

BOARDWALK CUP SOCCER TOURNAMENT

Hosted by Cape Express Soccer Club (CESC)

MODIFICATION TO THE IFAB LAWS OF THE GAME 2023-24 (8/30/23)

LAW 1 – THE FIELD

- The field and goal size will be age appropriate per USYS recommendations and guidelines.

LAW 2 – THE BALL

- U12 and younger will use a size 4 ball.
- U13 and older will use a size 5 ball.

LAW 3 – THE PLAYERS

- U8, U9 and U10 teams will play 7v7 with a maximum roster size of 14, minimum 5 players to play a game.
- U11 and U12 teams will play 9v9 with a maximum roster size of 16, minimum 6 players to play a game.
- U13 and U14 teams will play 11v11 with a maximum roster size of 18, minimum 7 players to play a game.
- Unlimited substitutions from the mid-field line are permitted by either team at any stoppage of play at the referee's discretion.

LAW 4 – PLAYER'S EQUIPMENT

- All equipment must adhere to IFAB standards.
- Teams must wear uniforms with individual numbers on the back of the jersey. Uniform numbers must coincide with the listing on the team's official approved roster.
- All teams must also have an alternate uniform in the case of similar uniform colors. Where uniform colors are similar or identical, the designated home team (team listed first on the game schedule) will change to an alternate shirt color. If the home team is not able to change, the away team will be required to change to an alternate shirt color.
- All players must wear shin guards. No shin guards, No play!
- No jewelry (earrings, watches, necklaces, combs, metal barrettes, any body piercings with jewelry, etc.) will be worn by players.
- Eyeglasses should be either sports-goggle type or made of safety glass or plastic and must be held in place with some type of elastic band.
- Orthopedic or other casts must be wrapped with soft foam padding. It will be at the referee's discretion prior to and for the duration of each game to determine the safety and suitability of the padding or other type of protection. The referee's decision is final.

LAW 7 – DURATION OF THE MATCH

- 7v7 and 9v9 Small Sided Games – Two twenty-five (25) minute halves
- 11v11 Games – Two thirty (30) minute halves

- Semi-final or final games tied after regulation will play one 10-minute overtime period (no sudden death or Golden Goal). If a tie still exists after overtime, penalty kicks will determine the winner. Penalty kicks will immediately follow the game.

LAW 13 – FREE KICKS

- For all 7v7 and 9v9 games, all opponents must remain 8 yards from the ball until the ball is in play.

LAW 14 – THE PENALTY KICK

- For all 7v7 and 9v9 games, the penalty spot will be 10 yards from the goal line.

ADDITIONAL

- PLAYER DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE IMPLEMENTATION (Build out line) will be used for all 7v7 games, refer to Boardwalk Cup Rules.
- Heading is not permitted for U11 and younger players, refer to Boardwalk Cup Rules.