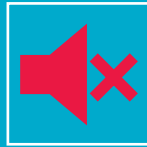


# Indoor Manager's Meeting

2025-2026 Season

## Instructions for Engagement



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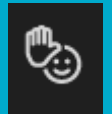
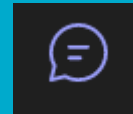
Questions are to be directed to the chat room and will be answered at the end of the powerpoint presentation.



Please type your Name, Team and Program before your question.



Use a reaction if you have an urgent comment or question.





October 29, 2025

# Agenda

- Season Preparation
- Program Updates
- Facility Updates
- Reminders
- Q&A

# CUSA Programs

|                     |            | Boarded | COED | Boardless | Futsal | Total |
|---------------------|------------|---------|------|-----------|--------|-------|
| # of Teams          | 2024<br>25 | 46      | 47   | 177       | 15     | 285   |
| # of Divisions      |            | 6       | 6    | 20        | 2      | 34    |
| # of Teams          | 2025<br>26 | 41      | 47   | 171       | 16     | 275   |
| # of Divisions      |            | 6       | 5    | 19        | 2      | 33    |
| Change in Teams     |            | ↓ 5     | = 0  | ↓ 6       | ↑ 1    | ↓ 10  |
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# Season Preparation

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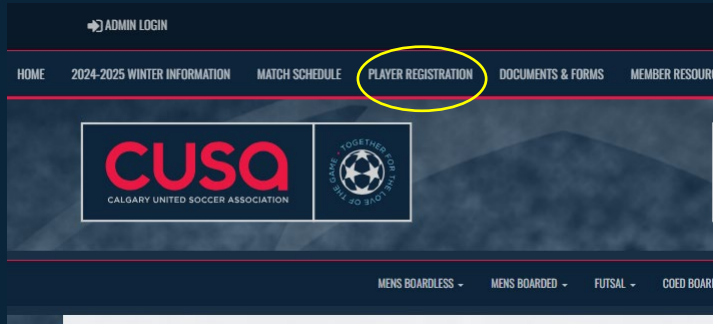
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Coaching Qualifications

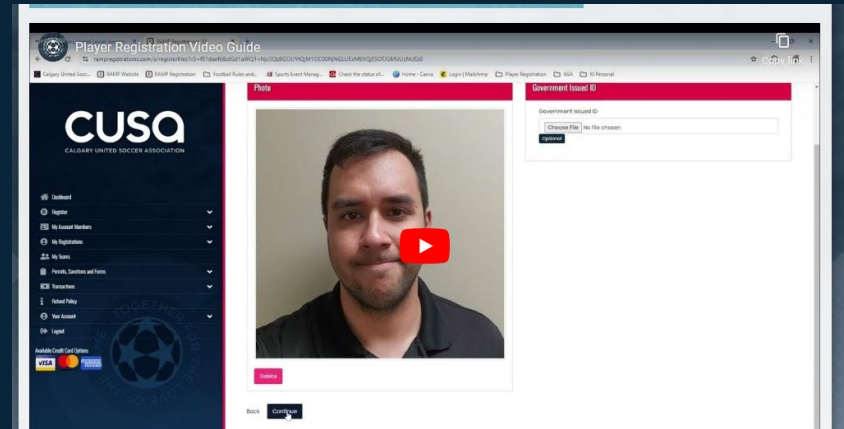
Player Releases



# Player Registration Resources



Video instructions for player registration



Written instructions for player registration

PLAYER REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS

# Player Registration Process

Player registration is online only. Team managers can initiate player registration using one of the following;

- Invitation Email
- Registration Link
- Invite Code

Players who **did not** participate in CUSA or CWSA in Summer 2025 will be charged a \$40.95 membership fee by Alberta Soccer when registering.

Player cards can be paid online while registering. All online payments must be paid via a credit card.

Registered players will appear on the roster on the CUSA Website and on pre-printed game sheets.

After registering, player cards can be picked up at the CUSA office during office hours.

You need **12 registered players** before your first game.

## CUSA

Extended office hours are available soon

**Saturday – Nov. 1: 10am – 3pm**

**Weekdays – Nov. 3-6: 9am – 7pm**

**Friday, Nov. 7: 9am – 5:00pm**

**Open during lunch hour**

**NO CARD. NO PLAY. Must be physical card, no photos. NO EXCEPTION!**

# CUSA PLAYER ID PICTURES

Admin staff will be conducting an ID photo audit starting Indoor 2025-2026.

You may be required to upload an updated photo online or visit the CUSA office to have one taken.

No charge to update your player's card for photo only.

## Photo Requirements

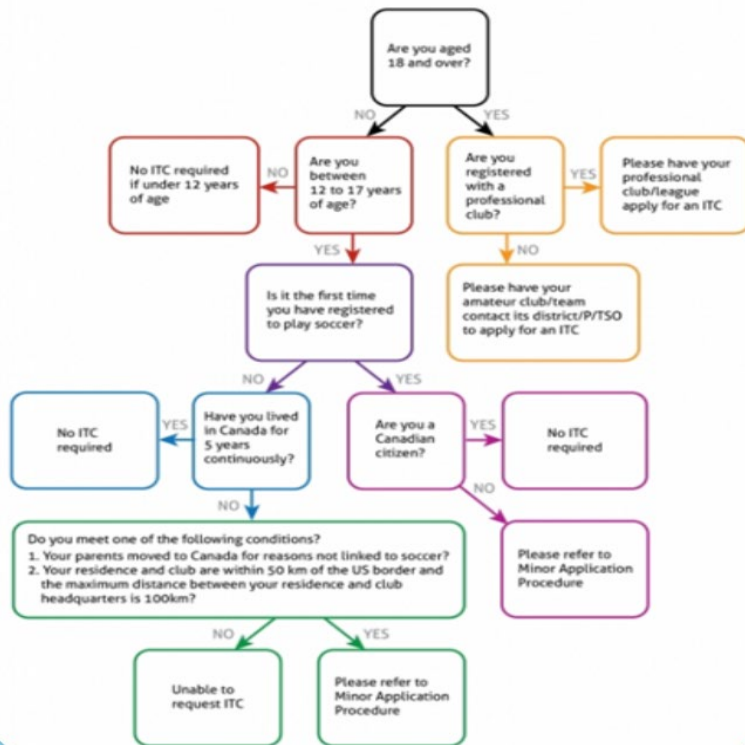


- Passport style photo
  - Smiles are OK
- Clear image of face of player
  - No glasses, hats etc.
- Accurate current representation of the players appearance
  - If they're bald now, update the photo.
  - If they're 20 years older, update the photo.
  - Facial hair changes, update the photo



