



BOB SCHRAGER MEMORIAL – LONG ISLAND CUP 2016 TOURNAMENT RULES & REGULATIONS

Tournament Dates: Saturday, September 3RD (Boys) and Sunday, September 4TH, 2016 (Girls).

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Tournament Age Groups, Players on Field, Maximum Roster Size, # Guest Players

Age Groups:

All brackets will be formed based on birth year. It is anticipated we will run the following age groups:

Boys & Girls U7 - 2010's: Player born on or after January 1, 2010
Boys & Girls U8 - 2009's: Players born on or after January 1, 2009
Boys & Girls U9 - 2008's: Players born on or after January 1, 2008
Boys & Girls U10 - 2007's: Players born on or after January 1, 2007
Boys & Girls U11 - 2006's: Players born on or after January 1, 2006
Boys & Girls U12 – 2005's: Players born on or after January 1, 2005
Boys & Girls U13 – 2004's: Players born on or after January 1, 2004
Boys & Girls U14 – 2003's: Players born on or after January 1, 2003
Boys & Girls U15 – 2002's: Players born on or after January 1, 2002
Boys & Girls U16 – 2001's: Players born on or after January 1, 2001
Boys & Girls U17 – 2000's: Players born on or after January 1, 2000
Boys & Girls U18 – 1999's: Players born on or after January 1, 1999
Boys & Girls U19 – 1998's: Players born on or after January 1, 1998

Players on Field/Max Rosters:

U7 - U8: 6 v 6, 12 player maximum roster
U9 - U10: 7 v 7, 12 player maximum roster
U11 – U12 : 9 v 9, 16 player maximum roster
U13 +: 11 v 11, 22 player maximum roster
Maximum of three (3) guest players allowed per team

Team Registration & Requirements

After registering your team through the link at OUSC.COM, check-in will be done electronically. Additional details and procedures will be made available and provided upon a team's acceptance, but all accepted teams will be required to electronically file and send:

1. Two (2) completed official tournament rosters listing all players (including "guests") and coaches. Roster must contain pass numbers, date of birth and uniform numbers.
2. Approved medical release form for each participating player, signed by a parent or legal guardian.
3. Valid, up-to-date USYSA (or equivalent) player passes with picture, birth date and league pass (ID) number. U7-U9 Intramural (without travel passes) teams must have Proof of Date of Birth and Insurance Coverage for ALL registered players.
4. Guest players **MUST** have a player pass plus Guest Player Form properly filled out and signed by their league association.
5. Approved Permission to Travel Form, from all leagues requiring it, by local State Association.
6. CONCACAF participating teams must have a completed form from their Provincial or National Association approving the team's participation in the tournament. In addition to their player passes (ID cards), players must present passports or, if not from a nation that the United States does NOT require a passport, proof of entry into the U.S.A. as required by the United States.

GENERAL TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

- A. All games will be played by FIFA laws except as specifically modified by these rules.
- B. All games will be officiated by USSF Certified and assigned referees. A three (3) referee system will be used in the U13 and above age groups.
- C. All teams are guaranteed three (3) games. Teams will play all three games on one (1) day, either Saturday or Sunday. This format will be the same for all age groups. Please check your team's schedule and field maps, which will be posted at www.ousc.com. Please make sure to recheck the schedule for any changes, right before the tournament.

- D. Player's passes, or equivalent, along with OUSC approved tournament roster will be required by all teams for spot inspection, throughout the entire tournament, in case of challenge. (Birth certificates for U7-U9/intramural teams along with proof of insurance from a US Soccer Youth Affiliate signed by club officer)
- E. All games will be considered final and no protests will be allowed.
- F. The length of all games is 50 minutes (2 x 25 minute halves).
- G. Teams shall be awarded Game Points for determination of final standings as follows:

Win = 3 points Tie = 1 points Loss = 0 points

One GAME point will be deducted for each red card received.

