



Dunbrack Ratomir Tournament – 2024 Rules

1. **Eligibility:** All participating teams must be currently registered with their provincial association. Out of province teams must have an authorized travel permit from their provincial governing body.

All teams outside of the jurisdiction of Soccer Nova Scotia must carry and provide proof of injury and liability insurance to participate in the tournament. The tournament committee and Soccer Nova Scotia are not liable for any injury to any participants in the tournament on or off the field.

A player may be registered only on one team for the tournament. Unlimited call-ups are permitted in the tournament.

2. **Rosters:** Team rosters are limited to 27 players.
3. **Weather:** The tournament committee reserves the right to shorten the length of any game as a result of deteriorating weather conditions.

Should a game be terminated due to weather conditions after the conclusion of the first half of play, the game will be considered complete and the score of the game shall stand.

4. **Forfeits:** For 11 aside play, a team not having 7 players to start will forfeit the game by a score of 3-0.

If a team forfeits its last game of the round robin, all games played by that team in the tournament shall be eliminated and all of their opponents will receive a 1-0 victory and 3 points.

5. **Standings:** For U13A and above, teams are awarded 3 points for a win and 1 point for a draw. For teams below U13A, no standings are kept.

If at the end of round robin play there is a tie, the following tie breaking rules are in effect:

- a. The winner of the game(s) between the teams
- b. The team with the highest goal difference
- c. The team with the most goals (limited to 7 per game)
- d. The team with the least goals against
- e. Coin toss

6. **Playoff Games:** Playoff games will be played as follows:

- a) In a division of 4 teams
 - Gold medal – 1 v 2
 - Bronze medal – 3 v 4
- b) In a division of 5 teams
 - Gold medal – 1 v 2
 - Bronze medal – awarded to 3rd place finisher
 - Placement game – 3 v 4
- c) In a division of 6 teams
 - Gold medal – 1 v 2
 - Bronze medal – 3 v 4
 - Placement game – 5 v 6

7. **General:**

- a) **Conduct at Tournament:** All teams are to conduct themselves appropriately and in the spirit of the game.
- b) **Substitutions:** Unlimited
- c) **Protests:** All protests must be received within an hour of the conclusion of the game and must be accompanied by a \$100 cash payment.
- d) **Referees:** All games will be officiated by 3 officials (1 referee plus 2 assistant referees)
- e) **Retreat Line:** Retreat lines apply to all U12 games.
- f) **Cautions/Ejections:**
 - Cautions – If a player receives two (2) cautions during a game there will be a one game suspension beyond the game in which they receive the card.
 - Ejections – if a player or team official is ejected from a game, an automatic one game suspension will be levied against the offending individual. The suspension will be served during the teams' next scheduled game. The tournament committee reserves the right to impose a longer suspension if deemed necessary.
- g) **Duration of Games:**
 - U12AA, U12A and U12B – 2 halves of 25 minutes
 - U13A – 2 halves of 25 minutes
 - U15A – 2 halves of 25 minutes

We wish all teams good luck and hope you have fun!