



OSU SPRING KICK-OFF CLASSIC TOURNAMENT

U13 - U16

Saturday May 7 & Sunday May 8th, 2016

TOURNAMENT RULES AND PROCEDURES

AGE GROUPS:

Tournament is open to teams comprised of players who were born on or after the first day of January in the age groups listed below;

- Under 13 – born in the year 2003 or later
- Under 14 – born in the year 2002 or later
- Under 15 – born in the year 2001 or later
- Under 16 – born in the year 2000 or later

TIER CLASSIFICATIONS

Tournament will be comprised of generally two (2), tiers per age group and gender, subject to a minimum number of team registrations.

➤ Tier 1

- OYSL Teams (OYSL teams may play up an age)
- District Level 3
- Quebec AA & AAA

➤ Tier 2

- District Level 4 teams

TOURNAMENT AND MATCH SCHEDULES

The tournament is designed as follows:

- **Each team will play 3 games. No playoffs**
- Minimum number of teams at any age/flight is 4; maximum is 16.
- Tournament reserves the right to have multiple flights within an age group.
- Tournament reserves the right to schedule up to 2 games per day

GAME DURATION & BALL SIZE

- Ball Size # 5
- U13 –U16 Age Groups - Two – 35 minute halves, straight time with no added/injury extra time.
- There will be a five-minute half-time break in all games

- Under-13 and Under-14 - not to exceed 150 minutes per day
- Under-15 and older - not to exceed 180 minutes per day

- There will be a minimum of one hour between each game played by any team.

ELIGIBILITY

Teams and players must be registered with their governing body (Provincial, State, or National Association). Player registration cards, complete with pictures, names, registration numbers and birth year, issued by the team's governing body Registrar, are required and must be presented to the Tournament Committee at registration and be available for presentation, if and whenever required, to the Field Marshal or other Tournament Official.

REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS

- On-line registration is **mandatory**.
- Notification of tournament acceptance is **subject to receipt of tournament fee**.
- Teams must be registered with their provincial, state or national association.
- Teams **from outside the Eastern Ontario District Soccer Association (EODSA)** must submit an authorized travel permit from their home district.

- Teams outside of Ontario must submit proof of injury and liability insurance from their governing body.
- Teams will be required to register on the Friday evening prior to the tournament.

A team official will be required to attend and provide the following documentation.

- Proof of insurance. (Ontario teams only need to produce their Ontario Soccer Association Roster)
- Permission to travel form from their provincial or state association.
- Tournament team roster
- Player Passes, Cards, books from the team's provincial, state soccer association or federation is mandatory.
- Any team playing an ineligible player will forfeit all games where such a player participates or participated by a 3 -0 default score. They will also be reported to their governing body for disciplinary action.
- Players may NOT play for more than one team in the tournament.

GUEST PLAYERS:

Teams may include up to 3 guest players on their roster. Guest players MUST meet tournament eligibility to participate in the tournament as outlined in Section 3 above.

LAWS OF THE GAME:

All matches will be played in accordance with the FIFA Laws of the Game as well as OSA and EODSA policies and procedures.

SUBSTITUTIONS:

6.1. Teams may register up to 18 players on their roster and game sheet.

Substitutions may be made at the following times, with the consent of the Referee:

- on any goal kick;
- on a team's own throw-in, or on the opposing team's throw-in if the team is making a substitution;

- after a goal is scored;
- at half-time;
- in replacement of an injured player; and
- in replacement of a player who has just been shown a Yellow Card.

Substitutions will be unlimited in number.

Substitutions will not be allowed for a player ejected from the game.

POSITION OF TEAMS

Teams (players, Coaches, Managers and other Bench Staff members) for both teams will take up position on the same side of the field but on opposite sides of, and at least ten yards away from, the center line. Players and Coaches (and other Bench Staff members) shall restrict their movements to within ten yards from this starting point going towards the nearest goal line. All spectators will take up position on the opposite side of the field across from their respective team's first-half bench. All players, Bench Staff members and spectators shall remain at least two (2) meters back from the touchline.

Team officials will be responsible for the behavior of their respective spectators

PLAYING EQUIPMENT

- Home team is responsible to provide a size 5 game ball.

GAME SHEET

Teams will be provided their game sheets at the Team check in night.

Each team shall hand the Official Tournament Game Sheet to the Referee prior to start of the game.

The Game Sheet will remain with the Referee during the game and will be handed over to the Field Marshal at the end of the game.