H. Bonus Points

In addition, bonus points are awarded to the winning team for goal differential - not to exceed a maximum of three per game (i.e. 3-0 score = 3 bonus points, 4-2 score = 2 bonus points). An additional bonus point shall be awarded to the winning team for achieving a shutout. **Bonus points are used ONLY used in the event of tie breakers SEE BELOW.**

I. Tie Breakers

In the event that two or more teams are tied in points at the end of Round-Robin competition, the following tiebreakers shall be applied in order given until a winner is determined:

1. Winner of head to head competition (if only two teams are tied, if more, proceed to next tie breaker)
 2. Most wins
 3. Least goals allowed
 4. Adjusted Goal Differential -Goals for, minus goals against (maximum of three goals per game).
 5. Bonus points.
 6. Co-champions/runner-ups will be awarded.
- J. Forfeits – Game time is forfeit time. In the unlikely event of a forfeit, the game shall be scored as 2-0 in favor of the team that is “victorious by forfeit. They will receive 3 points for the win and 3 bonus points (one for the shutout and two for goal differential).

K. Inclement Weather:

1. In case of inclement weather, it will be the decision of the Tournament committee to suspend play.
2. After 6:00 AM please call the soccer hotline at (516) 764-FEET (3338) or visit the club's web-site www.ousc.com.

3. If half the game has been completed the game will be considered final. If less than half the match has been completed, the match will be considered to have not been played and will have no effect on tournament standing. All games within a specific division's round must be completed to be counted in final standings of all teams.
 4. **CANCELLATION/REFUND POLICY** - In the event that severe weather or poor field conditions force the cancellation of the entire tournament, *prior to the start of play*, a refund of at least sixty-five percent (65%) of the fee paid already will be given. Once tournament play has commenced, there will be no refunds due to circumstances and conditions beyond the control of the Oceanside United Soccer Club and its tournament committee (i.e. weather). There will be no refunds given for any other reason.
- L. Awards will be presented at the end of round-robin play for each respective division. All awards will be presented at the field where round robin play for the division is completed (except for games played at Oceanside Park, awards for these divisions may be presented right across the street at Boardman Middle School). Awards for 1st and 2nd place will be presented, unless otherwise noted.

GAME PROCEDURES

- A. A team shall consist of at least seven (7) players for 11 v 11; six (6) players for 9 v 9; five (5) players for 7 v 7 and four (4) players for 6 v 6.
- B. While copies of passes, releases and other documents will be submitted electronically, **all teams must have passes with them on the fields for each game, for each player playing.** While they may not be checked before each game, if they are requested by a tournament representative at any time before, during or after the tournament, and not presented, any players without a valid pass will not be able to play, and other action may be taken in the tournament committee's discretion, including but not limited to disqualifications.
- C. Referees have been instructed to start clock on schedule. Time will be added only for extended injuries requiring professional medical care, at the discretion of the field coordinators. The duration of games may be adjusted, as the Tournament Director deems necessary.
- D. Referees and Field Marshals will manage all game cards. It is the Coaches responsibility to sign the game cards at the end of each game, both yours and your opponents. The winning coach (or HOME coach in case of tie) is responsible for bringing the completed game card to the scorer's table and presenting it to the Field Marshal at end of the match. Scores will be recorded, posted online, and listed on scoreboards located at each playing site.
- E. Teams will be on the same side of the field. Home team kicks off. Visiting team will determine goal they wish to attack in first half. Home team shall supply the official supplied tournament ball. If there are color conflicts in team colors, the Home team shall change.
- F. No player shall be allowed to play with an injury, which in the opinion of the referee constitutes a danger to others. To prevent accidental injury, registered players ***will not be permitted to play if they are wearing hard casts of any kind.***

G. All players must wear a uniform with a number which must match the original roster number.

H. Player's uniform must include shin guards under their socks.

I. Substitutions: Can be made at any stoppage of play, and ONLY with the permission of the referee. A cautioned player does NOT have to be removed from the field. However, you may request a substitution to allow the player an opportunity to "cool down". Again, all substitutions are with the permission of the referee. The cautioned player may re-enter playing field at coach's discretion, at the next appropriate stoppage of play, and with permission of the referee.

J. Rules for Younger Divisions

1) Start of Play: The start of play shall conform to FIFA Law VIII except that in the Under 9, 10 and 11 age divisions at the beginning of the game, after a goal has been scored, and after half time every player shall be in his own half of the field and every player of the team opposing that of the kicker shall remain not less than 8 yards from the ball until it is kicked-off and in the Under 8 age divisions at the beginning of the game, after a goal has been scored, and after half time every player shall be in his own half of the field and every player of the team opposing that of the kicker shall remain not less than 6 yards from the ball until it is kicked-off.

