

Tiamo Festival Tournament



TOURNAMENT STRUCTURE AND RULES SHEET

For Coaches/Officials/Convenors

TOURNAMENT INFORMATION, RULES AND SPECTATOR CODE

General Information:

1. Registration

Club Roma (main club house), Friday night from 6-8 p.m. or at least two hours before your first game. The following will be required at registration:

- completed team roster
- proof of date of birth/player cards

2. All players must be registered as travel recreational, select or all-star players with the participating club.

Three (3) guest players will be allowed. **Proof of status will be required from your local association.** (NO competitive players are allowed U8, U9, U10). Any violation of the above rules may result in dismissal from the tournament and the tournament fee will be forfeited.

3. The Tournament Committee and Club Roma will not be responsible for any expenses incurred by any team if the tournament is cancelled in whole or in part. Registration fees will be refunded if the tournament is cancelled prior to its commencement on July 24, 2010.

4. In the event of bad weather, the Tournament Committee has the right to shorten games or adjust the schedule to complete the balance of the schedule, recognizing it is also trying to accommodate teams with the best resolution.

5. The Tournament Committee reserves the right to decide on all matters pertaining to this event.

6. Recreational Club league teams are allowed to enter the tournament.

Tournament Rules

1. LAWS

All games will be played in accordance with the F.I.F.A. Laws of the Game as observed by the Ontario Soccer Association.

U8/U9/U10 Division Rules: Games will be played in accordance with the Niagara Region Rules for this age group. (See separate sheets).

2. HOME TEAM RESPONSIBILITIES

The first team listed on the schedule is the home team. **The home team will supply the game ball.** Where both teams' playing colours are similar, the home team will change.

3. GAME SHEETS

Both teams will complete their game sheet and hand it back to the referee prior to kick-off.

4. NUMBER OF PLAYERS

A team may register eighteen (18) players. Teams in mini-soccer may register fourteen (14).

A minimum of seven (7), [five (5) for mini-soccer] players at scheduled kick-off time constitutes a team in all games.

5. DURATION OF PLAY – MINI-SOCCER

Mini-soccer: 2 equal halves, the length of which will be 20 minutes. 5 minute half-time. Tied game will NOT go to extra time.

Semi-finals: 2 x 20 minute halves, 5 minute half-time. If tied Penalty kicks

Finals: 2 x 20 minute halves, 5 minute half-time. 2 x 10 minute halves extra time and penalty kicks in accordance with F.I.F.A. rules, if required.

Extra time is sudden-death – golden goal.

6. DURATION OF PLAY – ALL DIVISIONS EXCEPT U8/U9/U0

Preliminary rounds 2 x 25 minute halves, 5 minute half-time. Tied game will NOT go to extra time.

Semi-finals: 2 x 25 minute halves, 5 minute half-time. If tied Penalty kicks

Finals: 2 x 25 minute halves, 5 minute half-time. 2 x 10 minute halves extra time and penalty kicks in accordance with F.I.F.A. rules, if required.

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7. POINT SYSTEM

3 points for a win

1 point for a tie

½ point for a shut out

8. DETERMINATION OF DIVISION LEADERS

Division leaders will be determined by the following criteria, in order:

1. Most points
2. Performance head-to-head
3. Goal difference
4. Goals against
5. Goals for
6. Penalty shots (as per F.I.F.A. rules)

9. SUBSTITUTIONS

Unlimited substitution is permitted during a game, but may only be made at the following stoppages of play:

- when a goal is scored
- at a goal kick
- at the beginning of the second half
- at the beginning of the first or second half of extra time
- for an injured player at the referee's discretion
- on own throw-in

10. COACHING

Coaches must stay within the technical area that extends one yard either side of the team bench and one yard for the side line. Coaching outside of this area will not be permitted. Only team officials are allowed in this area. Team officials are reminded that they are not allowed on the field of play without the referee's permission.

Parents and other fans are not allowed in this area and must remain on the opposite side of the field from the players' benches. This rule will be strictly enforced. No exceptions.

