FC DALLAS SUMMER SHOWDOWN TOURNAMENT RULES

1. All teams must be currently registered with a USASA Outdoor league or association. Any team registered from a state association other than North Texas Soccer is required to have a valid travel permit from the home association. All players must be currently registered with USASA Outdoor, must have a current USASA/State issued outdoor ID card, and be in good-standing.

2. Rosters are limited to no more than twenty-five (25) players. A maximum of five (5) guest players will be allowed for each team. Each guest player shall be currently USASA registered and in good-standing.

3. Each player is allowed to play on a maximum of one (1) gender-specific team (men’s or women’s) and one (1) coed team. There will be no special accommodations for scheduling, although efforts will be made to avoid scheduling conflicts.

4. In age-specific divisions, all players must be older than the required age limit at the first scheduled game of the tournament. EX. Over 30 divisions must have all players at 30 years old or older, including guest players.

5. Teams playing in the First or Premier Division of their home league will play in no less than the First division of the tournament. Players playing in the First or Premier Division of their home league shall not play as a guest on a team playing in a division lower than the First division of the tournament.

6. A player may not guest play on a different team if his/her home association team is participating in the tournament, unless permission is given from his/her home team in advance of team check-in.

7. Each team MUST report at the tournament registration at the published check-in time and location. The team representative must provide the final team roster and all ID cards at registration.

8. Players must always have proof of age and identity available at all times during the tournament. League ID cards or other forms of picture ID (DL, passport, etc.).

9. Teams will present their tournament roster and valid ID for all players present to the referee prior to the start of each game.

10. Each team shall provide a suitable game ball to the officials prior to the start of the game

11. Equipment: Nets & Flags will be provided by the tournament site. Each player is required to wear commercially manufactured shinguards for protection and must be covered entirely by the sock.

12. Each team must have numbered team jerseys with permanently affixed numbers. Goalkeepers shall have a jersey that distinguishes them from both teams; a jersey number is not required for the GK. There shall be no duplicate numbers for each team jersey. Each team shall have alternate jerseys or T-shirts available, and also shall have permanently affixed, non-duplicating numbers. Taped or hand-written will not be allowed. Violators will be removed from the field and not allowed back on the field of play until players’ equipment is corrected. Home Team is team listed first on schedule. Home Team will change jerseys if there is a color conflict.

13. A game shall be declared a forfeit if a team is not ready to play at the published time within five (5) minutes of the mini games and within ten (10) minutes of the full-length games. At half time the teams must be ready to resume play within five (5) minutes of the referee’s designation. All games are considered complete when the second half begins.
14. A game shall be declared a forfeit by the Cup & Games Committee or Tournament Committee if an ineligible player participates in a game. Any protest of ineligible player must be reported in writing, with a one hundred-dollar ($100.00) cashier check, money order or cash deposit, before the end of the game to the tournament field headquarters.

15. Teams will play Mini Games in preliminary round. Quarterfinal games will be considered Mini Games, unless otherwise specified. Semi-final and Final games will be full length. Half time will be 5 minutes.

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16. Brackets with 3 or 4 teams that play each other within the bracket, the team with the highest total points will advance from the bracket. Three team brackets that play crossover game with other three team brackets, the two (2) teams with the highest total points of the two (2) brackets will advance. Preliminary games may end in a tie. If Elimination games end in a tie, IFAB "kicks" from the penalty spot will be taken to determine the winner, with an exception to the Final. If Final games end in a tie, two (2) overtime halves will be played, and if the game is still tied at the end of the second overtime period, IFAB "kicks" from the penalty spot will be taken to determine the winner.

International scoring system for mini games will be as follows:
  a. 3 points for a win
  b. 1 points for a tie
  c. 0 points for a loss
  d. A forfeit game will be scored at a 3-0 win in calculating mini-games points for tiebreaker determination (3 points).

NTSSA tiebreaker system for mini games will be as follows:
If two or more teams are tied in points after their mini games are completed, the following tiebreaker procedures will be used to determine the team advancing:
  a. Head to Head game results - winner will advance.
  b. Goal differential - team with highest goal differential against opponents will advance (goals scored - goals against).
  c. Fewest goals allowed - team with fewest goals allowed will advance.
  d. Most number of "shut-outs" - team with most "shut-outs" will advance.
  e. Penalty kicks.

These tiebreaker procedures will be applied, in order, to the teams tied in points until one team is selected for advancement.

17. Each team must have a minimum of seven (7) players on the field to start the game. There must be a minimum of seven (7) to continue the game.

18. There will be free substitution, with the referee's consent, at any stoppage of play.

19. All referee in-game decisions are final. No protests will be allowed, except for ineligible player. Protest must be registered by procedures listed above.

