



AYSO Region 14 2019 West Torrance Christmas Classic 8U to 14U Division Tournament Rules



CATEGORY	RULES
1) JURISDICTION	<p>A. Unless otherwise noted, the current AYSO National Rules and Regulations, Section and FIFA Laws of the Game will be used for this tournament. The following rules are intended specifically for this tournament ONLY!</p> <p>B. The Tournament Committee (incl. Tournament Director, Assistant Director(s), Regional Commissioner, Field Director, Referee Director and other designated staff) will have jurisdiction over all games played. Disputes will be resolved by the end of the soccer day. Referee judgment calls are NOT subject to dispute or protest!</p> <p>C. All 10U and 12U games will be played according to the new PDI's as set forth by USSF and adopted by AYSO.</p>
2). FEES	<p>A. Entire entry fee and referee deposit must accompany tournament application and will be returned if application is not accepted. Fee and deposit must be a single check issued from the Region's account <u>(no personal checks, money orders, credit cards, etc.)</u>.</p> <p>B. Fees are: 8U \$625 (\$375 entry fee + \$250 referee deposit), 10U \$650 (\$400 entry fee + \$250 referee deposit), 12U \$675 (\$425 entry fee + \$250 referee deposit), 14U \$700 (\$450 entry fee + \$250 referee deposit)</p>
3). ACCEPTANCE	<p>A. <u>Applications are due on NOVEMBER 27TH, 2019.</u></p> <p>B. Applications will be accepted on a first-come basis, based on completed application (see Team Application Form for criteria). Teams will be notified by email within 48 hours of the receipt of their applications.</p> <p>C. Teams not accepted into the tournament will be offered the opportunity to be placed on a waiting list. If a team chooses not to be on a waiting list, the application and entry fee will be returned within 48 hours of notification.</p> <p>D. The primary form of communication between the Tournament and applying teams will be email and the Tournament website. Teams must designate a Team Contact on their application who has email and Internet access.</p>
4). REFUNDS	<p>A. Teams withdrawing 18 days or more before the tournament will be issued a full refund within 48 hours of request.</p> <p>B. Teams withdrawing less than 17 days before the start of the tournament will only be issued a refund if a replacement team can be found, less the cost of registering that team.</p> <p>C. If the tournament is canceled and cannot be rescheduled a full refund will be issued within 7 DAYS minus the cost of beanies which will be given to teams.</p> <p>D. For teams that are eligible, referee deposit refunds will be mailed no later than 14 days after the end of the tournament. Referee deposit refunds will be returned on the basis, comparing the number of assignments actually completed versus the number that were assigned. Additional factors taken into consideration: 1). Number of games fully 100% for all games refereed with full crew; 2). Will be prorated should only partial amount of games be completed or without a full crew; No refunds will be given should a team not provide a referee team.</p>
5). RAINOUT / CANCELLATION	<p>A. If the tournament is cancelled due to weather after partially completing game and if games cannot be rescheduled for completion, refunds will be made to teams on a prorated basis, based on the number of actual games played.</p> <p>B. If the tournament cannot be held due to weather or other conditions beyond the control of the tournament hosts, then a full refund will be sent to all teams, less the cost of beanies, within 48 hours of notification. <u>There will be no rainout dates.</u></p>
6). PLAYERS/TEAMS	<p>A. Players on participating teams must be properly registered to play in AYSO, and have played in the Fall 2019 season. The only exception is if an injury and/or illness prevented them from playing in the minimum number of games.</p> <p>B. Coaches are responsible to ensure that all players meet eligibility requirements.</p> <p>C. Failure to prove eligibility or falsifying of players will result in the team's expulsion from the entire tournament with no fee refund.</p> <p>D. <u>All coaches must have and carry signed AYSO "MEDICAL RELEASE FORMS" for each player at check-in and for the duration of the tournament.</u> A copy is sufficient, but it must have an original signature or electronic signature or the form will be invalid and the player will not participate in the game.</p> <p>E. The team roster must be verified and approved by each player's Regional Commissioner. Roster changes must be received by the tournament director no later than <u>DECEMBER 14TH, 2019</u> at 5:00 p.m. All roster changes must be approved by your Regional Commissioner. There will be no roster changes allowed after <u>DECEMBER 15TH, 2019</u> unless approved by the Tournament Director.</p> <p>F. Guest Players are allowed.</p>

