



**Western Cup Tournament
April 18-19, 2025
Macron Performance Centre**

Player Eligibility

1. Experienced division – for players that have a background playing organized soccer.
2. Beginner division – players who have not played organized soccer.
3. Players may only play for one team in the tournament. Players **must** be registered on the roster to play.
4. All players must have a valid Alberta Soccer Association Membership. Individuals who are not currently members will be required to pay the applicable membership fee upon registration (\$38.85 for 2025/26).
5. Rosters cannot exceed 20 players.
6. A minimum of 5 players are required to start a game, less than this will result in a forfeiture of that game.
7. Teams can make roster changes up until **Thursday April 17th, 2025**. Exceptions will be provided on a case-to-case basis, please see tournament representatives for all inquiries.

Format – Single Round Robin

1. Each team will play in a single round robin with finals being determined based on seeding round results. Points will be earned as follows:
 - a. 4 points for a clean sheet win
 - b. 3 points for a win
 - c. 1 point for a tie
 - d. 0 points for a loss
2. If teams in groups of 4 finish single round robin and are equal on points, winners shall be decided as follows:
 - a. Goal difference (total goals for minus total goals against)
 - b. Most goals scored
 - c. Fewest goals against
 - d. Goal difference against each other
 - e. Fewest yellow cards
 - f. Fair play points
 - g. Shoot out

Game Results/Point System

1. All games will be two 25-minute halves.
2. A maximum of five (5) goal spread will be recorded. (If a team wins by 8-1 the score will be 6-1)
3. If final games are tied at the end of regulation time the winner will be determined by a penalty shoot-out. Best of 5 shooters. If still tied, continue in a best of 1 shooters format until the winner is decided.





Fair Play Point System and Red Cards

1. Referees will rate the Fair Play for each team out of 10. It will be based on the opinion of the sportsmanship of the teams.
2. The Tournament Committee will automatically add Fair Play Points for teams receiving a Rainbow Card from the Referee:
 - a. Rainbow card = 2 Points
3. A maximum of 4 Rainbow cards per game may be handed out
4. The Tournament Committee will automatically deduct Fair Play Points for the following infractions.
 - a. Yellow card = 1 Points
 - b. Red Card for Second Caution = 2 Points
 - c. Red Card for any other Red Card Offense = 5 Points
5. A player receiving a red card in a game will be automatically given 1 game suspension and sent to the Tournament Representatives where they will determine if 1 game is enough for the offence.
6. There is ZERO TOLERANCE of OIAL (Offensive, Insulting and Abusive Language) towards game officials, players or opponents within this tournament. Any game ejections because of this offense and the player will not be permitted to continue playing in the tournament.

Game Sheets

1. Game sheets will be available for each team to retrieve from the Tournament Organizers. The Tournament Organizers will have extra blank game sheets, if needed by teams.

Uniforms

1. Players must wear matching numbered jerseys.
2. The home team will supply two game balls.
3. The home team will be responsible for changing to alternate jerseys or use bibs should they conflict with away team. Referee will determine color conflict.
4. Shin guards must be worn. Braces are at the discretion of the referee.
5. No hard casts or jewelry permitted.

Rules Specific to Western Cup:

1. Slide tackling (clean or otherwise) is **NOT** permitted and is cautionable with a YELLOW card – no exceptions!
2. Denying a goal or an obvious goal-scoring opportunity (DOGSO) is to be called a foul.
3. All other rules of indoor soccer apply.

Prizes & Awards

1. Each division will have a Champion and a Runner Up. They will receive a medal.

