

TOURNAMENT RULES

FIFA Rules Apply if Not Modified Below

EVENT NAME: 2017 Missile-Toe 5v5 Tournament

EVENT DATE: Saturday, December 16

LOCATION: Farm League Park

TOURNAMENT WEBSITE: www.texanssoccer.com & www.challengesoccer.com

DEADLINE TO REGISTER: December 7

ENTRY FEE: \$210

AGE GROUPS/FORMATS OF PLAY

U7-U14 Boys & Girls | 5v5 (4 plus a GK) | Minimum of 4 games

NUMBER OF PLAYERS: Eight is the maximum number of players on a 5v5 team. 4 field players + goalkeeper. Substitutes may occur at any dead ball situation, but players must get the referee's attention and enter and exit at the half-field mark only.

EQUIPMENT: All players must wear shin guards. Any player without shin guards will not be permitted to play.

FIELD DIMENSIONS: 45 yards x 30 yards for 5v5 & penalty spot is located at 8 yard arc. *dimensions will be as close to this as possible.

GOAL BOX: 10x20

GAME DURATION: The game will consist of two 12 minute halves separated by a 2 minute halftime period OR the first team to reach 10 goals, whichever comes first. Games tied after regulation play shall end in a tie, except for Playoffs which will be a 3 minute Golden Goal period followed by a Shootout.

BRACKETS:

4 Team Brackets: Teams play round-robin format with top 2 point getters advancing to finals.

6 Team Brackets: Two brackets of 3 teams. All games are cross-over games and top 2 point getters regardless of bracket advance to finals.

8 Team Brackets: Two brackets of 4 teams. Teams play all teams in their bracket of 4. Top 2 point getters in each bracket advance to finals.

SCORING: Games will be scored as follows:

6 points for a win

3 point for a tie

0 points for a loss

1 point for a shutout

1 point for each goal (up to a maximum of 5 points)

TIEBREAKERS: In pool play, ties between three or more teams will be broken by;

1. Head to head results between tied teams
2. Goal differential
3. Most goals for
4. Least goals against
5. Shootout

OFFSIDES: There is NO offsides & no slide tackling

FIVE YARD RULE: In all dead ball situations, defending players must stand at least 5 yards away from the ball. If the defensive player's goal area is closer than 5 yards, the ball will be placed 5 yards from the goal area.

KICK-INS: The ball will be kicked into play from the sideline. No throw-ins. Cannot score directly from kick-in.

INDIRECT KICKS: All dead ball kicks (free kicks, kick-offs) are indirect with the exception to corner and penalty kicks.

GOAL KICKS: Can be taken from any point on the end line, and not in the goal box area. The ball cannot pass the half way line without either first touching a player on the field. The ball must be kicked into play; it cannot be dribbled in to play by the goalkeeper. Cannot score directly from the goal kick.

PENALTY KICKS: If a penalty kick is awarded by the referee, i.e. because a scoring opportunity was nullified by the infraction. It is a direct kick taken from 8 yards out with all players behind the half-field line. If a goal is not scored, the defense obtains possession with a goal kick. Penalty kicks are not live balls

CAN A GOAL BE SCORED FROM ANYWHERE ON THE FIELD?

NO, goals must be last touched (by either team) in the OFFENSIVE half of the field only. On a kickoff, the ball is not considered in the offensive half of the field. The ball must be completely on the offensive half and must roll over the mid-line in order to be shot into the goal.

FORFEITS: A forfeit shall be scored as 5-0.

WHO CAN PLAY IN THE TOURNAMENT?

Anyone can play as long as they are registered with either US Youth Soccer or US Club Soccer.

HOW DO I KNOW WHICH AGE BRACKET TO ENTER MY TEAM?

Teams are registered by the birth year of the oldest player on the team. See age chart below.

U7 January 1, 2011 – December 31, 2011

U8 January 1, 2010 – December 31, 2010

U9 January 1, 2009 – December 31, 2009

U10 January 1, 2008 – December 31, 2008

U11 January 1, 2007 – December 31, 2007

U12 January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006

U13 January 1, 2005 – December 31, 2005

U14 January 1, 2004 – December 31, 2004

DOES MY TEAM NEED TO CHECK-IN ON SATURDAY MORNING?

Yes, all teams must check-in one hour before their first game on Saturday morning. Please bring a roster, player cards and medical releases for all players on your team. Please note, all players must be registered under the same national organization. Either all players are US Club Soccer registered/carded players or all players are US Youth Soccer registered/carded players.

ARE NUMBERED JERSEYS REQUIRED?

No, but all players must wear the same color team shirts/jerseys during play. If both teams are wearing the same color, the HOME team must change to their alternate shirt/jersey.

WHAT IS THE REFUND POLICY?

We do not offer refunds to teams that pull out after the schedule has been posted. In the event of inclement weather that requires us to cancel the tournament before it starts a refund, less an \$75 administration fee will be given. No refunds will be given after the tournament starts.

SPORTSMANSHIP: Players, coaches and spectators are expected to act in the nature of good sportsmanship at all times. Abuse of the referees will not be tolerated. Any instance of such conduct will disqualify the responsible team from the event.

OTHER: NO PETS OF ANY KIND ARE ALLOWED AT THE FARM LEAGUE (People with pets will be asked to leave).