	<p>G. Age of players: 14U age cut off is 1/1/06 to12/31/07 (under 14 years old) 12U age cut off is 1/1/08 to12/31/09 (under 12 years old) 10U age cut off is 1/1/10 to12/31/11 (under 10 years old) 8U age cut off is 1/1/12 to12/31/13 (under 10 years old)</p>
6). PLAYERS/TEAMS (CONTINUED)	<p>H. Divisions 14U will play 11-v-11, and there will be a roster limit of 15 players per team. Division 12U will play 9-v-9, and there will be a roster limit of 13 players per team. Divisions 10U & 8U will play 7-v-7, and there will be a roster limit of 10 players per team.</p> <p>I. All players must play at least half of each game. Violation of these player rules exposes a team to protest and renders them subject to forfeiture of game and possible disqualification at the discretion of the Tournament Director.</p>
7). COACHES	<p>A. Each team is limited to one Head Coach and one Assistant Coach (must have one of each). These coaches must be the ones listed on the Official Team Roster.</p> <p>B. Each Coach must provide their AYSO Identification Number, be a currently registered volunteer as well as having Safe Haven Certification and CDC Concussion Certification. The coach and assistant coach MUST attach proof of their coach certification training record from AYSO to the roster. Proof of coach certification and training will be verified.</p> <p>C. Coaches are expected to set the example for their team in exhibiting proper AYSO behavior and Kids Zone behavior. Coaches are expected to remain in the technical area during games and only enter the field of play as requested by the referee.</p>
8). REFEREES	<p>A. All referees must be a currently registered volunteer, as well as having Safe Haven Certification and CDC Concussion Certification.</p> <p>B. Each team in the tournament will provide a crew of 3 referees. These referees will be assigned up to 3 games, based on their qualifications. REFEREE CREWS MUST BE CERTIFIED AND ABLE TO REFEREE, AS A MINIMUM, WITHIN THE DIVISION OF THE TEAM THEY ARE REPRESENTING. Referees may not referee in the pool the team they are representing is playing in. Referees cannot referee in the semi final or finals that the team they are representing is playing in.</p> <p>C. All referees must be a current AYSO registered and trained volunteer, be Safe Haven and CDC Concussion Certified.</p> <p>D. Only the diagonal system of control will be used to referee the games.</p> <p>E. Referees for 14U games must be Intermediate level or above. Referees for 12U games must be Intermediate level or above. Referees for 10U & 8U games must be Regional or above.</p> <p>**YOUTH REFEREES MUST BE AT LEAST 2 YEARS OLDER THAN THE AGE GROUP WHICH THEY OFFICIATING AND FURTHER THAT THEY ARE NOT A PLAYER ON A TEAM THAT IS CURRENTLY ENTERED IN THE TOURNAMENT.</p> <p>Any exceptions must have the prior written approval of the Christmas Classic Referee Administrator.</p> <p>F. All referees must be in full uniform as defined by AYSO and USSF, including the Referee Badge. Referees not in uniform will not be permitted to referee games, and their team's referee deposit may be subject to forfeiture.</p> <p>G. If all assignments are successfully completed, the Referee Deposit will be refunded within 14 days of the completion of the tournament.</p> <p>H. Referees are expected to check in at the Referee Station at least 30 minutes prior to their assigned game. Failure to appear on time may result in a replacement referee crew being assigned to the field. Once a replacement crew has been assigned, they will have priority and the original crew must report to the Referee station for alternative assignment.</p> <p>J. Referees will be expected to uphold the tournament rules, AYSO Rules and Regulations and FIFA laws. Any failure of the referee to uphold these rules may be cause for dismissal from the tournament, and will place a team's referee deposit refund in jeopardy.</p>
9) FIELDS	<p>A. All fields will be set up and taken down by the tournament staff.</p> <p>B. Trash can's will be provided at each field. Teams will be expected to clean up all trash in their area before leaving.</p> <p>C. Please observe the following Facility Use Rules while attending the tournament:</p> <p>* <u>At Victor Elementary School :</u> NO DOGS OR ANY PETS ALLOWED ON SCHOOL GROUNDS AT ALL TIMES.</p>

NO SMOKING ON SCHOOL GROUNDS.

