

# CALGARY SPRING CLASSIC

## 2017 TOURNAMENT RULES & REGULATIONS

All tournament games will be played in accordance with the laws of the game as issued by F.I.F.A (Alberta Soccer Association) except where modified below:

### 1. Rosters

A copy of the teams certified roster will be checked before every game by the game official. Each team will be limited to the players, coaches and managers whose names appear on that roster. In the event that a player is added to the roster after the first game or if an ineligible player participates in any game, that team will automatically forfeit all games in which such player(s) played. Up to three (3) guest players per team are permitted, provided that they are identified at registration and meet all other qualifications.

### 2. Passes

Player cards will be checked against the roster submitted to the tournament office and must be available for Field Official Inspection (10) minutes prior to the start of **each game**.

### 3. Insurance Forms needed from all teams

### 4. Permission to Travel Forms

Teams from outside Region must have an authorized copy of Permission to Travel Form at registration.

### 5. Field and Game Equipment

- A. No jewelry will be allowed.
- B. Players are required to wear shin guards.
- C. Players must wear numbers on the back of their uniforms and these numbers shall coincide with those listed on the team's Official Roster.
- D. Where uniform colors are similar, the designated home team will change colors. Home team will be listed first on the schedule.
- E. Both teams will take the same side of the field. All other supporters will take the opposite side.
- F. No one will be allowed behind either end line.
- G. Check-in time is 10 minutes prior to the scheduled kick-off.

### 6. Inclement Weather

Regardless of weather conditions, coaches and teams **must appear** on the field of play and be ready to play as scheduled. Failure to appear will result in forfeiture of the game. Only the referee and/or the tournament director can cancel, postpone, or reschedule a game.

- A. Inclement weather before games: In case of severe weather conditions before play has begun, the result of the game will be a 1-1 tie if the game cannot be rescheduled as determined by the tournament director.

Inclement weather during games: Should a game's progress be terminated due to weather conditions after the half, the game will be considered official and the score at that time will stand. Should the game's progress be terminated before the half, the result of the game will be a 1-1 tie.

### **7. Age Group, Ball Size, Number of Players, Game Duration**

Guaranteed four (4) games, two (2-1) per day, Round Robin Format

U-10	Size 4 ball	7 v 7	20-minute halves
U-12	Size 4 ball	8 v 8	25-minute halves
U-14/18	Size 5 ball	11 v 11	35-minute halves

### **8. Number of Players**

Each U-12 through U-14/18 team will be composed of a maximum of twenty-two (20) players and each U-10 team will be composed of a maximum of sixteen (16) players.

### **9. Forfeits**

Any team not ready to play within ten minutes of the scheduled starting time for its match shall forfeit the game to its opponent by a score of 3-0. A minimum of seven players constitutes a team.

### **10. Score Sheets**

Both coaches are responsible for verifying the score by signing the referee's score sheet at the conclusion of each match. Failure to do so will negate any grounds for contesting an incorrectly posted score.

### **11. Substitutions**

Substitutions shall be unlimited, but may only be made with the referee's permission at the following times:

- A. Prior to any throw-in.
- B. Prior to a goal kick by either team.
- C. After a goal has been scored.
- D. When play has been stopped by the referee because of injury. (Both teams are allowed unlimited substitutions in this situation)
- E. After half time.
- F. Prior to a corner kick by either team.

### **12. Red Cards**

Any player, coach, or manager receiving a red card shall be suspended for the remainder of the game and for the next game their team is scheduled to play.

### **13. Referees**

Certified referees and line-persons are provided by the tournament. Each team is required to provide a line-person if official line-persons are not available due to extenuating circumstances.

### **14. Division Standings**

- 3 points shall be awarded for a win. ➤ 1 point shall be awarded for a tie.

- 0 points shall be awarded for a loss.

Teams shall be ranked in the standings by the number of points they have been awarded. In the case of a first place tie in the standings involving two teams, the following system shall be used to determine the final standings.

- A. Results of the tournament head-to-head game involving the two tied teams. If still tied then,
- B. Goal differential (maximum 3 goals per game). If still tied then,
  - 1. Most goals scored, maximum 3 per game.
  - 2. Least goals allowed in all games. If still tied then,
  - 3. Most shutouts. If still tied then,
  - 4. Penalty kicks. (F.I.F.A. rules apply).

In the event of a three-way tie for first place, tiebreaker item A above will not apply.

### **15. Protests**

Will not be accepted and may not be lodged.

### **16. Goalie**

The 6-second rule will apply. There shall be no charging of the goalie allowed.

### **17. Player Eligibility**

All players must be born on or after the birth date for the age group classification noted below. All players and the teams in which they are registered must be properly registered with their state or soccer association. Players are allowed to double roster with teams from within their own club or organization, with the understanding that age restrictions are not violated.

### **18. General Rules**

- A. All decisions by the referee are final and binding.
- B. The tournament committee of Calgary Spring Classic will not be responsible for any expenses incurred by any team or club if the tournament is canceled in part or in whole.
- C. First place trophies will be awarded for U-10 through U-14/18 in each division, first, second, third place medals will be awarded and participation awards will be awarded to U-10 teams. Each team on checking in at registration must sign a ledger giving the hotel, room number and phone number of the coach or designated contact person who can be reached at any time if the necessity arises.
- D. Coaches, managers and team officials are not permitted on the field of play without the referee's permission. Any coach, manager or team official violating this rule is subject to disciplinary action by the referee and/or tournament director.
- E. This tournament has been organized to promote healthy competition between players of the game of soccer. It is hoped that all participants including the players, coaches and fans will join in the positive support of the referees and tournament officials.

F. Coaches are reminded that they are responsible for the behavior of their players, managers and fans.

G. The tournament director reserves the right to disqualify any team, player, coach, manager or team official from the tournament for gross misconduct of its coaches, players, managers, officials, or fans. H. Consumption of alcoholic beverages is prohibited on fields and parking areas.

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