

RULES of PLAY 2015

Teams are assigned to a Pool. Pools (A, B, C, D...etc) Top 10-16 teams seeded by Tournament Director, remainder seeded by blind draw.

In the event that two teams are tied with the same won loss record, the following tiebreakers will be used (in sequence) to determine the highest Seed.

A. Tie Breakers (2 teams tied) for seeding after pool play:

1. Head-to-head record (when applicable).
2. Fewest total goals allowed.
3. Greatest combined goal differential.
4. Most total goals scored.
5. Coin flip.

B. Tie Breakers when 3 or more teams are tied after pool play:

We will use the following tie breakers if 3 or more teams are tied to identify the top 2 teams involved in the tie. Once we have the top two teams based on the following tiebreakers, we will use situation A (above) to settle the tie between those two teams:

1. Fewest goals allowed in all pool games regardless if any of the teams played each other.
2. Greatest combined goal differential in all pool play.
3. Most total goals scored in all pool play.
4. Coin flip.

For the Crab City tournament the top team from each Pool after pool play will advance to the tournament championship bracket.

The Website and Tourney Machine App will be updated ASAP.

Based on your feedback there will be no 3rd place game this year.

For the CRABFEAST tournament the pool winners will advance to Sundays 10 team Championship bracket! All 2nd teams will advance to their own 10 team bracket as will 3rds and 4ths.

Champions will receive a CHAMPION Tourney T-Shirt

NCAA RULES ARE BEING USED IN THIS EVENT

Each game will consist of 4 (10) minute running time quarters.

5 minute halftime.

Each team gets 1 time out per game (does not carry over to OT)

3 minute sudden death overtime period. (1 (30 sec) time out in OT)
Clock will stop during T/O.

Penalty time is Start/Stop.

Stick Check Exception – stick checks after 1st and 3rd Quarter.

Federation and/or NCAA eligible sticks ok.

During the Semi Finals and Finals only:

Each team will have 2 time outs per game. Also a full time out MAY be called during overtime.

Game time can be adjusted due to heat and or weather related delays at the discretion of the Tourney Director.

Players or Coaches who get an ejection may not play/coach the next game. NO EXCEPTIONS.

WEATHER POLICY

In the event of adverse weather or un-playable field conditions, the Tournament Director reserves the right to:

1. Reduce game times in order to catch up with schedule.
2. Finish game before inclement weather arrives, or to preserve field conditions.
3. Reschedule games, if possible. No guarantees.
4. Convert the tournament to a 'Festival' format without playoffs or championships to enable the majority of the teams the opportunity to play as many games as possible.

Every attempt will be made to update cancellations on the website and the app. However, weather conditions can change rapidly and all teams should be prepared as soon as weather clears and fields are playable to report back to fields.

THUNDER/LIGHTNING POLICY

If thunder or lightning is observed at any location play will be suspended immediately and players and fans will be asked to leave the field. Play will be allowed to resume 30 minutes after the last sound of thunder or sighting of lightning is observed. If a game is in progress the period will end immediately. If it is the second half, the game will be considered final and the score at that point will be recorded. If it is the first half, when play resumes it will be the start of the second half. Every attempt will be made to begin subsequent games on time. If the start of the second half of the suspended game delays the onset of the subsequent game the following actions will occur:

The game suspended will play one 20minute running time second half. Subsequent games will begin immediately after preceding

games (warm up on the sidelines prior to the game).

WEATHER REFUND POLICY

1. No refunds will be issued for games canceled.
2. No refunds will be issued for games shortened due to weather.
3. No refunds will be issued for playoff or championship games canceled due to weather.
4. In the event we had to cancel the whole tournament due to weather only we would refund 60% of all fees paid to us within 30 days. Since teams register, and are paid for, under a lot of different names, teams will be required to complete a Weather Refund Request Form that will be available on the tournament website. This will indicate the team(s) requesting the refund, to whom the check should be made payable and where the check should be mailed. No refunds will be issued if a Refund Request Form is not submitted within 30 days of the tournament.