

# CWSA's ANNUAL KICKSTART TOURNAMENT 2023

## RULES

Location: **Calgary Soccer Centre**

Date: **October 17-20, 2023**



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

### 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 four (4) 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.
- 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 waivers using the CWSA's online registration system prior to participating.
- There is no deadline to register players to team rosters, however teams cannot exceed 25 players for the duration of the tournament and players cannot be released during the tournament.

### ELIGIBILITY

- Players may only play for **ONE** team in the tournament.
- Participants must be in good standing with their local district at the time of play.
- Any player or team official currently serving a suspension is ineligible to participate in the tournament.
- All players must be at least 16 years old at the time of the first game of the tournament.
  - For the Over 30 divisions, all players must be 30 years of age or older.
  - For the Over 40 divisions, all players must be 40 years of age or older.
- Coaches/Team Managers must be a minimum of 18 years old.

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

### GAMESHEETS

- 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 the week prior to the tournament.
- Teams are to bring ONE game sheet for each game.

### GAME RESULTS/POINT SYSTEM

- All games shall be 50 minutes (2 x 25-minute halves).
- For Finals (gold/silver; bronze/4<sup>th</sup>) - If the game is tied at the end of regulation time the determination of the final score will be conducted through penalty kicks as per FIFA Rules. Consolation games (5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> ; 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup>, etc.) tied at the end of regulation time will remain a draw.
- Points will be awarded as follows: Win = 3 points; Tie = 1 point; Shutout = 1 point; Default/Forfeiture = 4 points (5-0 win).
- 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).

## DISCIPLINE

- A player receiving their 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 may carry over into CWSA regular league games.

## PROTESTS

- No protest shall be allowed concerning the referee and their decision.
- Protests must be made in writing by the registered coach/manager accompanied by a \$50 fee and delivered to a Tournament Coordinator within one hour of completion of the game in question. A decision will be delivered within one hour of receipt of the protest.

## OTHER

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



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