# Player Releases

## International Transfer Certificates (ITC)



### Arriving from outside of Calgary

- District Release
- **You do not require a release if your last team was within CMSA.**

### Arriving from another Province?

- Provincial Transfer Application

### Arriving from the United States

- US Release Form

### Arriving from Outside USA or Canada

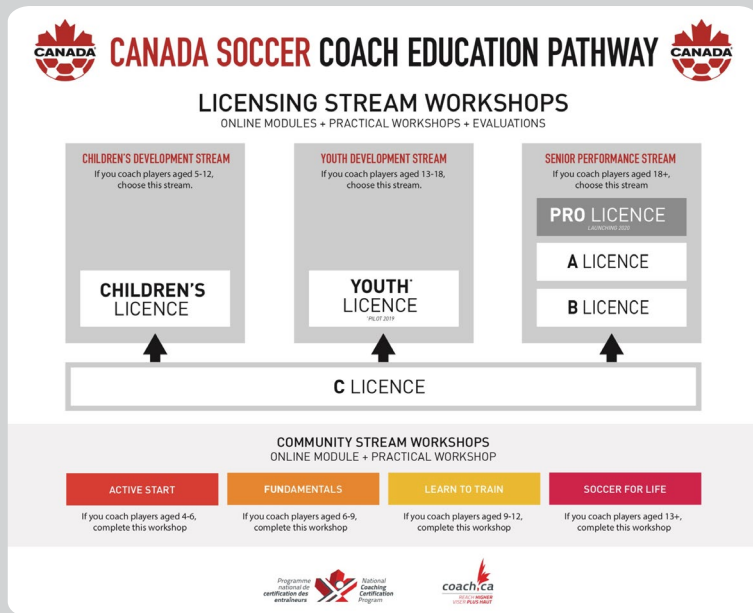
- CSA Transfer Form

If your player received a release from Canadian Soccer to train or play internationally then they need a release back to Canada before resuming play here.

All [forms](#) are on CUSA's website



# Coaching Qualifications



All team staff listed on a Provincial Championship roster are required to obtain Criminal Record Check Clearance. For Futsal Teams this must be submitted by January 31, 2025.

ASA will remove from rosters all team officials who did not meet this requirement

Failure to meet these will disqualify your team and can make you subject to a fine that can be as high as \$2,500.

Teams that register players under the age of 18 years old must have a minimum of two coaches 18 years and older present and participating in the group.

It is recommended that at least one coach per group be trained, at minimum, at the appropriate NCCP Coaching level.

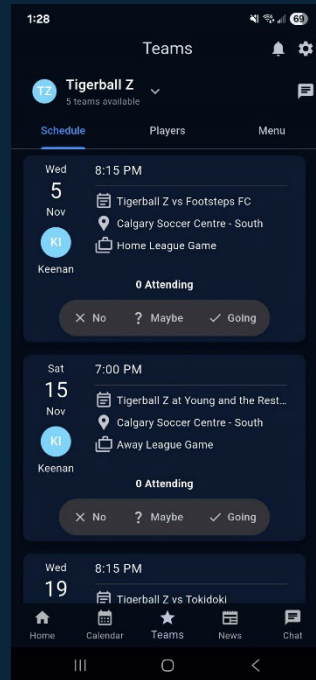
For the safe training of players under the age of 18 years, **Rule of Two** maintained at all training sessions. All team officials will be required to meet the Canadian Police Information Centre requirements, (CPIC), as stated by the Alberta Soccer Association and the Canadian Soccer Association.

All coaches with registered players under 18 years old **MUST have a valid CPIC including Vulnerable Sector search on file with their district/club.**

# RAMP Team - Mobile App 2.0

The Power to Put the Game Right In Your Hands

RAMP Team App keeps Managers, Coaches, Parents, Athletes and Fans Connected and Informed Stacked with features to improve user experience, manage your team, schedule, and communicate. This App syncs effortlessly with your RAMP Website, making it ready to go at the push of a button, eliminating the need for double entry.



## Ramp Team App

- Free for all CUSA Teams
- League updates and information
- Attendance Tracking
- Automatic Game Schedule Updates
- Subscribe to have games in family calendar
- Team chat functionality

# Program Information



Must be written on game sheet

No more than 4 per game

# Boardless Program

- One official per game remains.
- The ball is out of play when it touches the ceiling or building structure overhanging the field of play.
- **Restart:** Throw-in to the opponents of the player who last touched the ball, at the touchline closest to where the ball touched the ceiling or structure
- No offsides
- Throw-ins, not kick-ins
- Red carded players must leave the playing area immediately and are **NOT** to be replaced by another player – the team plays a man short for the remainder of the game.
- Goalkeepers will have no restrictions as to how they distribute the ball – neither from a goal kick, nor in regular possession.
- Free kicks are direct/indirect when applicable and the wall should be set up 6 metres away.
- Spitting on the playing surface is a yellow card and it can get you banned from a facility.
- Substitutes
  - Unlimited
  - Players to be ready at half line – Enter the field at the discretion and permission of the referee.
  - Be organized, clearly at the half-way line distinct from the bench. Let the refs focus on the game.

# Boardless Program

The **Away team** will have kick off in the first half of the game and defend the side which their bench is on.

The **Home team** will have kick off in the second half of the game and defend the side which their bench is on.

# Futsal

- Two venues are in use this season:
  - Seven Chiefs Sportsplex
  - Genesis Center
- Indoor shoes only.
- Teams will require sub bibs for each game. Match officials will mark on game sheet non- compliance.

## League Structure Men's (11 Teams)

- Single Round Robin (10 games)
  - Top 7 teams to Provincial Division. One round robin (6 games).
  - Bottom 4 teams to non-provincial. Double Round Robin (6 games).
- Final Standings determine Provincial Qualifiers

## League Structure Women's (5 Teams)

- Triple round robin (12 games)
- League Standings determine Provincial Qualifiers.