20. Any team that forfeits the final game of pool play for any reason will be subject to disciplinary action including, but not limited to, North Texas probation or suspension and exclusion from future Adult Summer Showdown tournaments altogether. Each game in pool play is important and may determine the outcome of the pool for all participating teams.
21. Any send-offs should be reported to the Tournament Committee immediately following the game. Any player or coach sent-off (including receiving two cautions in the same game) shall automatically sit out the next played tournament game with their team (unless the send-off occurred in the last game of the tournament for that player or coach, in which case such player or coach would be required to sit out their next scheduled game played). If the send-off was for fighting, or if it is the player's second tournament send-off, the player will be suspended from the remainder of the tournament. Any player receiving three (3) cautions (yellow cards) in the tournament must sit out the next played tournament game with their team (unless the third caution occurred in the last game of the tournament for that player or coach, in which case such player or coach would be required to sit out their next scheduled game played). Any team responsible for a game being abandoned due to fighting or excessive misconduct will be removed from the tournament. The NTSSA Cup & Games A&D Committee has the right to hold a hearing and increase the suspension at its discretion.

COED RULES

A. No more than five (5) field players may be male at any given time during the match. No more than nine (9) female players at any time.

B. Slide tackling is not allowed. Referees shall award a caution to a player that issues a slide tackle and makes contact with an opponent. Referees shall warn a player that does not make contact. Goalkeepers may slide if, in the opinion of the referee, it is necessary to play the ball and no contact is made.

C. Goals scored by a male player will count as one (1) point. Goals scored by a female player will count at two (2) points, except penalty kicks that will count as one (1) point. In the case of a goal scored from a deflection off a defensive player, the gender of the offensive player last touching the ball will determine the point value of the goal. Any goal scored directly from a defensive player (own-goal) will be one (1) point.

22. The Chairman of Cup & Games, tournament director, or their designee, is empowered to make all decisions regarding the competition during the tournament.

23. The decision of the Chairman of Cup & Games or Tournament Director is final in all matters. No appeals will be allowed beyond that point.

24. In the event the referee or linesmen are missing from the field, report immediately to your Field Coordinator. In the event the linesman are not available, each team is required to provide a “club linesman”.

25. If a game is played into the second half but is stopped short of full time, other than acts on the part of one of the teams, the game shall be considered complete. Full-length games, if tied will be determined by the tiebreaker procedure.

26. In the event of inclement weather, format for tournament play and/or completion of the tournament will be determined by the tournament committee.

27. All scores shall be turned into the Field Coordinator or Field Marshall by the Referee.

28. Concussion Policy: The FCD Adult Summer Showdown will follow the North Texas Soccer concussion guidelines, which includes all potential head injuries being evaluated by the onsite Health Care Professional (HCP) designated by the tournament director. Only the designated HCP can give clearance to a player that has been evaluated for a concussion to return to the field.
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29. Any team that withdraws from a tournament less than two weeks from the start of the tournament or does not complete all required scheduled games, may not be allowed to enter any sanctioned tournaments until said team appears before the NTSSA Cup & Games Committee for a hearing explaining their actions and may forfeit their entry fee and performance bond, if one has been posted. Any refund of the entry fee (if any) or a portion of the entry fee (if any) will be determined by the Tournament Director.

Any team that withdraws from the tournament after having been accepted into the tournament will be subject to a refund of no greater than 50% of the registration fee. Any team that withdraws from the tournament after having been scheduled tournament games will be ineligible for any refund of the registration fee.

All teams not accepted by the tournament will be refunded in full within 15 days of the notification of rejection, or notification to the teams accepted, whichever comes first. (Posting on web sites can be considered notification of teams accepted)

30. In case of rain - **HARD RAIN, NOT A SPRINKLE** - call the headquarters hotel before you leave for the game. If inclement weather cancels the tournament prior to the completion of a team’s first scheduled game of the tournament, a maximum of fifty percent (50%) of the entry fee may be retained by the tournament to cover start-up cost of the tournament.

31. Daily and/or weekly parking is charged for all TSC/FCD tournaments. No exceptions.

32. Gates will open 30 minutes before kick off. No warming up in goal mouths allowed.

33. The TSC “tournament office” shall only be used for sanctioned personnel. No more than 5 people will be allowed in the office at any time.

34. No tents shall be staked into any ground anywhere on the TSC property. Freestanding, pop-up tents are allowed only if sized 10x10 or less.

**FOR ANY ASSISTANCE, SEE TSC FIELD COORDINATORS, TOURNAMENT FIELD MARSHALLS, OR CALL THE FCD SECURITY DUTY PHONE AT 972-955-5401. IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY, PLEASE CALL 911.**
*EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY*: the Toyota Soccer Center reserves the right to assess a citation, fine, or penalty to any user of our facility (teams, leagues, or events) when any player therein is in violation of any the following rules.

- **Any use of our facility must have prior approval from FC Dallas Stadium & Sports Complex.** No unscheduled play, free play, or non-approved play is permitted.

- All persons using the facility must abide by the lightning warning system in the event it sounds. NO PLAY WILL BE ALLOWED ON FIELDS IN THE EVENT OF SEVERE WEATHER OR LIGHTNING.