DISCIPLINE

1. The Referee's decision in matters concerning the application of the Laws of the Game, and the decisions of the Tournament Committee regarding conduct

of the tournament shall be final and with no appeal rights.

2. All registrant discipline will be dealt with according to the OSA Rules and Regulations under the Discipline-By-Review System. The Tournament Discipline Committee will review the Referee's report and render suspensions as appropriate according to the OSA Rules, Regulations and Standard Penalties for Misconduct. All discipline not covered by the OSA Discipline-By-Review System or served in full during the tournament, will be referred to the Eastern Ontario District Soccer Association for further action, which may include referral of the matter to the registrant's home association for further action.

PROTESTS AND DISPUTES

1. No protests regarding a Referee's decision(s)- All Referees' decisions are final.

2. Protests regarding non-Referee decisions will be permitted. All non-Referee protests must be in writing and accompanied with a protest fee of \$100 payable in cash or money order. Protest fee will be totally refunded if the protest in question is deemed to be valid. All potentially affected parties will be notified of the protest and each will be permitted to make a presentation (of five minutes maximum duration) to the Tournament Management Committee, which will make a decision on the same day that the protest is filed; its decision will be final and binding.

FAILURE TO SHOW

1. Failure of a team to appear at the tournament will lead to a forfeiture of the team's entry fee, and reporting of the incident to the Eastern Ontario District Soccer Association for referral to the team's home association for further action.

2. Failure of a team to appear at a game, or to field seven (7) players, within 15 minutes after the game's scheduled kick-off time, will result in a 3 - 0 score being awarded to the opposing team. Should both teams fail to appear or to field seven (7) players, within 15 minutes after the game's scheduled kick-off time, neither team will be awarded points, and both will be shown having a loss, with a 0 - 0 score being recorded. In both instances of game appearance failures (as opposed to a tournament appearance failure), the Tournament Discipline

Committee will decide whether the team(s) in question shall be suspended from the remainder of the Tournament.

FIELD CHECK-IN TIME AND FIELD AND GAME EQUIPMENT

- Check in time is 20 minutes prior to the scheduled kick-off.
- Players' numbers **MUST** be listed on the Team Roster. Players must wear numbers visible on the back of their uniforms and these numbers shall coincide with those listed on the team's official Roster.
- Players shall wear shin guards in accordance with FIFA laws.
- No metal cleats will be allowed, and no jewelry will be allowed.
- Where opposing team's uniform colors are similar, the designated home team will change colors.
- A #5 ball is used for U13 through U16.
- Players and coaches of both teams will take the same side of the field. All other supporters / spectators will take the opposite side.

SCORES AND STANDINGS

Standings will be determined by;

Game Points: **3** points for a Win **1** point for a Tie **0** points for a LosS

SCORING

Goals For limit -4

Goals against limit – 4

TERMINATED GAMES

Games terminated for violent or uncontrollable situations will not be replayed.

The decision as to the score of such games and whether teams advance will be made by the Tournament Director after receiving reports from game officials. The decision of the Director will be final and is binding on all parties. Further disciplinary actions may be taken.

Any team leaving the field before the end of the game is completed or without the referees permission, is deemed to have forfeited their game

Games terminated for inclement weather:

No game will be played in an electric storm. Where a storm occurs during a game, play will be immediately suspended until the storm passes. Under no circumstances may teams withdraw from the playing field area, i.e., the parking lots, etc., until the referee has advised that they may do so. If a game is abandoned, the tournament committee will rule on its status, but every attempt must be made to complete the game as scheduled. When 50 % or more of the total game time has been played, and play cannot continue, the game will be automatically ruled complete and the score at the time of the game been terminated will stand.

REFUND POLICY

Teams that have been accepted by the tournament will not be entitled to any refunds.

CANCELLATION POLICY

Should the tournament be cancelled in its entirety the Tournament Entry Fee will be fully refunded to all participating teams. The tournament Host will not be responsible for other expenses incurred by teams as a part of participating in the tournament.

UNFAVORABLE WEATHER CONDITIONS

Under normal weather conditions, games are to be played at the scheduled time and location. However, if inclement weather conditions occur, the location and starting times may be altered. Unless previously advised by the Tournament Convener, teams must appear at the scheduled location on time, regardless of weather conditions.

Note: Tournament will be run in accordance with the published rules, policies and procedures of the Eastern Ontario Soccer Association, Ontario Soccer Association, Canadian Soccer Association and FIFA, except for changes herein after provided.