11. PROTESTS

All protests must be in writing within one (1) hour of completion of the game in question and must be accompanied by a fee of \$50 cash, refundable if the protest is successful. Protests regarding a referee's decision will not be heard.

12. FAILURE TO SHOW

Any team failing to show for a scheduled game will result in dismissal from the tournament and the tournament fee forfeited. A result of 1-0 will be recorded in favour of the team that should have played the team failing to show.

13. DISCIPLINARY ACTION

A player receiving two (2) yellow cards during the tournament will be suspended from the next game.

A player receiving a red card will be suspended from the next game.

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The referee's jurisdiction regarding cautions and ejections shall be extended to cover all the officials who will be subject to the same disciplinary action as players. Coaches will be held responsible for the behaviour of all spectators in their party.

Fair Play Code for Spectators

1. I will remember that children play sports for their enjoyment and development, not for my entertainment.
2. I will not have unrealistic expectations. I will encourage participants to do the same.
3. I will respect the officials' decisions, and I will encourage the participants to do the same.
4. I will never ridicule an athlete for making a mistake during a competition. I will give positive comments that motivate and encourage continued effort.
5. I will condemn the use of violence in any form and will express my disapproval in an appropriate manner to coaches and officials.
6. I will show respect for my team's opponents; without them there would be no game.
7. I will not use bad language, nor will I harass athletes, coaches, officials or other spectators.

RULES FOR MINI-SOCCER AS PER THE NYSL

1. The ball shall be a size 4. **Home team is responsible for providing the ball.**

2. Number of Players: teams consisting of not more than seven (7) players, one of whom shall be the goalkeeper.

- (a) A maximum of fourteen (14) players can be dressed for a game.
- (b) Unlimited substitution shall be allowed.
- (c) Substitution shall be allowed at stoppages, under the control of the referee.
- (d) Both teams must have at least five (5) players to start the game.
- (e) The game should not continue if a team has less than five (5) players.
- (f) Players ejected by the referee will not be replaced.
- (g) Ejected players must not take any further part in the game.

3. Equipment:

- a. Players shall not wear anything that endangers themselves or other players.
- b. Basic compulsory equipment shall consist of shorts, socks, shinguards, footwear, and a numbered shirt.
- c. Goalkeepers must wear colours that are distinguishable from all outfield players and the referee.
- d. A player who is asked to leave the field because of defective or dangerous equipment may not re-enter the field of play until the referee is satisfied that the equipment is permissible.

4. Ball In and Out of Play:

a. Ball is OUT of play:

- when the whole of the ball has crossed the goal line, or touch line, whether on the ground or in the air.
- When the play has been stopped by the referee.

b. Ball is IN play:

- when it rebounds into play from a goal-post, a cross-bar, or a corner flag post, or the referee, and remains in the field of play.

5. Method of Scoring:

- (a) A goal is scored when the whole of the ball has crossed over the goal-line, between the goal-posts and under the cross-bar, provided it has not been thrown, carried, or intentionally propelled by hand or arm, by a player of the attacking team, except by a goalkeeper from within his own penalty area.
- (b) The referee shall be the sole judge as to whether or not a goal has been scored.
- (c) During the course of play, should any outside agent prevent the ball from passing into the goal or assist the ball into the goal, play shall be stopped. The referee shall restart the game by dropping the ball.

6. As per the current OSA rules, the No-offsides rule will be in effect.

7. Fouls and Misconducts:

A player who, in the opinion of the referee, intentionally commits any of the following offences, shall be penalized

By the awarding of a free-kick to the opposing team.

- spits at an opponent
- kicks or attempts to trip an opponent
- jumps at an opponent
- charges an opponent
- strikes or attempts to strike an opponent
- holds an opponent
- pushes an opponent
- handles the ball deliberately, (except a goalkeeper from within his own penalty area)

· tackles an opponent to gain possession of the ball, making contact with the opponent before touching the ball

Should a player commit one of the above offences within his own penalty-area, a Penalty kick shall be awarded.

