



2012 BURLINGTON BAYHAWKS CHALLENGE

July 14/15, 2012

Tournament Rules

General Information

This tournament is open to U11 to U16 Boys and Girls Competitive Teams who play in the SRSL Premier division or lower or the equivalent.

It is the responsibility of each team's coach or manager to become aware of any schedule changes, or playoff designations and communicate them to the rest of their players. Coaches/managers should check with tournament headquarters, or field conveners, periodically for any changes or updates, especially at the end of the day and at the beginning of each day. Unless your scheduled field is not in use, warm ups should only be using adjacent field space. Teams must be prepared to play immediately following the previous game that has ended.

Please ensure that you have read all rules and policies of our tournament prior to registering.

1. Registration

All teams must have the following:

- All players must be registered with their Provincial/State/National Association as applicable.
- A fully completed Tournament Team Roster Form.
- All players and teams must have proof of current registration with their Provincial, State or National organization.

Ontario Teams:

- Authorized OSA player books.

- For teams outside of the Peel Halton District, an authorized Permission to Travel Form from their District Association.

Teams Outside of Ontario:

- Authorized permission to travel from their Provincial/State/National Association as applicable.
- Proof of Medical for all players and coaching staff.
- Teams must show proof of liability insurance coverage.
- Player proof of age, authorized by their governing organization -authorized registration books/cards from their Provincial/State/National Association as applicable.

PROOF OF AGE ELIGIBILITY:

All teams must present player and coaching staff OSA booklets as proof of age and eligibility. All teams must complete the BYSC Tournament Official Team Roster Form and, must be presented at registration.

All players must have available with them, at the Tournament, their Provincial Player Registration Books. In the event this is requested and cannot be produced, that player will not be allowed to participate in any further games in the Tournament until it is produced.

Players must be registered properly with the Ontario Soccer Association or their application governing body. All players and teams are required to be currently registered with their district.

All players must be eligible to play in their age group based on their date of birth as of January 1st. All players must be registered as competitive players with the participating club.

Three (3) guest players will be allowed. Guest players must have their player books and an official temporary release signed by their home club. Team will be allowed to register a maximum of 18 players. The minimum number of players to start and continue a game is seven.

AGES AND ELIGIBILITY:

Open to Competitive Teams with players born on or after January 1st in the following years:

Under 11 - 2001	Under 12 - 2000
Under 13 - 1999	Under 14 - 1998
Under 15 - 1997	Under 16 - 1996

2. Medical Assistance

All teams should be properly equipped with appropriate first-aid/injury treatment equipment. Directions and phone numbers to local emergency services will be provided in all coaches' packages.

All out-of-province players and teams must have insurance coverage.

3. Team Travel

It is a requirement that all out-of-district players and teams have permission to travel and must provide the appropriate paperwork to the Tournament Director.

Playing Rules

1. LAWS OF THE GAME:

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

2. Home Team Responsibilities

The home team (the first one listed on the schedule) will be responsible for supplying the game ball. The home team will be responsible for changing uniforms if there is a conflict in uniform colours.

3. Game Sheets

Both teams must submit their completed game sheets to the referee prior to kickoff.

4. SUBSTITUTIONS:

No limit to the number of substitutions to be made, but only at the following times, and upon prior approval of the referee.

- After a goal by either team.
- At a goal kick by either team.
- At the beginning of the second half, or the first and second over-time period.
- On a team's own throw-in.
- At the referee's discretion for injury.
- No substitution will be allowed for any player ordered from the field by a referee.

5. REFEREES REPORT:

The referee will forward his official written game report to the FIELD CONVENOR within 1 hour of the completion of the game.

6. PROTESTS:

Protests may be made by the Coach or Manager, and must be submitted in writing within 1 hour of the completion of the game in question and must be accompanied by a fee of \$50.00, refundable if the protest is successful. **Protests regarding referee's decision will not be heard.** All decisions made by the Tournament/Protest Committee are final.

7. DURATION OF GAME & BALL SIZES:

AGE	DURATION OF HALVES			BALL
GROUP	PRELIMINARY	SEMI-FINALS	FINALS	SIZE
U11-U12	25 Minutes	30 Minutes	30 Minutes	Size 4
U13	25 Minutes	30 Minutes	30 Minutes	Size 5
U14 - 15	25 Minutes	30 Minutes	30 Minutes	Size 5
U16	25 Minutes	30 Minutes	30 Minutes	Size 5
All age groups		Halftime: 5 minutes Extra time --- 2 x 5 Minute halves Golden Goal – if tied, FIFA penalty kicks		

8. DETERMINING DIVISION WINNERS AND WILD CARD TEAMS:

Standings will be determined by points:

Win = 3 points, Tie = 1 point, loss = 0, **Shutout = ½ point**. The shutout half point does not apply to forfeited games (2-0) and scoreless games (0-0); these are not considered shutouts.

In the event that teams are tied in points, the standings will be determined by the following:

- (a) Results of head to head competition (does not apply if 3 or more teams tied).
- (b) Team with the most wins.
- (c) Total goals scored, minus goals against, calculated for each game (max. of +5 OR -5 per game.)
- (d) Least number of goals allowed
- (e) Most number of goals scored (maximum of 5 per game allowed)
- (f) Most shutouts
- (g) Most games scoring a goal
- (h) Knockout competition according to FIFA penalty kick procedure.

