MID PENN TOURNAMENT RULES AND REGULATIONS 2018 END OF SEASON TOURNAMENT

I. PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS:

- A. Only Mid Penn League teams that have met the participation requirements for the League may participate.
- B. Only Mid Penn teams that are rostered 2018 recreation teams may participate.
- C. All players must be properly equipped to participate in this event.
- D. All teams will comply with league requirements (e.g. insurance).

II. TOURNAMENT RULES / GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS:

A. **DIVISIONS/LEVELS:**

14U will be divided into two (2) divisions by season record and/or extenuating circumstances for pool play [Albany and Denver]. Each group will play for Gold, Silver, and Bronze medals.

- 1. 20-minute running halves
- 2. 5-minute half time
- 3. See clock and horn guidelines (timeouts, overtime, etc.)

12U will be divided into two (2) divisions by season record and/or extenuating circumstances for pool play [Maryland and Hopkins]. Each group will play for Gold, Silver, and Bronze medals.

- 1. 20-minute running halves
- 2. 5-minute half time
- 3. See clock and horn guidelines (timeouts, overtime, etc.)

10U: We will run three separate Pools [Gait, Pietramala, Rabil] for games. Only Pool 1st/2nd winners will receive Gold/Silver medals.

- 1. 7 v 7 on small field
- 2. Round Robin only with **no championship game.**
- 3. Gold medals awarded pool winner and silver awarded to second place.
- 4. 20 minute halves with 5-minute halftime
- 5. No OT at the 10U level.

A. CLOCK and HORN:

- 1. Volunteers from EACH TEAM will run the game clocks and keep score.
- 2. <u>Both head coaches must sign the score card document to verify that the score is accurate. Disputes must be resolved by the head official prior to the start of the next game. The winning coach is responsible to hand in the score card, with opposing coach signoff included immediately following the game, to the concession stand.</u>
- 3. There will be a **running clock** and a **common horn**.
- 4. Start time is uniform, but games will vary in length (by level).
- 5. There will be a common horn that will signal the start of play for each level.
- 6. The timer and scorekeeper on each field will work with officials to start/stop play once this sounds.

B. END LINE/GAME BALLS

These will be provided by the Tournament and placed on the end lines and side lines before the start of each game.

C. GUIDELINES ON CLOCK and PLAY STOPPAGES:

REGULAR SEASON BOYS 2018 RULES WILL APPLY WITH THE FOLLOWING EXCEPTIONS:

- 1. **Time Outs**: One 45-second time out per half with <u>no</u> clock stoppage.
 - *No time outs in last 2 minutes of game with running clock.
- 2. **Injuries**: The clock will not stop for injuries <u>unless</u> the head official deems it necessary due to the length of the stoppage of play.
 - 3. **OVERTIME**: Two-minute break before overtime starts. No time outs.
 - a) Full field format, no changes from regulation play. First to score wins.
- D. **ZERO TOLERANCE / BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS**: Please share these expectations with your parents and players before the start of the tournament.
 - 1. Unsportsmanlike conduct will not be tolerated. Inappropriate behavior, such as the use of profanity and/or taunting by players or coaches, will not be tolerated. The player/coach is subject to ejection from the game and will be banned from the following game. The Tournament Officials reserve the right to ban a player/coach from the rest of the Tournament.
 - 2. Overly physical and/or aggressive play will not be tolerated. The player/coach is subject to ejection from the game and will be banned from the following game. The Tournament Officials reserve the right to ban a player/coach from the rest of the Tournament.
 - 3. Players or coaches that use abusive language toward or argue excessively with the officials will be ejected from the game. The player/coach is subject to ejection from the game and will be banned from the following game. The Tournament Officials reserve the right to ban a player/coach from the rest of the Tournament.
 - 4. Fans that are disruptive or abusive to opposing teams or officials must be dealt with by the coach or representative of the team with which that fan or parent is associated. Penalties may be assessed for this behavior at the discretion of the official.

II. <u>BRACKETS and ADVANCEMENT</u>: Pool play for seeding (two games) followed by bracket play. Three game minimum.

- 1. **14U and 12U Pool Play** Advancement (Win/Loss/Tie)
 - (1) Best Record
 - (2) Head to Head
 - (3) Goals against
 - (4) Goal differential
- 2. Bracket Play
 - (1) No ties, refer to Overtime in section D above for overtime rules if tie occurs at end of regulation time
- 3. **10U** Round Robin format; 1st/2nd only awarded at pool level. Ties are allowed, no overtime.
 - (1) Best Record
 - (2) Head to Head
 - (3) Goals against
 - (4) Goal differential
- 4. **TOURNEY MACHINE**: Please follow your team(s) on Tourney Machine to get the most up to date and accurate information on advancement and bracket play:
 - a) Field Map and Rules are also available within the App
 - b) Link: www.tourneymachine.com

III. <u>ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS</u> In the event of adverse weather or unplayable field conditions, the tournament director reserves the right to:

- Reduce game times in order to catch up with schedule
- Finish games before inclement weather arrives, or to preserve field conditions.

- Reschedule games, if possible.
- Convert tournament to a "festival" format without playoffs or championships to provide the majority of teams the opportunity to play as many games as possible. Every attempt will be made to update cancellations. However, weather conditions can change rapidly and all teams should be prepared to play as soon as weather and fields are playable.

IV. THUNDER/LIGHTNING POLICY

If thunder or lightning is observed play will be suspended immediately and players and fans will be asked to leave the fields to return to cars. Play will be allowed to resume 30 minutes after the last sound of thunder or sighting of lightning is observed which will be determined by the tournament referee/medical staff. Every attempt will be made to begin subsequent games on time. Subsequent games will begin immediately after preceding games. These games may consist of one 30 minute running time period until games are back on schedule. Once games are back on schedule they will revert to "normal" tournament game time procedures.

V. RAIN DATE: Sunday, May 20, 2018.

VI: CONTACT INFORMATION:

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VII. Field Map

Note: 10U games will only be played on fields 7, 8 and 9, each are reduced size, approximately 1/3 of regulation field.

Park Rules/Guidelines:

- No Dogs/Animals
- Tents must remain in designated Team areas (green triangles on map)
- Tents must be staked, as this park is typically very windy
- Trash: please be respectful and care for keeping the parking clean of waste and debris
- Parking: arrive early and be patient. Fire police will be parking the event. Handicap or other unique parking requirements are available at the concession lot; please let the fire police know if you need to have special parking upon arrival.