- **Warning:** By attending soccer events (including games and practices; collective, the “Event”) at FC Dallas Stadium & Sports Complex (the “Complex”), the attendee (“Attendee”) assumes all risk and danger incidental to the Event, including parking at the Event, moving to, from, and around at the Event, and all other activities, promotions, or events at the Complex (collectively, the “Events”) before, during or after the Event including, but not limited to, the danger of being injured by equipment, objects or persons entering spectator or parking areas (“Risks”), and further acknowledges that attendance at the Events is voluntary, and hereby releases, to the greatest extent permitted by law, FC Dallas Soccer, LLC, Frisco Stadium, LLC, FC Dallas Youth, LLC, and all entities and affiliates associated therewith together with their respective agents, players, officers, employees, and owners for injuries or loss of personal property resulting from such Risks or any incidents associated with crowds of people. If Attendee is accompanying a minor(s) to the Event, by allowing the minor(s) to attend the Event with Attendee, Attendee is deemed to have given all of the foregoing releases and waivers on behalf of such minor(s). If Attendee does not wish to or is not authorized to grant such releases and waivers on behalf of the accompanied minor(s), Attendee should immediately accompany the minor(s) out of the Complex. The Attendee and any accompanying minor(s) are admitted to the Complex on condition that the Attendee consents to the releases contained herein.

- Gates to complex will be open/unlocked 30 MINUTES prior to game time or start time unless otherwise agreed upon in advance. **Players are NOT allowed on the field until the gates are unlocked.** If gates are not unlocked no less than 30 minutes prior to kickoff, call the Security Duty Phone at 972-955-5401 to have the gates opened. Unauthorized entry or jumping of fence will result in team being fined accordingly.

- Jumping fences or defacing fences to gain entry/exit is strictly prohibited.

- Warm-ups inside the 18 yard box (goal mouth) are strictly prohibited (including goalkeeper).

- Goalkeepers may not mark their posts by creating marks on the field.
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• Players and coaches must clear the fields immediately following their scheduled usage.

• Goals, nets, flags, and/or benches may not be moved unless approved by FC Dallas Staff.

• Stakes, nails, pipes may not be driven into the ground to hold up tents, team flags, portable goals, etc. All tents must be free standing using sandbags or water barrels to secure tents unless otherwise approved by FC Dallas Staff.

• Golf carts are not allowed in the fenced in area of the complex, **unless used by a trainer to respond to a player injury** (in this case, they may only drive on the grass to retrieve a player who needs to be transported). **Golf carts are allowed on the paved areas outside the fenced area.**

• Do not dig holes, tear up grass, disrupt landscaping, rip turf, or participate in any other activities that are destructive toward our facility.

• Do not deface any signs, statues, fences, or property.

• Fighting, cursing, loitering, and any other behaviors deemed inappropriate are prohibited, and are grounds for removal from the facility, or possible arrest.

• Drugs are strictly prohibited at FC Dallas Stadium. Alcohol and smoking are prohibited within the fenced in area of the soccer complex. Alcohol may only be served by approved FC Dallas Stadium vendors, and may only be consumed by persons 21 years of age or older.

• Children should not be left unattended.

• Pets, of any kind, are prohibited within the fenced in area of the soccer complex.

• Firearms and/or concealed weapons are strictly prohibited at FC Dallas Stadium.

• Grills, barbeques, or anything involving flames or fire are not permitted within in the fenced in area of the complex.

• All sponsors and vendors must be approved by FC Dallas with written consent.

• All marketing and/or flyer distribution in the parking lots is prohibited unless approved by FC Dallas with written consent.

• Signs and banners are prohibited unless approved by FC Dallas in written consent.

• All displays (vehicles, inflatables, etc) must have approved in written consent by FC Dallas.
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- The sale or sampling of any items (food, drink, merchandise, etc.) is prohibited unless approved with written consent by FC Dallas.

- All restroom trailers/port-a-potties are not allowed unless approved with written consent by FC Dallas.

**PARKING POLICIES**

- For Stadium events, FC Dallas Stadium parking lots normally open 2.5 hours prior to kickoff. For season ticket holders and other VIPs, there is reserved parking available. Follow the directions on your parking pass to find your appropriate parking lot. For more information about season tickets, contact the FC Dallas box office at 469-365-0132.

- Parking for FC Dallas Stadium and Sports Complex events is permitted only in designated areas. Anyone parking in areas other than designated areas may be ticketed and/or towed.

- Depending on the event being held at FC Dallas Stadium and Sports Complex, parking may or may not be free. In the event that there is a charge for parking, lots will be open no less than 45 minutes prior to event start.

- FC Dallas Stadium and Sports Complex reserves the right to charge for parking at any time.

*FC Dallas Stadium and Sports Complex reserves the right to asses a citation, fine, or penalty to any user of our facility (teams, leagues, or events) when persons are in violation of FC Dallas Stadium and Sports Complex rules.*

**FC Dallas Stadium and Sports Complex and its affiliates reserve the right to deny entry into the complex and/or remove any person for any reason at any time.**

***Rules are subject to change without notice.***