9. Failure to Show

Any team failing to show for a scheduled game will result in dismissal from the tournament and the tournament fee will be forfeited. A result of 2 – 0 will be recorded in favour of the team who should have played the team failing to show. The BYCS Club or Tournament Committee shall not be held responsible for the withdrawal of any teams.

10. Disciplinary Action

The OSA Published Rules on Discipline at Tournaments will apply. (Table 1)
 Standard OSA penalties for player misconduct will apply.

Coaches will be held responsible for the behaviour of all spectators in their party, and if deemed necessary forfeiture of a game may result if proper decorum is not maintained.

If the referee terminates a game for misconduct by the coach, players and/or spectators, the referee will record the score, minutes into the match, explanation, and the names and/or jersey numbers of those people responsible. Representatives for each team must contact headquarters immediately. Any game, which has reached the ½ point, is considered FINAL. The tournament committee will determine disciplinary action and penalties, as well as the game outcome. See list and chart below for OSA Disciplinary Rules.

- a) The OSA Published Rules on Discipline at Tournaments will apply with the following exception:

Discipline authority is delegated for player misconduct only. Any misconduct reports for coaches, other team officials or game officials shall be submitted to PHSA within 3 days of the tournament's completion.

- b) Standard OSA penalties for player misconduct will apply in all Tournaments and Tournament Discipline Rules must comply with this requirement. (NOTE: This is the same as in Ontario Court Tournament Rounds -- See Table 1 attached).

The Tournament Discipline Committee will use Discipline by Review (and Discipline by Hearing where necessary or requested).

Tournament Discipline Rules

Tournament Discipline Rules must state that:

- Standard OSA penalties for Player Misconduct will apply
- Tournament Discipline is done by DBR unless a Hearing is requested
- Player suspensions will be in accordance with standard OSA penalties
- Unserved games will be transferred to league play by PHSA
- Any player wishing to request a hearing (DBH) for the unserved games must submit a request before the end of the following week for a Discipline Hearing at PHSA

Discipline Carryover

- a) PHSA will convene a Discipline Hearing for all Special Incident Reports and Dismissal Reports for Coaches, other Team Officials and Game Officials. Reports involving individuals from other Districts, Provinces or Countries will be forwarded by PHSA to the appropriate authority, as required.

PHSA will use Discipline by Review on all Dismissal Reports for Players who were unable to serve the full Mandatory Minimum sentence at the Tournament. PHSA will advise the player's club and regular league of any additional suspension imposed as a result of Tournament discipline carryover.

Any player (player's club) wishing to request Discipline by Hearing **MUST** do so before the end of the week following the tournament.

- b) In the event (based on the reports which it reviews) the PHSA Discipline Review Committee determines that additional misconduct has occurred or that a Serious Foul Play or Violent Conduct misconduct warrants more than the mandatory suspension, it shall advise the Player by way of a Discipline Hearing Notice that additional charges have been laid and a Hearing has been scheduled.

Mandatory Suspensions for all games played n PHSA tournaments

Infraction	Penalty
Dismissed for receiving a second caution in the same game (neither offence directed a game official)	1 game suspension
Dismissed for receiving a second caution in the same game (either office directed at a game official)	2 game suspension
Dismissed for offensive, insulting or abusive language (not directed at a game official)	1 game suspension
Dismissed for offensive, insulting or abusive language (directed at a game official)	3 game suspension
Dismissed for denying an opponent a goal or an obvious goal scoring opportunity by deliberately handing the ball	1 game suspension
Dismissed for denying an opponent a goal or an obvious goal scoring opportunity to an opponent moving towards the player's goal by an offense punishable by a free kick or penalty kick	2 game suspension
Dismissed for serious foul play	2 game suspension
Dismissed for violent conduct	3 game suspension
Dismissed for spitting at an opponent or any other person	4 game suspension

Team coaches and managers are expected to inform all members of their party of the following:

Fair Play Code for Spectators

1. I will remember that children play sports for THEIR enjoyment. They are not playing to entertain me.
2. I will not have unrealistic expectations. I will encourage participants to do the same.
3. I will respect the official's decision; I will encourage the participant's 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.
6. I will show respect for my team's opponents, because without them there would be no game.
7. I will avoid the use of inappropriate language, nor will I harass athletes, coaches, officials or other spectators.

TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE

- A. The Tournament Committee will be responsible for team acceptances, tournament format, game scheduling, and assignment of referees.
- B. The Tournament Committee will **not** be responsible for any expenses incurred by any team if the tournament is canceled in whole or in part.
- C. The Tournament Committee will keep scores at the tournament headquarters (Sherwood Park) or any field sites they designate with updated standings as available.
- D. In the event of inclement weather the Tournament Committee will have the authority to: relocate or reschedule games, change the duration of games. It will also have the right to cancel any game in the qualifying round that has no bearing in deciding the qualifiers for the playoff round. Any game abandoned after the first half (except playoff games) due to inclement weather, will be considered official and complete.
- E. The Tournament Committee reserves the right to decide on all matters pertaining to the tournament.