



## **Outdoor Women's League Soccer Rules 2022**

### **RULES OF PLAY:**

Games played under the jurisdiction of this league shall be governed by the following regulations:

1. Unless otherwise stated in the rules, FIFA laws apply.
2. Each team will be allowed a maximum of eleven (11) players on the playing surface at one time, including the goalkeeper.
3. a) A team shall be allowed fifteen (15) minutes grace if they are late and/or cannot field the required number of players, that being a minimum of seven (7). A forfeit will result if a team cannot field the required number of players at the conclusion of the fifteen (15) minute grace period.  
  
b) If a team ***cannot*** field a team the game will be recorded as a loss and the team will be fined \$100.00.  
  
c) If a team knows they will be short for a game. Please give at least 5 days' notice to the Convenor, the Head Referee and the opposing Captain. The game will be rescheduled if enough notice is given. Games will only be rescheduled once.
4. All games shall be ninety (90) minutes in duration, two halves of forty-five (45) minutes. There will be a five (5) minute rest between halves.
5. Players making a substitution must do so at the centre line of the field and wait for the referee's permission. Substitutions may occur at these specific stoppages;
  - a) A goal;
  - b) A goal kick.
  - c) Your own throw-in. Piggy backing will be allowed.
  - d) An injury with the referee's permission.

6. Teams are to be ready fifteen (15) minutes before their scheduled kick-off time. Team shirts must be the same colour and numbered on the back. No caps, bandanas, watches, jewelry etc. are to be worn. Goalkeepers will wear a shirt which distinguishes them from the other players. Shin guards **must** be worn and should be entirely covered by socks. Knee braces may be worn but must be covered. (Please note that it is also up to the referee's discretion.)

## 7. Dismissals

- a. A team will play short-handed following a dismissal.
- b. The player dismissed must leave the premises immediately.
- c. The player will immediately receive a one game suspension to be served in the same league as to which the dismissal was received.
  - a. A player will be immediately suspended from ALL soccer activities until the completion of either Discipline by Review or Discipline by Hearing (if applicable) for any of the following reasons:
    - i. Insulting or abusive comments that are discriminatory or sexual in nature
    - ii. Violent conduct
    - iii. Spitting
- c. The player must attend the next disciplinary hearing (if applicable) and adhere to the suspension granted.
- d. The player must pay a \$50 reinstatement fee before returning to competition.
  - b. The \$50 reinstatement fee MAY be waived at the discretion of the KLSC Executive for the following dismissals:
    - i. Handball to prevent a goal or an obvious goal-scoring opportunity
    - ii. Committing a foul to prevent a goal or an obvious goal-scoring opportunity

8. Goalkeepers may hold the ball in their hands in the penalty area for a maximum of six (6) seconds.

9. Points will be awarded as follows:

Win – 3 points  
Tie – 1 point  
Loss – 0 points  
Default – 5-0 loss for defaulting team

Notes:

- If both teams playing each other default any game, then no points will be awarded to either team.
- Goals will be capped at a difference on five (5) goals for women's' league standing purposes.

10. Ties will be broken in the following manner for both League and Cup Play

- a) Head to head record
- b) League/Cup win loss record
- c) Head to head goals against
- d) Head to head goals for
- e) Over all goals against
- f) Over all goals for
- g) If still tied a coin will be tossed to break the tie

11. If a situation arises during the course of the game which is not covered by these rules, nor FIFA laws, then the referee shall have the right to make a decision "on the spot" and such a decision shall be binding.

12. Any and all other situations that arise will be dealt with by the league convener with the assistance of the Kawartha Lakes Soccer Club Executive.