# Provincial - National Criteria

- Top male & female teams advance to provincials.
  - Goal is to send 2 teams from each division. Will be confirmed when ASA announces Provincial locations and dates.
- Teams must have coaches meeting CSA criteria.
- Only players properly registered for the current season with an Association in Membership shall be eligible to compete in the Futsal Canadian Championship. All players on the final submitted roster shall be either:
  - a Canadian Citizen; or
  - a Permanent Resident (as defined by the Government of Canada);
  - a Protected Person (as defined by the Government of Canada).
- All players must provide proof of Canadian Citizenship, Permanent Residency, or Protected Person.

# Rules & Regulations Updates

- 3.7.5 Card presentation prior to a match:
- 3.7.5.1 Players are to present their physical cards to the game official individually and state (show) the jersey number under which they will be playing.
  - 3.7.5.2 All bench personnel are to present their physical cards to the game official individually.
  - 3.7.5.3 All CUSA ID cards collected prior to the start of the match will be returned to the team upon the conclusion of the game, unless the game official is required to retain the card(s) for submission to CUSA. (Indoor 2025-2026)
- 3.7.6 Individuals may not be in the bench area of a team without having a valid CUSA ID card.

Referees collect and keep ID cards to be returned at the end of the game.

- 4.7.7 Should the Challenger be successful they will advance to the higher divisional position and the team being Challenged will be relegated to the next lower divisional position. **The Challenged team will be the first team offered an unearned promotion back into the division, should the opportunity arise. (Indoor 2025-2026)**

Member request – team that lost challenge more likely a ‘better fit’.

- 5.4.17 Teams will be allowed unlimited substitutions at a time, at the discretion of the Referee (Indoor 2025-2026).

Updated for all 7v7 and 6v6 programs have same substitution procedure.

- 7.1.13 Transfer of players do not apply to COED teams in Boarded and 7v7 programs (Indoor 2025-2026).

Player transfer is not applicable to COED teams.

- 11.1.5 For an individual to have served a game suspension, their team must “physically” play a League or Cup game or tournament.
- 11.1.5.1 If the game the player is required to serve their suspension gets rescheduled, the player must serve their suspension at the next game scheduled. The suspension cannot be deferred to the rescheduled game.
  - 11.1.5.2 If the game in which a player is scheduled to serve their suspension is forfeited by the opposing team, the forfeited game will count as a game served towards the suspension. (Indoor 2025)

For a player serving a suspension, when the **OTHER** team forfeits the game, this will then count towards the suspended game count for the player.



# JERSEYS (Kit)

Every team is responsible for having two kits.

Teams are to wear their designated Kit: Home or Away as per schedule. Home team to change if there is a conflict.



## Proper Kits

- 2<sup>nd</sup> set of jerseys in opposite color from primary set. i.e. black and white
- All jerseys are numbered
- Each player has their own kit
- **Futsal Teams require sub bibs**

## Unacceptable Kit

- 2<sup>nd</sup> set of jerseys do not have numbers
- Pinnies, duct tape. (coed teams are allowed a pinnie over jersey)
- Players sharing jerseys with subs
- Jersey's worn inside out

# Jewellery Not Allowed

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FIFA

## 1. Safety

A player must not use equipment or wear anything that is dangerous.

All items of jewellery (necklaces, rings, bracelets, earrings, leather bands, rubber bands, etc.) are forbidden and must be removed. Using tape to cover jewellery is not permitted.

The players must be inspected before the start of the match and substitutes before they enter the field of play. If a player is wearing or using unauthorised/dangerous equipment or jewellery, the referee must order the player to:

- remove the item
- leave the field of play at the next stoppage if the player is unable or unwilling to comply

**Jewellery CANNOT be covered up with tape, wrist band, band aid, etc.**

Laws  
of the Game  
**24/25**



Download  
Laws of the Game App



# Player Indebtedness

## No Forced Loyalty



The time period that a club/team can hold a player accountable for past fees, while allowing the player to continue to play, is the **past season**.

- Club must have a **written record** between club & player on amount of fees & payment agreement. Emails or text count.
- A verbal agreement is not sufficient
- Agreement to be renewed each season of play.
- For a player's registration or transfer to be blocked due to indebtedness to a club the indebted club must provide the league with a list of the players to be locked prior to the commencement of the registration period for that season.
- **When a player account is locked it can no longer be for a player to sign with the club that requested the lock unless:**
  - **Past fees are paid in full**
  - **Payment plan has been reached**
  - **Outstanding debt has been forgiven**

**Game Day Success**



**Be Prepared**

30-DAY PRICE GUAR



# Team Checklist



- ✓ Register players and coaches
  - ✓ U18 players – require 2 coaches with CPIC
- ✓ Physical ID cards required
  - ✓ Player/Coaches should have 2 cards.
- ✓ Two sets of numbered uniforms
  - ✓ Uniforms listed on website
  - ✓ Teams to wear colours as shown
  - ✓ Home team changes when conflict
- ✓ Print 1 copy of game sheet/game
  - ✓ All Coaches listed on game sheet and signed
  - ✓ [Blank sheet](#) under forms if you cannot print from RAMP
- ✓ Home team to provide game balls
- ✓ Take a picture of your game sheet at field for record of cards and goal scorers
  - ✓ Yellow card suspensions automatic after 3<sup>rd</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>
  - ✓ Red card discipline details can be received from office.
- ✓ [Log into RAMP](#) and enter your match results
- ✓ Complete the [Referee Evaluation](#) within 14 days of the game.

# Game Sheet Printing

CUSA uses pre-printed game sheets from the RAMP Software

- Pre-filled with player name, CUSA ID number, and jersey number.
- 1 copy required for each game.
- Digital copy for teams – take a picture of the game sheet.
- Easier to read for officials and CUSA administration
- Faster game statistics input
- Update online after the game for up-to-date records

For best results – have players register at least 24 hours prior to game time

# Player Card Process

- The referee will complete the player card check for every individual on the field or in the technical area.
- Player/coaches should present both a player's card, and a coach's card.
- Once all players have been checked, the official will retain the bundle of player cards.
- The official will keep the player card of anyone who is dismissed from the game to be submitted to the league office with a misconduct report.
- Team is responsible to ensure that there is no one at your team bench and area, that does not have a valid CUSA ID card and is on your game sheet.

