice.
- Tournament Rosters may be changed up to the point of registration, at which point it is frozen and cannot be altered for the tournament.
- AYSO or recreational teams must register with the IYSA as a tournament team, and obtain passes, in order to participate,
- All rostered players must have a current laminated player pass card.
- No player shall be allowed to register for more than one team or switch from one team to another during the course of the tournament.

## LENGTH OF GAMES & ROSTER SIZE

- Game Duration - U8-U12 - 2x25 min, U13-U19 (11v11)- 2x30 min,
- The tournament does not require the referee to add time to any game. Referee or Tournament Staff decisions in these matters are final.
- Roster Size – u8-u10 - 14 players, u11-u12 – 16 players, u13-u14 – 18 players, u15-u19 – 22 players.

## GAME PROCEDURES

- All parents and spectators are required to sit on one side of the field opposite the players.
- Teams are allowed 3 passed coaches on bench. **Each coach in the bench area must be licensed and passed**, is responsible for his/her team and spectators at each game. In the event a coach with a valid pass is not available to start a game, GLSA will provide a passed coach (for a fee – to be charged to the team/club). Any team not having a passed coach at the beginning of the game will have **until the end of halftime to provide a passed coach or the game at hand will be forfeited (see Forfeit section for impact of forfeiting a game). The appointed GLSA coach will stay with the team through the second half to allow the players to complete the game.**
- **Home** team wears light colored jersey, **Away** team wears dark colored jersey. In the event of a conflict, the offending team must change.
- No coin toss – Home team sits on north/west bench, defends north/west goal and has kick off in the first half, teams switch at half-time.
- Teams should be prepared to provide a “club linesman” if necessary.
- Off-sides rule will be enforced at all ages.
- For U9 and U10, buildout lines will be used, the attacking team may enter the build out zone when the ball is released. The build out lines will also be used as the off-sides line.
- If an Official Tournament Ball is not present, the home team is responsible to provide a game ball.
- All U8 - U12 divisions shall use a #4 ball. U13 - U19 divisions shall use a #5 ball.
- U8-U10 games will be played 7v7 on small fields; U11-U12 games will be played 9v9 on intermediate size fields, and U13-U14 will be played 11v11 on full size fields.
- Field Marshals will not return player passes after a game if bench area is not clean.

## EQUIPMENT

- In accordance with the IYSA, Rule 007, which endorses FIFA Law 4, “A player must not use equipment or wear anything which is dangerous to himself or another player.” **Therefore, no prescriptions glasses are permitted, only sports goggles.**
- Casts and Orthopedic devices may be worn only if fully covered by foam and elastic bandage, and the player is allowed to play with the consent of the on-field referee, the Head referee will make the final decision if necessary. No metal parts may be exposed. Devices designed for sport play only may be worn.
- **No jewelry may be worn by any player** (earrings, watches, necklaces, etc.)
- Shin guards must be worn by all players at all times.
- All players must have an individual number on their jersey, no duplicate numbers.
- All players’ equipment is subject to referee approval.

## FORFEITS

- Five players constitute a team for U8-U12, seven players for U13-U19. Games will commence on time if the minimum numbers of players are present. A forfeit shall be awarded if a team is not present and prepared to play with five minutes of the scheduled start time.
- In the event of a forfeit, the winning team will be awarded a 4-0 win.
- Any team that forfeits a game may receive up to a three-year ban from GLSA events, and may incur club repercussions, as well.

## **SUBSTITUTIONS**

- U8-U12 substitution is on the fly.
- U13 and older, substitutions shall be unlimited, but made only at the following times:
- Goal Kick – both teams.
- After a goal – both teams.
- Half time – both teams.
- At the beginning of an overtime period – both teams.
- Throw – in, both teams may sub if the team in possession of the throw is subbing.
- After a yellow card, for carded player only.
- An injured player may be substituted for at the discretion of referee. If a substitution is made for the injured player, the opposing team may also make a “one-for-one” substitution.

## **PROTESTS**

- All referee decisions are final. No protests will be heard on any judgment calls by the referee.
- All protests must be written to the tournament committee within one hour after completion of the game, along with a check for \$100. If the protest is not upheld, the protest fee will not be refunded.

## **EJECTIONS**

- A player, who receives a red card, will receive a minimum of a one game suspension. The tournament committee can increase that suspension if it is warranted.
- The throwing of a punch is an automatic removal from the tournament.
- A coach who receives a red card will receive a minimum of a one game suspension plus possible intervention by the tournament committee and their state association.
- No substitution can be made for a disqualified player for that game.

## **DISCLAIMER**

The tournament committee reserves the right to:

1. Reschedule, relocate or terminate games due to weather conditions. If ½ of the game has been played before termination for weather conditions or tournament director decision, the game stands as a completed match and is scored accordingly.  
NOTE: the referee or Tournament Director may suspend a game without necessarily being terminated.
2. Reduce by up to half, the duration of the game.
3. Cancel a preliminary game that has no bearing in deciding the group winner.
4. Decide the final tournament standings, trophy winners.
5. Move penalty kicks to another field or area in order not to hold up other games.

The tournament director has the right to change any of these rules or make a decision that would be in the best interest of the participants.

Neither the Tournament Committee nor the GLSA are responsible for any expenses incurred by any team in the event games are discontinued or canceled due to inclement weather or adverse field conditions. If the tournament is cancelled due to an “act of nature”, the tournament has the option of retaining 20% of the team entry fee. No refunds will be made unless the tournament is cancelled, in which case refunds will be disbursed on a pro-rata basis with a full refund (less 20%) if the event is cancelled before it starts. The tournament Committee reserves the right to decide all matters pertaining to the tournament, and the judgment is final. Please remember that the Libertyville Cup is dedicated to the development of all the young men and women participating in the tournament, to good sportsmanship and to the “good of soccer.” The Tournament Director may suspend, without recourse or appeal, any players, coaches, or spectators who demonstrate anything less.