

CWSA CALGARY CLASH TOURNAMENT 2023 RULES AND REGULATIONS

Location: The Calgary Soccer Centre – Outdoor Turf Fields

Dates: April 21-23, 2023

**IF NOT SPECIFICALLY NOTED TO THE CONTRARY,
CWSA/ASA/FIFA RULES SHALL APPLY**



8v8 RULES OF THE GAME

All matches will be played in accordance with FIFA Laws of the Game, except where noted below:

- Games will be played 8v8 (8 players on the field for each team, including the goalkeeper).
- Each game will consist of **two 30-minute halves**. Halftime shall be a maximum of 3 minutes.
- Substitutions are unlimited. Substitutes should be ready at the halfway line and are only permitted to enter the game during a stoppage in play with the permission of the referee.
- There is no stop-time.
- There are **NO OFFSIDES**.
- No restrictions on goalkeeper distribution.
- Throw-ins to be taken when the ball goes out of play on the sidelines.
- Corner kicks/goal kicks to be taken when the ball goes out of play on the end line.
- Free Kicks: Opposing players must be 5 yards from the ball, prior to the kick being taken.
- Red carded players should be instructed to leave the playing area immediately and are NOT to be replaced by another player – the offending team will play a player short for the remainder of the game.

GENERAL

- Teams will be placed together with other teams who have indicated the same or similar level of play. CWSA reserves the right to move teams to a different tier subject to the team's roster and division availability.
- Each team is required to have a minimum of five (5) players on the field at all times. If a team falls below the minimum, the game shall be abandoned, and this team shall forfeit the game.
- Game clocks will start at the scheduled time. If play does not commence within 5 minutes of the designated game start time due to one or both teams not being prepared to play (insufficient players, incomplete game sheet, lack of player cards, & being prepared to present players cards to official) the game shall be cancelled and the team(s) responsible noted on the game sheet.
- The CWSA reserves the right to change the game schedules. Changes will be posted to the CWSA website and will be emailed to the main team contact for affected teams.
- If team colours clash, the Home team will change to alternate jerseys/pinneys. Referee shall determine colour clash.
- The Home team will supply two (2) game balls.
- A District ID Card or a Government issued photo ID is required for all players and Team Officials and must be presented to the referee prior to each game.

ROSTERS

- Rosters are not to exceed 25 players, A maximum of 20 players may be dressed by each team per game.
- All teams must register at least 1 Team Official, who will be the main contact person for the team for the duration of the tournament.
- Players & Coaches are required to register themselves individually to their tournament team & sign the CWSA's online waivers by **Thursday, April 20, 2023**.
- Teams may only use players on their official tournament roster. All other players are ineligible.

ELIGIBILITY

- Players may only play for **ONE** team in the tournament.
- Any player or coach deemed to be "not in good standing" or who is currently serving a suspension with their local District/Association will not be eligible to participate in the tournament. Exceptions at the discretion of the CWSA Discipline Officer.

- All players must meet the minimum age requirements for their division at the time of play (16+ for open divisions, 30+ for over 30 divisions; 40+ for Over 40 divisions).
- Coaches/Team Managers must be a minimum of 18 years old.

The CWSA reserves the right to require proof of age from any participant.

GAME SHEETS

- Teams will print their own game sheets online from the CWSA's game sheet website.
- Game sheet login details and instructions will be sent to team officials by **March 19, 2023**.
- Teams are to bring ONE game sheet for each game.

GAME RESULTS/POINT SYSTEM

- A game must have been played for 40 minutes or longer for the result to stand
- Points will be awarded as follows: Win = 3 points; Tie = 1 point; Shutout = 1 point; Forfeiture = 5-0 win = 4 points
- Standings will be determined by total points at the completion of the round robin.
- The following criteria will be used to determine the final standings if two (2) or more teams have an equal number of points at the end of the round robin.
 - i. Results against each other (points first then goal difference),
 - ii. Greater goal difference overall,
 - iii. Most goals for,
 - iv. Best discipline record – (least amount of discipline points (Yellow Card = 1 point, Red Card = 3 points).
 - v. Coin toss or Penalty kicks as per FIFA Rules (choice to be determined by tournament coordinators).
- **There will be NO penalty kicks taken to break a tie.**

DISCIPLINE

- A player receiving their 3rd yellow card of the tournament will be required to miss their next scheduled game.
- A player who receives 2 yellow cards in the same game will be required to miss their next scheduled game.
- Any red card offence will result in a minimum 1 game suspension. **IT IS THE PLAYER'S RESPONSIBILITY TO CHECK WITH THE TOURNAMENT HEADQUARTERS TO CONFIRM THE NUMBER OF GAMES THEY ARE SUSPENDED FOR.** Should a player play a game where they were suspended, the opposition will receive an automatic 5-0 win.
- All discipline matters for the tournament will be administered by the tournament organizers, whose decisions are final.
- Suspensions received during tournament play will carry over into CWSA regular league games.

OTHER

- For any errors or omissions, please refer to the current CWSA Rules/Regulations or contact the CWSA Office/Tournament Coordinators.
- There will be **NO** refund for teams that withdraw after the registration deadline.