## Questioning the Identity of an opponent?

- Ask that the official have the player in question sign their full name (not just initials) on the back of the game sheet.
- Player will be permitted to play in the game, CUSA administration to review and follow up.

## Players who play under an assumed name

- Player: Up to a 12-month suspension & \$500 Fine.
- Team: Game Forfeit, \$100-\$2,000 fine and/or Bond. Disqualified from promotion.



# Gameday Process

## Print appropriate game sheet (1 copy only)

- Ensure Coach is listed and signed off on the bottom. Player/Coach is permitted in the case of Coach absence.
- Anyone on the game sheet who will not be at the game needs to be crossed off.
- Guest players are to be written on the game sheet if necessary.

## Digital copy

- After the game, the referee will complete both teams game sheet and provide an opportunity for each team manager to take a picture of the game sheets for their record. Ensure all cards and goals are marked correctly at this time. **CUSA administration cannot change the official game sheet once submitted to CUSA.**

## Update online Stats

- Login to the Team Management Login
- Update the game sheet with the game score, fair play score, who scored the goals and who received yellow cards. This will ensure the website is up to date.



# Post Game Tasks

# GAME SHEET INFORMATION

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After a game is over ensure that the information on the game sheet is correct. Then once they are signed by the official and received by office, the information is considered accurate.

Review:

- Who received a card
- Who scored
- Who played/did not play
- Who were guest players
- Team Officials at game
- If an opposing team has challenged the identity of a player

**Want your team stats and results updated immediately?**

Did you know any team coach can log in following game to enter results for up to 7 days after the game.



# Fair Play Points – Referee Evaluations

The Fair Play Team Award is intended to foster the spirit of fair play for the competition. A team includes all players, coaches, and other team officials on the team roster.

All teams start off the game with a Fair Play Score of 10.

Demerits can range from -2 to -25 depending on infraction.

Teams may earn merit by submitting a referee evaluation within two weeks of the date of a game. Only one evaluation per game by a team will be counted.

***Teams who receive more than 90 demerits in the season will have to meet with the Discipline Committee to determine what action needs to be taken to improve this and to determine their eligibility to play in the league.***

At the completion of the season, the 2 teams with the top fair play score for their division split (65/35) the Fair Play Pool for their division. COED league will have a fair play prize following both 8-week seasons.



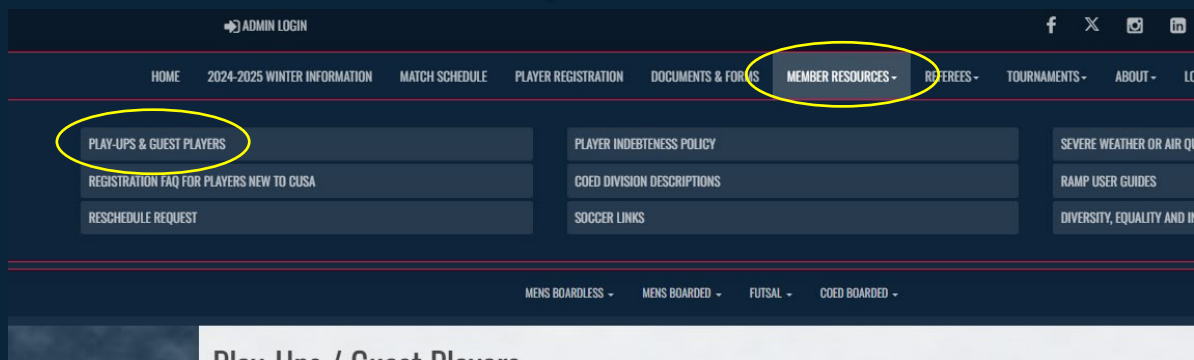
# Guest Players



Must be written on game sheet

No more than 4 per game

# Website Quick-Guide



## Boardless Program

### Men's Open

- Can only play up for their club if they are registered in a lower division club team of the same name. Lowest division is the U23 division/Division 5.
- An example of this rule:
  - Foothills FC Div 5 player plays up for a higher division Foothills team - ALLOWED.
  - Foothills FC Div 5 player plays up for a higher division non-Foothills team - NOT ALLOWED.
  - U23 Calgary West player plays up for a higher division non-Calgary West team - NOT ALLOWED.
  - Div 5 player plays up for a team with a different name - NOT ALLOWED.
- Players can play up a maximum of 6 games per team in total per season.

### Master's Elite/Competitive

Age Category: 35 as of Jan 1st

- Eligible to play up for Men's Open - Division 3 and above ONLY.
- Can play up a maximum of 6 games per team in total per season.

### Master's Premier (NOT APPLICABLE TO INDOOR SEASON)

Age Category: 35 as of Jan 1st

- Eligible for Master's Elite, Men's Open.
- Can guest a maximum of 6 games per team in a season.
- The Master's players who are over 45 years of age may play down into O45 A.
- No more than 2 Master's Premier players per O45A game.

### Master's 1 & lower

Age Category: 35 as of Jan 1st

- Eligible to play up for any team in Master's Elite/Comp, Master's Premier, Men's Open.
- Can guest a maximum of 6 games per team in a season.
- Master's players who are 45 years of age and older:
  - can guest play for any O45 team for an unlimited number of games
  - no more than 2 Masters' players may play down per game per team.
  - **Exception:** those registered in the lowest Master's divisions may play unlimited into O45 and up to 4 may play down into any O45 division.

### Over 45

Age Category: O45 prior to registration

- Can play up unlimited per team with any Masters', Men's Open or higher Over 45 division team.

## Boarded Program

- Competitive is the highest division and the Recreational groups are the lowest.
- Recreational players can play up into Competitive only, for a maximum of 6 times per team.
- Recreational players can guest play across groups i.e. Recreational A player can guest play for a team in Recreational B, and vice versa.
- Recreational players NOT allowed to guest play for a team in their grouping.
- Masters O35 players can play up to any Men's Open teams.
- O45 players can play up to any Masters or Men's Open teams.
- O45A players are NOT allowed to play down for O45B.
- O45B players are allowed to guest play for a team within the O45B group. Players cannot play against their registered team.
- No guest players allowed from other programs (Boardless, COED and Futsal)

## Coed Boarded Program

- Teams are eligible to have up to 4 guest players in a match.
- **Players may guest onto any team in their same group, or any group/division ABOVE. With the re-introduction of tiered groups - Rec A, Rec B, Ultra Rec A, and Ultra Rec B, please be aware that Ultra Recreational A players cannot play down to Ultra Recreational B, and Recreational A players cannot play down to Recreational B.**
- Players cannot play against their registered team.
- Players may be a guest player 6 times per team.
- No guest players allowed from other programs (Boardless, Men's Boarded and Futsal)

## Futsal Program

- No guest players allowed - players must be registered with the team to play with the team.

