

XXIV Annual Ozone Invitational Soccer Tournament Tournament/Jamboree Rules

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

1. TOURNAMENT ADVANCEMENT

a. Round robin game points

b. Teams will be ranked using the team questionnaire and placed into brackets. Each team in the bracket will play either all other teams in that bracket or will play cross bracket if not enough teams exist in it's bracket (round robin).

c. The team with the highest POINT SYSTEM score (not applicable for Jamboree) will be the bracket winner unless a tiebreaker is used. Age groups with 4 through 8 teams will advance directly to the Finals. Age groups with 9 or more teams will advance through semi-finals to finals. The point system is as follows:

POINT SYSTEM (Round Robin Play)

Win: 3 Points

Tie: 1 Point

Loss: 0 Points

d. Variation from above System

Age groups with 9 teams will play 2 bracket games and 8 will advance to semi-finals on Sunday. The ninth team will not play a third game on Sunday, but will be refunded \$50. There will be an effort made to avoid matching teams on Sunday morning who met on Saturday. Four teams with the most points will meet in the semi-final round as follows: 1st v 4th and 2nd v 3rd. (This semi-final format will be followed without concern for whether teams have previously met.) Age groups with 6 teams will play cross bracket.

e. Forfeited Game Points: A team which forfeits a game in the round robin play shall have the score recorded as a 0-3 loss.

f. OVERTIME AND TIES

There will be no overtime play in bracket (round robin) games. In the 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 Semi & Final
U-14	2-30 minute halves 5 min half time	2 x 5 min OT, FIFA Kicks for Semi & Final
U-10	2-25 minute halves 5 min half time	not applicable

3. ADDITIONAL RULES

- a. In brackets created only for recreational teams, each player shall play a minimum of half the game. Brackets with Division 1 teams are not restricted by the 50% play rule.
- b. Substitution for both teams is permitted prior to goal kick, after a goal, after an injury, and at half time with the permission of the referee. Substitution on a throw-in allowed only for the possession team. Substitution when play stopped for a caution will only be only for the cautioned player.
- c. 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.
- d. A team will forfeit the game if it is not on the assigned field ready to play within five (5) minutes of the scheduled start of the game. A team must have at least seven (7) players to start an 11v11 (U13/14 game, six (6) for an 8v8 game (U11/12), and 5 for a 6v6 game (U10).
- e. 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.
- f. Tournament Awards will be presented to 1st and 2nd place teams. There will be no rankings declared for the U10 jamboree.

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!