NO BBQ'S, HABACHI'S OR GRILLING OF ANY SORT IS ALLOWED ON SCHOOL GROUNDS.

At Columbia Park:

NO DOGS OR ANY PETS ALLOWED DURING AN AYSO FUNCTION

NO SMOKING

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**** TOYOTA SPORTS COMPLEX ***

The Toyota Sports Complex are turf fields and maintained by the City of Torrance. The following are the rules mandated by the City of Torrance for all players, participates and visitors to these fields and will be enforced and in effect for the entire duration of the tournament.:

- 1). Climbing the fence is prohibited.
- 2) **No food items including gum, candy, and sunflower seeds.**
- 3) **No sports drinks or liquids other than water allowed; ONLY WATER ALLOWED**
- 4) No glass containers or aluminum cans allowed.
- 5) Molded cleats or athletic shoes only.
- 6) Approved athletic equipment only.
- 7) No painting, chalking, tape or other adhesive material shall be placed on the field surface without prior approval.
- 8) No sharp objects that can penetrate the field surface including folding chairs with straight legs. Chairs with a wide metal base frame will be allowed.
- 9) No animals (except to assist persons of disability).
- 10) No motor vehicles allowed on the field surface except for maintenance or emergency.
- 11) Soccer goals must have turf wheels attached. No dragging allowed.
- 12) No bicycles or scooters allowed on the field surface.
- 13) No golfing allowed.
- 14) No tobacco products allowed.
- 15) No alcoholic beverages allowed.
- 16) No fireworks or any open flame allowed.
- 17) No use of model planes or rockets.
- 18) No stakes, spikes or other pointed materials may be used for anchoring anything on the athletic fields.
- 19). Parking will be allowed in the Court House parking lot on the South side of the complex. **DO NOT PARK ON THE NORTH SIDE OF THE COMPLEX IN THE PANASONIC**

LOT AS YOUR CAR MAY GET TOWED.

20). NO BBQ's, HABACHI'S OR GRILLING IS ALLOWED IN THE PARKING LOT, AND GRASS AREAS.