2) Free Kicks: Free kicks shall conform to FIFA Law XIII except that in the Under 8, 9 10 and U11 age divisions no player of the opposing side shall encroach into the penalty area, or within eight yards of the ball, as the case may be, before the free kick is taken.

3) Penalty Kicks Penalty kicks shall conform to FIFA Law XIV except that the Under 8 age group shall take the penalty kick within the penalty area at a penalty mark made 8 yards from the midpoint between the goalposts and equidistant to them and the under 9, under 10 and under 11 age groups shall take the penalty kick within the penalty area at a penalty mark made 10 yards from the midpoint between the goalposts and equidistant to them.

4) Corner Kicks Corner kicks shall conform to FIFA Law XVII except that in the Under 8, Under 9, Under 10 and Under 11 age divisions players of the team opposing that of the player taking the corner kick shall not approach within 8 yards of the ball until it is in play.

5) Headers: Under-11 and younger shall not engage in heading. If a player deliberately heads the ball, an indirect kick shall be awarded to the opposing team from the spot of the offense. If the deliberate header occurs within the goal area, the indirect free kick should be taken on the goal area line parallel to the goal at the point nearest to where the infringement occurred. If a player does not deliberately head the ball, then play should continue.

6) Build-Out Line: For U10 and under, when the goalkeeper has the ball, either during play (from opponent) or from a goal kick, the opposing team must move behind the build-out line (or other marking) until the ball is put into play.. Once the opposing team is behind the build-out line, the goalkeeper can pass, throw or roll the ball into play, **punting is not allowed**. After the ball is put into play by the goalkeeper, the opposing team can cross the build-out line and play resumes as normal. If a goalkeeper for U10 and under punts the ball, an indirect free kick will be awarded to the opposing team from the spot of

the offense. If the punt occurs within the goal area, the indirect free kick shall be taken on the goal area line parallel to the goal line at the nearest point to where the infringement occurred.

- H. **Head Injury:** Any player suspected of suffering a concussion will not be allowed to return to play until he/she is cleared by the healthcare professional. No coach, parent/guardian or player may overrule the healthcare professional. If a coach attempts to allow a player who had been removed from a game for concussion assessment and who has not been cleared to return to play by the on-site healthcare professional, the referee shall immediately stop play, direct the player to leave the field, instruct the coach to select a substitute, issue a warning to the coach and if a coach persists, the referee is entitled to take necessary disciplinary measures against the coach.

STANDARD OF PLAY

A committee to handle all disciplinary matters pertaining to this tournament has been established.

The following is a brief outline of what will be expected of all players and coaches who participate in this year's tournament.

1. All players and coaches will demonstrate the highest standard of sportsmanship throughout the tournament.
2. Any player or coach given a red card will not be permitted to participate in the remainder of the game they are playing when given the card. **Player or coach receiving a red card will NOT be allowed to participate in the next match.**
3. **One GAME point will be deducted for each red card received.** A team may be assessed negative points for a game, if appropriate, based on the discretion of the referee.
4. **A player or coach who accumulates three yellow (cautions) cards during the course of tournament play will be suspended from their team's next match.**
5. **Any team official who is coaching more than one team and is suspended from one team is automatically suspended from the other team or teams until suspension has been served.**
6. All coaches are responsible for conduct of their players, parents and supporters while the team is at the tournament, as well as on the field of play. Please be considerate of all our neighbors.
7. Information on all Yellow/Red Card violations will be forwarded on to reported to the players or coaches home association (NOTE: For CONCACAF teams, the tournament committee will notify the USSF of any disciplinary action, and that the Federation will transmit the disciplinary action taken or required to that team's provincial or national association.)
8. No alcoholic beverage shall be permitted in the immediate vicinity of the playing sites. No person shall be permitted to appear on or in the immediate vicinity of the playing sites in an intoxicated condition.
9. Please observe all parking regulations. Tournament is not responsible for any kind of tickets given.

10. All matches are played under *Zero Tolerance* policy of LIJSL/ENYYSA/USYSA. This includes all players, coaches, trainers and spectators.
11. All decisions concerning Standard of Play, Scoring, Standings, interpretation of these rules, or otherwise, shall rest solely with The Tournament Committee and all rulings shall be final.

Good luck and have a great tournament!