# Play within the Program Registered

| Program       | Men's Boarded                                                                     | Boardless                                                                         | Futsal                                                                              | Coed                                                                                |
|---------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Men's Boarded | See Program Rules                                                                 |  |  |  |
| Boardless     |  | See Program Rules                                                                 |  |  |
| Futsal        |  |  |  |  |
| Coed          |  |  |  | See Program Rules                                                                   |

Players can be registered to one team in each program.



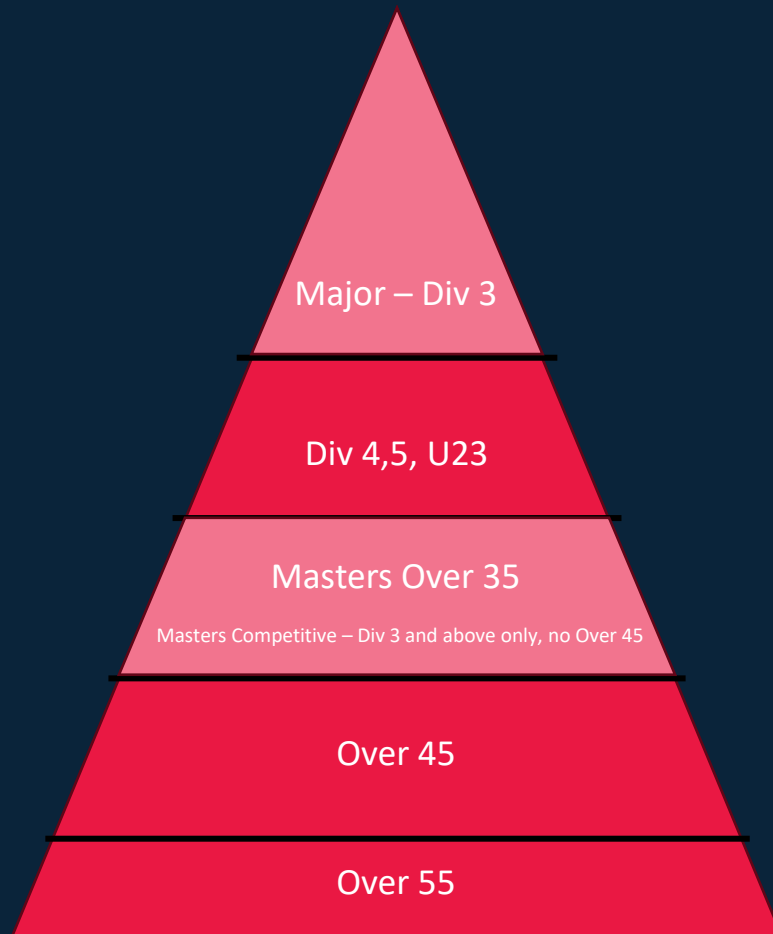
# Men's Boardless Program

## Men's Open

- Play-ups within Open Division are Club or Affiliation tied.
  - U23 divisions players are eligible to guest within their club into division 4 and higher.
- U23 teams may use up to 3 guest players, or register up to 3 players, who are over aged per game.
- Club guest players are restricted to 6 games as a guest player total.
- All teams can call guest players from Masters, Over 45 or Over 55.
  - Masters Competitive players can only guest play into Major-Division 3.

## Masters & Over 45

- Masters Competitive – Masters 3 can call guest players from a lower Masters Division or Over 45/Over 55 team.
- Over 45 can call guest players from a lower Over 45 division or Over 55.
- Over 55 can call guest players from other Over 55 teams, or players who meet the age requirements from Over 45.



# Affiliate Teams (Boardless)

Independent Open Division Teams may affiliate with another Independent Open Division Team for the purpose of guest players. Club teams are not eligible to affiliate to another team.

Teams will need to identify their affiliate by **January 30<sup>th</sup> 2025**, or prior to their 1<sup>st</sup> game using a guest player from that team, which ever occurs first.

Teams may not change their affiliation during the season.

A lower division affiliate cannot challenge their higher division affiliate for their league position through Promotional Challenge.

Guest player restrictions remain in place – 6x per player from lower division team to higher division team.

Affiliation remains in place for 2 consecutive seasons of registration.

# Men's Boarded Program

- Open division teams can use guest players from any team in a lower level of competition.
- Masters Division can use guest players from Over 45 only
- Over 45A can use Over 45B registered players.

Players can be registered to one team in each program.

## Your Team's Registered Division

Eligible Divisions to call guest players

|                | Competitive                                                                       | Recreational A                                                                    | Recreational B                                                                    | Masters                                                                             | Over 45A                                                                            | Over 45B                                                                            |
|----------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Competitive    |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Recreational A | 6x/Team                                                                           |  |  |  |  |  |
| Recreational B | 6x/Team                                                                           |  |  |  |  |  |
| Masters        | 6x/Team                                                                           | 6x/Team                                                                           | 6x/Team                                                                           |  | Unlimited<br>Aged O45                                                               | Unlimited<br>Aged O45                                                               |
| Over 45A       | Unlimited                                                                         | Unlimited                                                                         | Unlimited                                                                         | Unlimited                                                                           |  |  |
| Over 45B       | Unlimited                                                                         | Unlimited                                                                         | Unlimited                                                                         | Unlimited                                                                           | Unlimited                                                                           | Unlimited                                                                           |

Intra Divisional Guest  
players in O45B ONLY

# COED

## Restrictive Movement

- The team and the player are responsible to ensure that he or she is eligible to play as a guest player.
- Teams are eligible to have up to 4 guest players in a match.
- Players may be a guest player 6x per team in a season within the division groupings of the team or above.