10). FORMAT	<p>A. This is a pool-play tournament.</p> <p>B. Each age division will be bracketed into playing pools. Each team will play a minimum of 3 preliminary play games within their respective pools. Where there are sufficient teams, divisions will also be separated into multiple competition flights.</p> <p>C. Teams will advance from qualifying pools based on pool play standings points. Number of teams advancing per pool will be determined by the number of pools in the division.</p>												
11). CHECK-IN	<p>A. Teams must check in 60 minutes prior to their first game, and must present four (4) Game Cards, (including medal-round games). The Game Cards must be properly completed with the players listed by first name-last name in uniform number order. The players listed on the game cards must match the approved roster submitted with the team's application.</p> <p>B. Each coach or team representative must provide AYSO Player Registration Forms with original ink signatures or electronic signature for verification by tournament officials.</p> <p>C. Coaches must have these Player Registration Forms with them at all times and ready for presentation to Tournament Officials.</p> <p>D. Late arriving players must be escorted to the check-in station by a team official along with their Player Registration Form and be cleared by the Tournament Staff before participating in any games.</p>												
12). FIELD MONITORS	<p>A. There will be a tournament Field Monitor assigned to each facility, and will report to the Tournament Field Director.</p> <p>B. Field Monitors will check in teams prior to each game, and present the verified game cards to the match referees.</p> <p>C. At the conclusion of the game, the match referees must return the completed game cards to the Field Monitor.</p> <p>D. Field Monitors will be the first to respond to any incidents or injuries, and will be in contact with the rest of the tournament staff. Tournament participants are encouraged to report any concerns immediately to the Field Monitor, and also to respectfully follow any instructions given by the Field Monitor.</p>												
13). GAMES	<p>A. Pool play games will consist of 20 to 35 minute halves depending on the age division (see chart below) with a five minute half time. There will be a running clock during the match including substitutions. There will be no time added on for injuries or time wasted in qualifying rounds. Games will expect to end on time, and may be shortened if they started late. Pool play games may end in a tie.</p> <p>B. Championship games will be full length for that division (see chart below). Championship games will be played until there is a winner. (see Medal Round rules below).</p> <p>C. Game duration shall be as follows:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="446 1297 917 1413"><thead><tr><th>Division</th><th>Pool Play</th><th>Final Rounds</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>10U & 8U</td><td>20 minute half</td><td>25 minute half</td></tr><tr><td>12U</td><td>25 minute half</td><td>30 minute half</td></tr><tr><td>14U</td><td>30 minute half</td><td>35 minute half</td></tr></tbody></table> <p>D. The referee shall keep their watch running during substitutions and injuries.</p> <p>E. Medal rounds that end in a tie, play two 5 minute over-time play, with no golden goal.</p> <p>F. In the event a team fails to play a scheduled game, the other team will be deemed the winner by a score of 1-0 and given 7 points.</p> <p>G. Only the referee in charge of game, with the agreement of the Tournament Director or his/her designee, has the authority to cancel any game. Games will be played as scheduled. <u>There is NO grace period.</u></p> <p>H. The "home" team will be the first team or top team listed on the game schedule and will be responsible for providing the game ball. The home team will be situated on the North or West side of the field, and the visitor will be situated on the South or East side. Spectators must remain on the side of the field designated for their team. The home team will change jerseys or don pinnies in the event of a color conflict with the visitor team. If any questions, the referee will determine whether this is necessary.</p> <p>I. There will be no warming up on the field. Teams must warm up prior to taking the field. As soon as the previous game has ended, teams must clear the field and the teams for the next game must take their places.</p> <p>J. All players must play a minimum of half a game.</p>	Division	Pool Play	Final Rounds	10U & 8U	20 minute half	25 minute half	12U	25 minute half	30 minute half	14U	30 minute half	35 minute half
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<p>14). STANDINGS</p>	<p>A. Each division will be divided into 4 or 5 teams creating pools. Pool Play games will be played on Saturday and Sunday morning. Standings at the end of the pool play will be determined by the following "ten-point system":</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> WIN = 6 points TIE = 3 points LOSS = 0 points GOAL = 1 point (for each goal, up to a maximum of 3 goals per game) SHUTOUT = 1 point for a earned shutout, including a 0-0 tie FORFEIT = 8 points (scored as a 1-0 win) RED CARD/ = -1 point deduction(for each player, coach, or spectator that receives a red card) <p>B. After Round Robin play, in the event of a total points tie, the following criteria will be used for breaking any ties (in the order listed below):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1). Fewest yellow and red cards received 2). Head to head competition 3). Most Wins 4). Goal differential (max differential of 3 goals per game) 5). Fewest goals allowed 6). Most goals scored (max 3 per game) 7). Number of shutouts 8). Coin toss at the end of pool play <p>C. Amount of teams advancing onto Sunday afternoon will vary depending on amount of teams in the age division.</p> <p>D. Medal round games that end in a tie will play two 5 minute periods, with no golden goal, and if still a tie, penalty kicks will determine the winner.</p>
<p>15). ADVANCEMENTS</p>	<p>A. Pool winners (and in some cases wildcard teams) will advance to medal round play.</p> <p>B. Teams with the highest points ending in pool play will play in the championship match. Teams with the second highest points ending in pool play will play for third place and fourth.</p>
<p>16). MEDAL-ROUNDS</p>	<p>A. All medal round matches ending in a tie will play two 5 minute periods, with no golden goal, and if still a tie, kicks from the mark will determine the winner.</p>
<p>17). AWARDS</p>	<p>A. Scarves will be presented to the first and second place teams and medals to the third and fourth place teams in each division.</p> <p>B. Tournament beanies and tournament pin will be given to each player and coach,</p>
<p>18). CONDUCT</p>	<p>A. Coaches will be expected to set a positive example for the team, and will be held responsible for the actions of their team including spectators. All spectators must remain behind the control line and between the 18-yard lines (penalty areas in small fields). Two coaches maximum per team, and they must remain in the marked coaching area (within ten yards either way from midfield).</p> <p>B. At the conclusion of each match, the referees will indicate on the reverse of the game cards any point deductions for poor sportsmanship. Point deductions will be used as tie-breakers should that become necessary. Referees will be required to complete a game misconduct report for <u>all</u> misconducts during the game, as well as any incidents of interference by spectators.</p> <p>C. Any player, coach or spectator that receives a red card, or is asked to leave the field of play:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1). MUST immediately leave the game site area, so not to be within sight or sound, and will be prohibited from attending the next scheduled game. 2). Any player that is required to leave the field MUST be accompanied by their parent or an AYSO Safe Haven Certified Adult. <p>D. In the event an individual refuses to leave a game, the referee shall suspend the game, and the outcome of the game will be determined by the Tournament Director or authorized representative.</p> <p>E. All red cards or ejections must be reported to the Tournament Director or Site Director immediately after the game has ended and a SERIOUS INCIDENT REPORT MUST BE FILLED OUT.</p> <p>F. The penalty for a player or coach will be a minimum of a one game suspension, unless otherwise specified by the Tournament Director.</p> <p>G. All red cards or ejections will be reported to your Regional Commissioner, Area and Section Directors. A report will stay on file with the West Torrance Christmas Classic to review for future participation in our Tournaments.</p> <p>H. Any violent conduct red card or ejection will result in that player/coach/spectator being barred from the remainder of the tournament.</p>

