

Northshore Recreational Soccer League Championship Tournament Rules

(LSA rules are followed with the following adjustments and clarifications.)

1. TOURNAMENT ADVANCEMENT

- a. Round robin game points
- b. The team with the highest POINT SYSTEM score will be the bracket winner unless a tiebreaker is used. The point system is as follows:

POINT SYSTEM (Round Robin Play)

Win: 3 Points

Tie: 1 Point

Loss: 0 Points

Forfeited Game Points

A team which forfeits any game in the round robin play shall have that game recorded as 0-3 loss.

OVERTIME AND TIES

There will be no overtime play in bracket (round robin) games. In the semi final and final games there will be two (2) five (5) minute overtime periods played in their entirety and, if then no winner, a FIFA shootout. If after completion of bracket competition, two or more teams are tied in the number of points awarded, the final standing in bracket play and/or playoffs will be decided in the following non-repeating order:

- a. Winner of head-to-head competition during bracket and playoff competition.
- b. Highest goal difference (goals for minus goals against, max differential of 3 goals)
- c. Fewest total goals allowed in all games.
- d. FIFA kicks from the penalty spot.
- e. Toss of a coin.

2. DURATION OF GAME

	<u>Bracket and Play-Off Games</u>	<u>Play-Off Games</u>
U-12	2-30 minute halves 5 min half time	2 x 5 min OT, FIFA Kicks for Final
U-14	2-35 minute halves 5 min half time	not applicable

3. ADDITIONAL RULES

- a. Each player shall play a minimum of half the game (50% play rule).
- b. U12 will play 8v8, U14 will play 11v11.
- c. Substitution for both teams is unlimited by both teams at any stoppage with permission of the referee.
- d. CYSA has given their referees the authority to send off players, coaches, and spectators. Sent-off players will remain with their team until the completion of the game unless the referee requests removal from the field. Players may be sent from the premises with their parent or confined to the referee administration area under the supervision of a field marshal. A one game suspension will be enforced for violations prior to the Finals for players, coaches, and parents.
- e. A team will forfeit the game if it is not on the assigned field ready to play within ten (10) minutes of the scheduled start of the game.
- f. A team must have at least seven (7) players to start an 11v11 game, six (6) for an 8v8 game
- g. Each team must have alternate jerseys or contrasting pull-overs available. In the event of a jersey conflict as determined by the referee, the home team must change jerseys. The home team is listed first on the tournament schedule.
- h. Tournament Trophies will be presented to 1st and 2nd place teams.
- i. The Covington Youth Soccer Association does not permit smoking, drinking of alcohol, foul language and pets on the facility. Sportsmanship is encouraged above all else. Good luck and enjoy your weekend!