8. Free Kicks:

(a) For any infringement of the mini-soccer rules when the ball is in play, the referee may award a free-kick to the non-offending team. The free-kick shall be taken from the place where the infringement occurred, unless the free-kick is awarded to the attacking team within its opponents' penalty area. In this case, the penalty-kick shall be taken from the penalty area.

(b) At the taking of a free-kick, the ball shall be stationary and all opponents shall be not less than six (6) yards

from the ball until it has been kicked. The ball shall be in play when it is kicked and moved.

(c) A player taking a free-kick within his own penalty-area shall kick the ball into play beyond the penalty area. The ball shall be in play when it has been kicked and moved and has passed outside the penalty-area. All opponents shall be outside the penalty-area and not less than six (6) yards from the ball until it has been kicked. For any infringement of this rule, the free-kick shall be re-taken.

(d) A player taking a free-kick shall not play or touch the ball a second time until it has been played or touched by another player. For any infringement of this rule, a free-kick shall be awarded to the opposing team.

(e) A GOAL MAY BE SCORED FROM A FREE-KICK.

9. Penalty Kicks:

(a) A penalty-kick shall be taken from the penalty-mark. All players, with the exception of the defending goalkeeper and the player taking the kick, shall be outside the penalty-area but within the field of play, not less than six (6) yards from the ball until it has been kicked.

(b) The goalkeeper shall remain on his own goal-line facing the kicker, and between the goal-posts, until the ball has been kicked.

(c) The player taking the penalty-kick must kick the ball forward. The ball shall be in play when the ball is kicked and moved forward. The player shall not play or touch the ball a second time until it has been played or touched by another player.

(d) If necessary, the time of play shall be extended to allow a penalty-kick to be taken.

For any infringement of this rule:

(a) by a member of the defending team: the kick shall be re-taken if a goal has not been scored.

(b) By a member of the attacking team: if a goal is scored it shall be disallowed and a free-kick awarded to the defending team, to be taken from the place where the infringement occurred.

(c) By a member of both teams: the kick shall be re-taken whether a goal has been scored or not.

(d) If, after the kick has been taken, the ball or the goalkeeper is interfered with by an outside agent, the kick shall be re-taken.

10. Throw-In:

(a) When the whole of the ball has crossed the touch-line, either on the ground or in the air, the ball shall be thrown in from the point where it left the field of play, by a member of the team opposing that of the player who last played or touched it.

(b) The player taking the throw-in shall face the field of play and throw the ball from on or behind the touchline.

The ball will be in play immediately after it enters the field of play.

(c) If the player taking the throw-in plays or touches the ball a second time before it has been played or touched by another player, throw-in shall be awarded to the opposing team.

(d) At the taking of a throw-in all opponents must be at least two (2) yards from the ball.

(e) A GOAL MAY NOT BE SCORED DIRECTLY FROM A THROW-IN.

11. Goal-Kick:

(a) When the whole of the ball has crossed the goal-line, either on the ground or in the air, excluding that portion between the goal-posts, having been played or touched by a member of the attacking team, a goalkick shall be awarded to the defending team. The ball shall be kicked into play from any point within the goal area by a player of the defending team.

(b) At the taking of a goal-kick, all opponents shall be outside the penalty-area until it has been kicked into play. The ball shall be in play when it has traveled directly beyond the penalty-area.

(c) If the player taking the goal-kick plays or touches the ball a second time before it has been played or touched by another player, a free-kick shall be awarded to the opposing team.

(d) A GOAL MAY BE SCORED DIRECTLY FROM A GOAL-KICK.

12. Corner Kicks:

(a) When the whole of the ball has crossed the goal-line, whether on the ground or in the air, excluding that portion between the goal-posts, having last been played or touched by a member of the defending team, a corner kick shall be awarded to the attacking team.

(b) The corner kick shall be taken from within the corner-arc nearest to where the ball crossed the goal-line. All opponents shall not be less than six (6) yards from the ball until it has been kicked. The ball is in play when it is kicked and moves.

(c) A GOAL MAY BE SCORED DIRECTLY FROM A CORNER KICK.

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