## Fairness Model

- All Divisions
- The winning team will play one player short when a goal differential reaches 7.
- When/If the goal differential is reduced to 5, the teams return to even strength.
- Teams must still maintain their gender ratio of players

### Your Team's Registered Division

Eligible Divisions to call  
guest players

|                | Intermediate | Recreational A                                                                    | Recreational B                                                                      | Ultra Rec A                                                                         | Ultra Rec B                                                                         |
|----------------|--------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Intermediate   | 6x/Team      |  |  |  |  |
| Recreational A | 6x/Team      | 6x/Team                                                                           |  |  |  |
| Recreational B | 6x/Team      | 6x/Team                                                                           | 6x/Team                                                                             |  |  |
| Ultra Rec A    | 6x/Team      | 6x/Team                                                                           | 6x/Team                                                                             | 6x/Team                                                                             |  |
| Ultra Rec B    | 6x/Team      | 6x/Team                                                                           | 6x/Team                                                                             | 6x/Team                                                                             | 6x/Team                                                                             |



# Facility Reminders



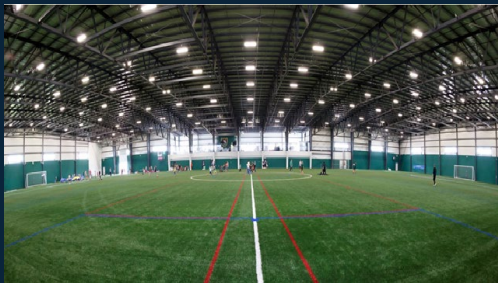
- Full size FIFA 11v11 Indoor Artificial Turf field.
- Domed Structure
- New Building has
  - Change Rooms with Showers
  - Referee Change Rooms
  - Public Washrooms
- West parking lot paved - +100 parking spots.



# Boardless Facility Reminders

## Macron Performance Centre

- Changerooms are outside, check facility board for assignment
- No changing on sidelines or up on the mezzanine!



## Shouldice Seasonal Dome



- Washrooms (outside of the Dome @ Hellard)
- Access to water fountains are outside in the washrooms
- **No Change Rooms**, come dressed to play, no changing on sidelines!

# Futsal Facility Reminders

## Seven Chiefs Sportsplex

19 Bullhead Rd, Tsuut'ina AB T3T 0A6

- Changerooms are not available for league games. Public washrooms are outside gym.
- GPS navigation to facility may not be accurate.
- **No changing on sidelines**

## The Genesis Center of Community Wellness

7555 Falconridge Blvd NE, Calgary AB T3J 0C9

- Changeroom assignments will be posted on the board.
- Spectators to be upstairs.

# Facility Reminders

CSC Annex dressing rooms do not have shower access.

Teams must be aware of and abide by the facility operating procedures regarding arrival and departure time frame from the dressing rooms/building.

Use of profanity or inappropriate language is not allowed.

No spitting on any surface – individuals may face CUSA suspension as well as being banned from the facility if they are caught spitting.



# Facility Reminders

- Drinks to be consumed in pubs not change rooms.
- No smoking or vaping inside
- Use Clean footwear
- Leave Changerooms clean!
- Changerooms available 30 minutes before and after game.



# Conduct within Facilities

Incidents whereby staff identify unruly team/player conduct.

## Unruly defined as:

including, but is not limited to; spectator conduct, swearing in public areas, alcohol consumption, staff harassment, etc.

Team Representative (Coach or Manager) identify themselves to facility staff

Team Representative will be point of contact between staff the individual(s) involved

Team Representative will relay instructions of staff.

If a Team Representative does not follow instructions of facility staff, further action will be taken up to and including the activation of CPS and/or Corporate Security

Players who are sent off are often emotionally charged. Once these individuals have left the field of play, they will be considered members of the public. If a Team Representative must escort a sent-off player to the locker room (or away from the pitch) to ensure their player behaves, then that should be done.



**Discipline**





## Code of Conduct

All Members should expect to be treated fairly in all matters. Members shall not discriminate against other Members by means of different, unequal, or inconsistent treatment applied to individual members.

No Member shall harass another Member by actions that include, but are not limited to, unwelcome remarks, invitations, requests, gestures, or physical contact that, whether indirect or explicit, has the purpose or effect of humiliating, interfering with, or creating an intimidating situation for that other Member. Harassment shall be considered inappropriate behavior, be it ethnic, religious, or sexual in nature.

The interaction or involvement of Members under the jurisdiction of the Association shall not result in threats, intimidation, or inflicted physical distress between such Members, whether implied or explicit.

# Referees Feedback

- Referees were surveyed at the end of Outdoor
  - Dissent from coaches/players frustrate 63% of referees (followed by spectator behaviour)
  - League referees prefer to work in (same as 2024):
    - 1<sup>st</sup> CMSA
    - 2<sup>nd</sup> CWSA
    - 3<sup>rd</sup> CUSA
  - “Love of the game” hands down is the reason referees are on the pitch (88%)
    - Let’s work together to keep them on the pitch



## Any questions regarding discipline or officials?

Email [admin@cusa.ab.ca](mailto:admin@cusa.ab.ca)

# Discipline and Referees

## The Good:

- Less of the most severe and serious nature incidents – Credit to Leadership for your part in that

## The Bad:

- More red cards for OIAL than previously. More Assistant Referee abuse reported.
- Referees less likely to choose CUSA assignments – knock-on effects of this.
- Collective responsibility to call this out when seeing it from your own team.



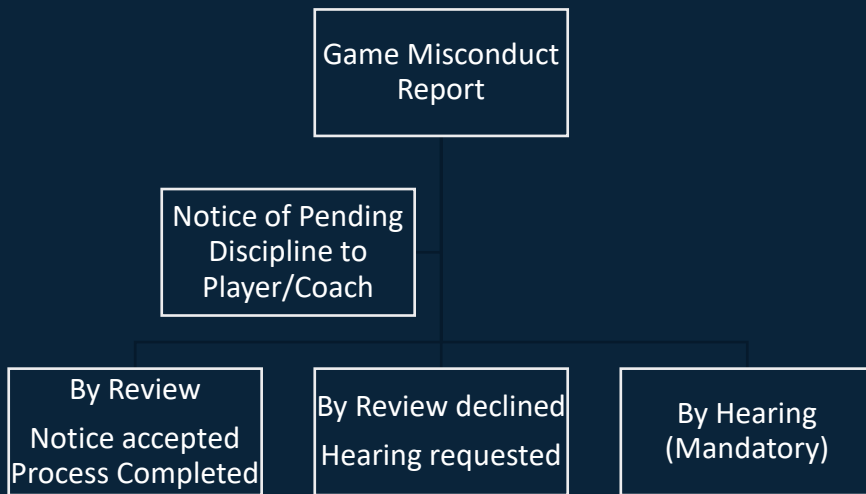
# Disguising Identity to play illegally

- Consistent problem we are having.
- Compromises league integrity
- Unfair on our match officials who have limited time between games
- Legal and Insurance Risks.
- Administrative burden.

