



Hot Weather Policy

Relevant Operating Rules:

5.2 Substitutions

- **5.2.1** A maximum of five substitutions will be permitted during the course of play, and these substitutes must provide the officials with a properly completed substitution slip prior to entering the field of play.
 - **5.2.1.i** Unlimited substitution is permitted at half time without the use of substitution slips but the officials must be advised of the substitutes entering the game and the players being substituted.
- **5.2.2** Substitutions can be made at any stoppage of play (at the referee's discretion), and the substitute must enter the field at the halfway line.
- **5.2.3** A substitute must report to the designated game official prior to entering the field of play.
- **5.2.4** A player who has previously been replaced in the game by a substitute shall be allowed to return to the game but that return shall be considered one of the five allowed substitutions, unless it occurs at half time.
- **5.2.5** No substitutions shall be allowed for a player who has been ordered from the field for misconduct.

When the local temperature is 30 degrees Celcius or higher:

- 1. A two (2) minute break will take place at approximately half way through the first half of the game and again approximately half way through the second half of the game.
- 2. Two (2) minutes will be added as extra time to each half, plus any time that would normally be added for injuries, etc.
- 3. There will be no changes to the current substitution rules.