



2020 QC U9 FUN FESTIVAL RULES

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I. General

- It is the responsibility of team officials to familiarize themselves completely with the following festival procedures and to govern themselves accordingly.
- The QC U9 FUN Festival will run from February 21-23, 2020.
- **All teams must be prepared to play on Friday at 5:00pm.**
- Each team is guaranteed four (4) games.
- All players must be registered with their local District/Provincial/State Association. All out of province or out of country teams must have a travel permit. SSA sanctioning requires that teams travelling from out of province must submit their travel permits prior to the festival.
- **The festival will be developmentally appropriate with no scores, standings, playoffs, championships or medals.**
- Teams must leave the field and team bench areas clean after each game.
- Game balls will be provided by the festival host.
- On-field warm-up time will be minimal.
- There will be an admission charge of \$5.00 per day or \$10.00 for the weekend. Please note, there is no ATM onsite.
- Parents/spectators are not allowed on the turf.

II. Player Cards and Registration Process

- All teams will be required to check-in at the festival headquarters located at the QC Facility – 1560A McDonald Street, Regina, SK (further information will be provided to teams after registration has concluded).
- All players must have player cards from their member organization or some other picture identification along with confirmation of registration from their member organization.
- Player cards/identification are to be presented to the festival coordinator at registration.
- A player can only be on one team's roster.
- Playing unregistered players will result in game defaults and your Provincial/State Association will be notified.

III. Age Divisions and Fee

- Under 9 Boys and Girls - Born in 2011 & 2012 – Open Division - \$250 per team.

IV. Game Format

- U9 – 5v5 (including goalkeepers).

V. Roster Size

- Maximum of 10 players.



VI. Field and Goal Dimensions

- All games are played on a FIFA approved turf playing surface. The field dimensions are 31 yards x 17 yards (half field at the QC Facility).
- The dimensions of the goals are approximately seven (7) feet by ten (10) feet.

VII. Length of Games

- Two (2) twenty-five (25) minute halves.
- Half time will be 5 minutes in duration. All teams must be prepared to start play at their scheduled time. Any delay will reduce the total game time.

VIII. Throw-ins

- Proper throw-ins will be used to restart the game when the ball goes out on the touchline.

IX. Substitutions

- There is no limit to the number of substitutions that may be made during a game.
- Substitutions may be made on the fly.

X. Offsides

- There will be no offsides.

XI. Retreat Line Procedures

- The retreat line will be set at half and will be clearly marked.
- The retreat line will come into play when the ball has gone out for a goal kick or when the goalkeeper has the ball in his/her arms.
- All opponents must be behind the retreat line and cannot cross the retreat line until the ball:
 - Is touched by a player of the team taking the goal kick; or
 - Leaves the field of play; or
 - Goes over the retreat line.

XII. 4-Up/1-down

- If a team is losing by four (4) goals, they can add a player to gain a numerical advantage until the scoring gap is closed.

XIII. Player Equipment

- Equipment shall consist of a jersey, shorts, socks, shin pads and footwear. All players on the same team shall wear the same coloured shirts. Goalkeepers shall wear colours which are distinguishable from all other players and game leaders.
- Players must not wear equipment or anything which endangers themselves or other players including any kind of jewelry.

XIV. Game Facilitators

- There are no referees at the festival, instead game facilitators will be provided to promote the spirit of a fun festival/jamboree.



XV. Coaching Requirements

- All Saskatchewan based teams must have coaches who meet the coaching requirements outlined below:
 - All team personnel (coaches, assistant coaches, managers, gender representatives, trainers, or other bench personnel) who are present on the bench, must have completed Respect in Sport.
 - FUNdamentals and Making Ethical Decisions and/or Online Evaluation: Competitive Introduction.

XVI. Saskatchewan Laws

- Any person who defaces, destroys, steals or otherwise abuses any of the venues used will be expelled from the festival.

XVII. Protests

- No protests will be heard on any judgment calls by the game facilitator. All decisions by the game facilitator will be final.

XVIII. Inclement Weather

- The festival coordinator reserves the right to cancel the festival in whole or in part due to inclement weather and no refund will be issued. Individual games may also be cancelled outright, and no refund will be issued. Teams that are delayed by weather will not be refunded.

XIX. Refund and Cancellation Policy

- If for any reason your team must cancel, please inform the festival coordinator immediately by emailing: gcsoccertournaments@outlook.com.
- Teams that withdraw after the registration deadline of January 31, 2020 will forfeit their registration fee.
- Refunds prior to the final registration deadline will be in full, except for a \$50.00 Administration fee.
- If you do not inform us of your cancellation, we will expect your team at its first scheduled game.

XX. Questions

- If you have any questions, please contact us by email: gcsoccertournaments@outlook.com.