Feedback and case study involving team managers, referees, discipline committee members has led to new procedures being introduced:

- Updated Player Cards
  - Direct messaging to all the players
  - Direct messaging to referees for consistent process
  - Team officials able to take photo of game sheet BEFORE the game
  - Process for submitting challenging a player's identity
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- Punishments for people found guilty – Players, teams, team officials

# Discipline Procedures



Discipline Committee are volunteers.  
Want to contribute? Contact the CUSA Office

Tracking of accumulation of Yellow cards remain with the team/player to be aware.  
Cards are verified on the website as the game sheets arrive in the office.

# Discipline Code Updates

## Section-B¶

| 1-Game-Offence---DBR¶                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                           |                |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|----------------|
| Offence¶                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | #¶                                        | Suspension¶    |
| 1. → Any player sent off for-¶<br>a. → Denying the opposing team a goal or an obvious goal-scoring opportunity by deliberately handling the ball¶<br>b. → Denying an obvious goal-scoring opportunity to an opponent moving towards the player's goal by an offence punishable by a free kick or a penalty kick¶ | 1st¶                                      | 1¶             |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 2nd¶                                      | 2¶             |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Repeat¶                                   | 4¶             |
| 2. → Players ejected for a second cautionable offence in the same game¶                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                           |                |
| 3. → Players receiving three (3) cautions (yellow cards) in three (3) separate games... Players who fail to comply will be deemed as "playing when ineligible"¶                                                                                                                                                  | 3-cautions¶<br>6-cautions¶<br>9-cautions¶ | 1¶<br>2¶<br>3¶ |

Clarify the number of games a player will be suspended for receiving **cautions (yellow cards)** during a season

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## Section-L¶

| Participating When Ineligible---DBR¶                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                  |             |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Offence¶                                                                                                                                                                              | #¶                                                               | Suspension¶ |
| 1. → As a guest player outside the provisions of the restrictive movement regulation.¶                                                                                                | 1st¶                                                             | 2¶          |
| 2. → When cup-tied (Men's only).¶                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                  |             |
| 3. → When not registered for the current season and having been a registered CUSA member for some time during the last four (4) soccer seasons.¶                                      | 2nd¶                                                             | 3¶          |
| 4. → When registered but without a valid ID card.¶                                                                                                                                    |                                                                  |             |
| 5. → When entering the field of play <b>when not listed on the game sheet (Indoor 2025-2026).</b> ¶                                                                                   | Repeat¶                                                          | 4¶          |
| 6. → In the game(s) following a professional foul.¶                                                                                                                                   | 2¶<br>(In addition to those games to be served under section-B)¶ |             |
| 7. → In the game(s) following the game where a second caution was earned.¶                                                                                                            |                                                                  |             |
| 8. → In the game(s) following their third/sixth/ninth yellow card infraction.¶                                                                                                        |                                                                  |             |
| 9. → When playing while registered in two (2) districts in the same season... Consideration for extra game(s) if knowingly asked for a release but continued to play for both teams.¶ | 1st¶                                                             | 2¶          |

Ensure your name is on the game sheet before entering the field of play

# Discipline Code Updates

## Section M

### Participating When Illegal -- DBH (Indoor 2025)

| Offence                                                                                              | #                                                                               | Suspension                             |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| 1. → When registered with another team, except when registered as a club/team official               | 1 <sup>st</sup>                                                                 | Up to 12 months<br>Fine up to \$500.00 |
| 2. → When not registered, and not having been registered within the previous four (4) soccer seasons | Repeat                                                                          | 18 months – 5 years                    |
| 3. → When suspended for any reason other than those infractions listed in Section L                  |                                                                                 |                                        |
| 4. → When playing or attempting to play under an assumed name                                        |                                                                                 |                                        |
| 5. → Playing while suspended under Section L                                                         | Any games that were held over will be transferred to the suspension immediately |                                        |

Section M has now become an automatic DBH – Discipline Hearing

|                                                                                                                                                                               |                 |                                 |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|
| 11. → Failure to arrive for a scheduled CUSA/COED game<br>a. → with advance notification of 30 or more days                                                                   | 1 <sup>st</sup> | Forfeiture only                 |
|                                                                                                                                                                               | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Forfeiture, \$150 fine          |
|                                                                                                                                                                               | Repeat          | Forfeiture<br>Recommend removal |
| b. → with advance notice of less than 30 days<br>c. → Failure to have the minimum number of players dressed and ready within the time allowable for kick-off (Indoor 2025-26) | 1 <sup>st</sup> | Forfeiture, \$300 fine          |
|                                                                                                                                                                               | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Forfeiture, \$600 fine          |
|                                                                                                                                                                               | Repeat          | Forfeiture<br>Recommend removal |

Increase to fines assessed to teams for failure to arrive for a scheduled game

Fines collected by CUSA from teams under Section O 11(b) and (c) - game forfeiture - will be distributed to the non-offending team, less an administrative fee of \$150





**Reminders**

# Rescheduling Requests

The City of Calgary field return policy is a minimum of 30 days notice. This includes indoor and outdoor venues.

This means that the league must return an unused field more than 30 days prior to the permit date otherwise the league is charged for the field's usage.

