



# CALGARY WOMEN'S SOCCER ASSOCIATION

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## Over 30 Classics Major (O30CM):

### Old format:

- O30CM teams were inserted into Division 1 as 'guest teams' for the purposes of qualifying for O30CM provincials.
  - This was per the Alberta Soccer requirement that they compete at an equal level of play (O30CM is deemed equal to division 1).
- 'Guest team', meant that team(s):
  - Were not eligible for Division 1 provincials.
  - Were not subject to promotion or relegation from Division 1.
- Any player registered to an O30CM team was required to be 30 years of age or older.
- Any guest player playing up for an O30CM team was required to be 30 years or older.

## New Format (to be implemented in Outdoor 2023):

- O30CM teams are no longer classified as guest teams within their division. Current O30CM teams (Alliance and Tsunami Blues) have been grandfathered into their existing positions in the league.
- O30CM teams are subject to the same promotion and relegation rules as the other teams in their division(s).

### ELIGIBILITY

- Any team in Division 1 or Premier may declare for O30CM provincials.
  - The team must indicate to the CWSA at the time of registration their intent to declare for O30CM. A team that has declared for O30CM provincials will be identified on the CWSA website with 'O30CM' after their team name.
  - A team who declares for O30CM provincials is automatically opted out of contention for the Open provincials in their division.
  - An O30CM team may opt out of provincials per the CWSA's provincial opt out policy.
- An O30CM team must play a **minimum of 6 games** against equal (division 1) or higher level of competition with **ONLY** players aged 30 or older to be eligible for O30CM provincials.
  - If the team does not play the minimum 6 games they will be automatically opted out of provincials and will be fined in accordance with the CWSA's Provincial opt out policy.

### AGE RESTRICTIONS

- An O30CM team may roster any player aged 16+. Players aged 16-29 rostered to an O30CM team:
  - Can participate in league games vs. 'Open' teams.
  - Cannot participate in any game vs. another O30CM team.

- Are not eligible for O30CM provincials and will be removed from the roster on the provincial roster submission deadline.
- An O30CM team may use guest players aged 16+. Guest players aged 16 – 29 playing up for an O30CM team:
  - Can participate in league games vs. 'Open' teams.
  - Cannot participate in any game vs. another O30CM team.
- If a team plays an underage player (16-29) in an O30CM vs. O30CM game, they will forfeit the game.

#### **PROVINCIALS (Eligibility and Requirements)**

- See the 2023 Alberta Soccer Provincial Championship Rules
  - If an O30CM team does not meet the eligibility requirements for Provincials by the deadlines described in the Provincial Championship Rules, they will be automatically opted out of provincials and will be fined in accordance with the CWSA's Provincial opt out policy.

#### **DETERMINATION OF CWSA's O30CM REPRESENTATIVES**

##### **Outdoor 2023**

- The CWSA will declare two teams for Over 30 Classics Major Provincials.
- A single cup competition game will be scheduled between the two teams who have declared for Over 30 Classics Major to determine seeding and representatives Provincials.
  - Only players aged 30+ may participate.
  - A maximum of 4 guest players (aged 30+), per team may be used.
    - Guest players must be drawn from 11v11 teams in Division 2 or lower.
  - If the game is tied at the end of regulation, it will go straight to penalty kicks to determine a winner.
  - The winning team will be seeded in provincials as CWSA 1, and the losing team will be seeded as CWSA 2.
- The cost of the cup game will be shared equally among the participating Over 30 Classics Major teams. (*Cost = one artificial turf field booking (1.75 hours) + one Referee + two Assistant Referees.*)