	<p>I. All conduct problems will be reported to the respective Regional Commissioner.</p> <p>J. All Serious Incidents will be reported to the respective Regional Commissioner as well as Area, Section and AYSO National Office parties.</p>
<p>19). MEDICAL/FIRST AID</p>	<p>A. There will be a First Aid station at the main tent where participants may receive ice, etc. for minor injuries. The tournament will have an EMT at Columbia Park and the Toyota Sports Complex.</p> <p>B. If a serious injury, the Field Monitors will have a mobile phone to dial 911 for emergency response. If an injury is serious, the first aid staff or Safety Director will call 911 for emergency response.</p> <p>C. Directions to the nearest hospital/urgent care center will be available at the First Aid station.</p>
<p>20). UNIFORMS/SAFETY</p>	<p>A. All players must wear the approved AYSO uniform and all players on the same team must wear matching uniforms (goalkeeper excepted – may have a different jersey).</p> <p>B. Each player's uniform must be marked with a permanently-affixed unique number that matches the uniform number on the Game Card, and may not exchange numbered jerseys with any other player during the game including the goalkeeper.</p> <p>C. Garments may be worn under the uniform (i.e. long sleeves, etc.) during inclement weather, however the match referee will be the judge of what should be allowed or not.</p> <p>D. <u>NOT ALLOWED:</u> jewelry, hard metal or plastic clips on clothing or hair. No player will be allowed to participate with any type of cast or splint. Removal of any type of cast or splint at the field or surrounding area in order to participate shall disqualify that team member from participation.</p> <p>E. AYSO will not prohibit the use of knee braces by players in AYSO events and programs; providing that the brace is adequately covered and padded in the judgment of the referee, so as to eliminate the possibility of its causing injury to the other players on the field.</p>
<p>21). PROTESTS</p>	<p>A. Protests will be considered only for the following reasons:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1). An ineligible player has played. 2). One or more registered player(s), present and in uniform, have not played the required one half of the game (except for illness or injury as recorded by the game referee). <p>B. All protests must be presented in writing to the Tournament Director within 1/2 hour of the completion of the game.</p> <p>C. All protests will be heard by a Protest Committee of at least three persons selected by the Tournament Director. In all cases, the members of the Protest Committee will be unrelated to either team involved in the protest. <u>ALL PROTEST DECISIONS ARE FINAL!</u></p> <p>D. Referee judgment calls are <u>FINAL</u> and are not grounds for nor subject to protest or dispute!</p>
<p>22). RULES INTERPRETATION</p>	<p>NO DOGS OR ANY PETS WILL BE ALLOWED AT ANY OF THE GAME SITES. <u>COACHES, PLEASE LET YOUR PARENTS KNOW THAT IF THEY BRING THEIR PET, THEY WILL BE ASKED TO LEAVE.</u></p> <p>ALSO, THERE ARE NO GRILLS/BBQ'S OF ANY KIND ALLOWED AT ANY OF THE GAME SITES AS WELL.</p> <p>THE TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR RETAINS THE RIGHT TO INTERPRET, APPLY, AND MODIFY THE TOURNAMENT RULES TO THE OPTIMUM BENEFIT OF ALL TOURNAMENT PARTICIPANTS.</p>