**Venue access is at a premium this season. In most situations a request for a reschedule will likely mean a late kick off, if an alternate date can be found.**

As a result, the [Rescheduling Policy and Procedure](#), Reschedule Charges and Forfeiture Fines have been updated to reflect these changes:

- More than 30 Days – No Charge
- Less than 30 Days but More than 3 Business Days - \$150.00
- Less than 3 Business Days - \$300.00



# Inclement Weather Travel

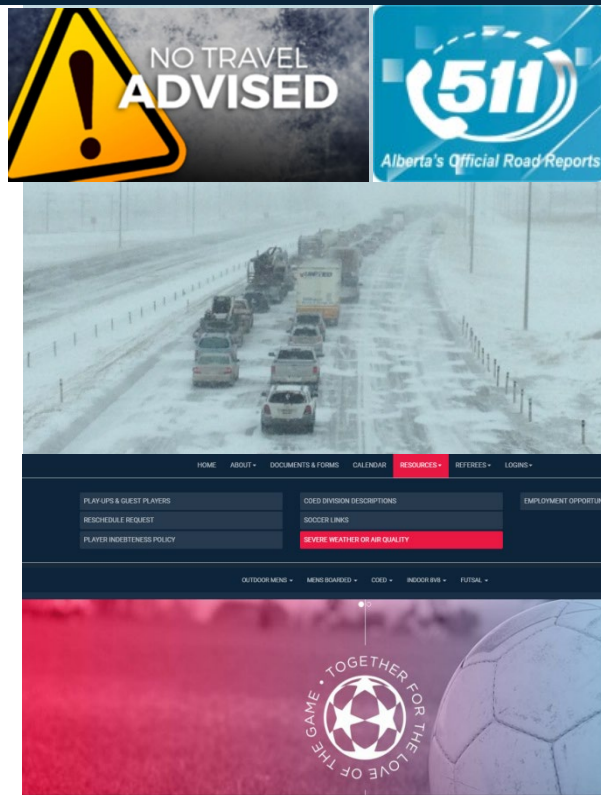
## CALGARY UNITED SOCCER ASSOCIATION INCLEMENT WEATHER TRAVEL PROCEDURE

### Overview

Teams participating in Calgary United Soccer Association (CUSA) are expected to play all of their games; however it is not required nor expected of our teams to travel on highways inside or outside of the City of Calgary during extreme winter weather conditions. CUSA does not want to put any Coach, Player, or fan in a situation where they do not feel safe driving to a game and we encourage teams to use their best judgement when evaluating road safety. We encourage coaches to use road condition updates provided by the Government of Alberta along with Travel Advisories issued by local police and RCMP as resources when determining if travel is safe.

### 2) Process for Road Closures and Travel Advisories

- a. The Alberta Road Report can be found at [www.511.alberta.ca](http://www.511.alberta.ca). If the major highway is listed as closed or a travel advisory is announced within 4 hours of the game time, the game will be cancelled/postponed. Best efforts will be made by the league to have the game rescheduled; however field availability and timing in the season may prevent the game from being played.
- b. The Travelling Team is responsible for notifying the following;
  - i. CSF Referee Scheduler – [ref.scheduler@soccerrefs.ca](mailto:ref.scheduler@soccerrefs.ca)
  - ii. CUSA office – [info@cusa.ab.ca](mailto:info@cusa.ab.ca)
  - iii. Opponent – Each team has been provided the contact list for all CUSA teams.

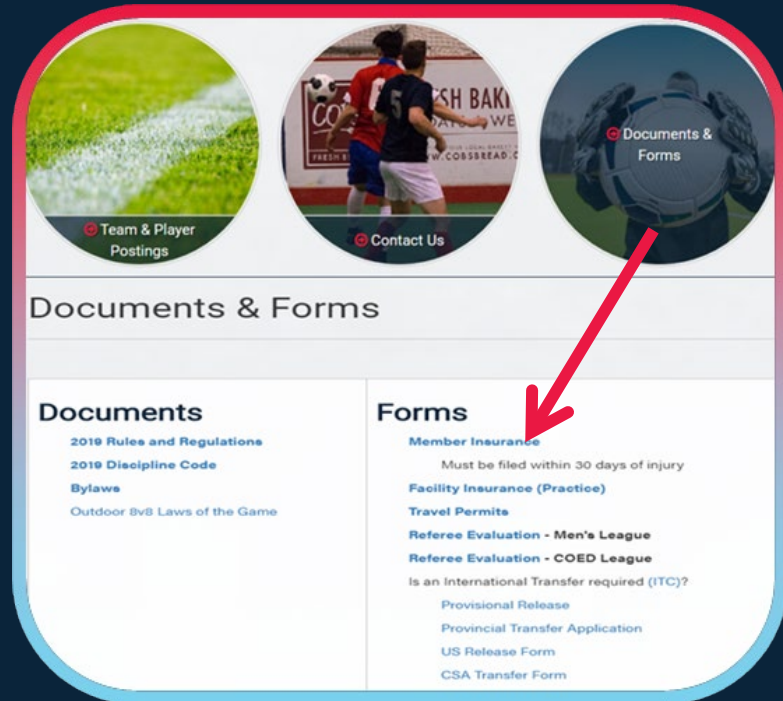
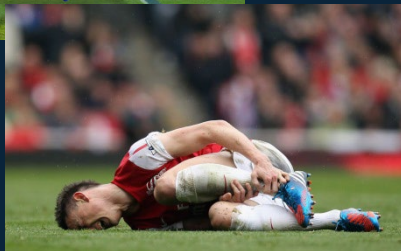


# Insurance - Player Injury

Alberta Soccer covers its Members with Commercial General Liability, Sport Accident and Excess Travel (out-of-country is now a mandatory purchase) Insurance protection.



**30 days** from injury to submit a claim or notice of injury.





# Team Awards from Outdoor

Pick up at CUSA Office - Date TBA



# Key Dates & Reminders



| Date                     | Event                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|--------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Nov 1 <sup>st</sup>      | League play commences                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Dec. 21-Jan. 4           | Christmas break                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Jan 10-12                | New Year's Resolution COED Tournament                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| January 31 <sup>st</sup> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Transfer Deadline</li><li>• Last Day to Remove Players</li><li>• Notice of Intent for Promotional Challenge</li><li>• Final date to receive Futsal player citizenship exemption</li><li>• Futsal Rosters locked (no additions)</li><li>• No transfer requests can be initiated Feb 1 onwards</li></ul> |
| Mar. 30 to Apr. 13       | Nations Cup                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Apr. 10 to 13            | Futsal Nationals (TBD)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |



# Questions



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Extended Hours Nov. 1 – Nov. 7

Saturday Nov. 1 – 10am – 3pm

Monday – Thursday 9am to 7pm

Friday – 9am to 5pm