

North East United Summer Classic
Maplewood, MN
Hosted by: North East United Soccer Club

Dates/Times: June 4th – 6th, 2021. Friday 5:00 PM to 10:00 PM, Saturday and Sunday 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM.

Entry Fee:

U9 and U10: \$275.00

U11 and U12: \$350.00

U13 through U19: \$425.00

Divisions accepted: The North East United SC (NEU) Tournament is open to all US Youth Soccer, US Club Soccer, AYSO, SAY and USSSA.

Teams Accepted:

Leagues/Division	Ages
Blue / Cities	9U-19U
Black / State	9U-19U
Futures / Regional*	9U-12U
First Division / Regional *	13U-19U

** Futures, First Division and/or Regional will be allowed if there are enough teams and/or willing to play up a level or two. No Premier or MRL teams will be accepted.*

Non-MYSA teams must have their state documentation indicating what level their team is playing. NEU will schedule the games trying to balance skill levels, age, the desire of clubs to play clubs other than their own, as well as the desire of clubs to play some clubs not in their regular league schedule.

Our approach to bracketing is as follows:

- Ideally there are enough teams of the same age, same playing level to have its own bracket if not then
 - a. We combine age brackets at same playing level, if still not enough for a bracket then
 - b. We combine same bracket with mixed playing levels, if still not enough then
 - c. As a last resort we mix both age and playing level, getting approval from the lower teams being ok playing up

Bracket Sizes: 4 teams minimum, 8 teams maximum. If there is a need to combine brackets, rules of the upper bracket will be in play. An example if there is a combined U11/U12 bracket, U12 rules will be applied.

Scheduling: If there are not enough teams to run single age groups, we will combine U9 and U10, U11 and U12, U13 and U14, U15-U16, U17-U19. Rules will be based on the higher age group if combining occurs. Any special scheduling requests must be submitted before the brackets are created to the Tournament Director. We cannot guarantee that special requests will be granted.

Rostering:

	Max # Rostered	Max # Dressed
9U-10U	12	12
11U-12U	16	16
13U-15U	18	18
16U-19U	22	19*

** The additional dressed player being allowed is due to the anticipated high temperatures for this years tournament weekend.*

Over-rostering will not be allowed and rosters are frozen once you are sent an approved roster if you checked your team in via the online process or once you leave the registration table if you are physically checking your team in.

Players can play for one (1) team only during the event unless prior approval has been given by the Tournament Director based upon special circumstances. Any ineligible player discovered shall cause the team on which he/she played to forfeit.

Number of Players on field:

	Min # Players	Max # Players
9U-10U	5	7
11U-12U	7	9
13U-19U	7	11

Guest Players: A maximum of 6 guest players is allowed (players not on the team for regular league play.) These players must appear on the roster and meet the rest of the rules contained in this document.

Playing Up: A player may play up. No player may play down in age or in division. First Division/Regional players are allowed but would need to be playing up (i.e. 13U Futures player would need to be playing at minimum on a 14U Black team.) No Premier or MRL players are allowed. Any guest players that are playing up must appear on the roster at registration time.

Number of Games Played: minimum of three games for each age group (championship game is an additional game). If a bracket is uneven, there may be a potential for a team to play four games. We will do our best to have a maximum number of two games per day for all age groups and to have at least a 2 ½ hour rest period between the games. Please note that time between games can be longer and we do our best to keep it at a minimum.

Credentials: Player and coach passes will be checked at the registration table and the field, no pass-no play, no exceptions. A legible roster (w/Team Name) must also be supplied at the registration table at time of check-in.

Team Check In: Team must be checked in 90 minutes prior to their first scheduled game.

Game rules:

Games will be played according IFAB Laws of the Game as modified by US Youth Soccer and MYSA.

No protests or appeals: All referee decisions are final.

Format: Modified world cup for U11 and older.

Length of games (including championship):

9U and 10U: 2-25 minute halves

11U and 12U: 2-30 minute halves

13U and 14U: 2-35 minute halves

15U through 19U: 2-40 minute halves

Awards: U9 and U10: Participation Award.

U11 through U19: award for 1st and 2nd place.

If a game cannot be played due to field conditions, kicks (5) from the penalty marker will occur to determine winner of that game.

The U11 through U19 teams will play under the MYSA recommended tournament rules. As such, the following calculation is used to determine which teams advance to the championship round:

Scoring:

- a. Win = 6 points
- b. Tie = 3 points
- c. 1 point for each goal (maximum three per game)
- d. 1 point for a shutout (0-0 tie = 4 points total)
- e. 10 point maximum per game

Overtime: will only be played for championship games, if after two 5-minute periods and a water break. If the game is still tied, it will be decided by kicks from the penalty mark following IFAB "Laws of the Game" procedures.

Tie Breakers: Games ending in ties in preliminary pool play rounds will remain a tie. If at the end of pool play, two or more teams have the same number of points, the following system will be used to determine standings:

1. Winner of head to head competition; does not apply if more than two teams are tied
2. Winner of most games
3. Fewest goals allowed.
4. Most goals scored in all games

5. Kicks from the penalty spot per IFAB laws of the game which will take place 45 minutes prior to the Championship game.

Note:

- In case of a team playing 4 games their total point score from all four games will be multiplied by 0.75 for the purpose of calculating their total points for comparison with teams that played 3 games. We will work to bracket an even number of teams so three games will be played and avoid the need to use this.

U9 and U10 games will be treated the same as league games. No standings will be determined.

Red cards and suspensions: We follow MYSA guidelines for players. If a coach is out of control, a referee may request the coach to leave before a game continues. If a player or coach is asked to leave a game, the referee will retain the member's pass and will send it to the MYSA office along with the appropriate game report. The player or coach will serve an automatic mandatory two-game suspension. Non-MYSA player and/or coach pass will be held at the Tournament Headquarters until the end of the Tournament or until the team has finished their games for the weekend.

Fan Rules: This soccer tournament is a smoke, alcohol and drug free event. Violators will be asked to leave the premises for the duration of the tournament, and the infraction will be reported in the post tournament report. NEU will not tolerate negative coach, fan, and/or spectator behavior. Tournament officials reserve the right to expel teams, parents and/or spectators. All players, coaches and fans are expected to display the highest standards of sportsmanship and respect for other players' referees, fans, and tournament volunteers and staff.

Pets are allowed at the Hazelwood Soccer Complex but must be on a leash and be picked up after.

Medical Authorization: All teams must carry a completed medical treatment consent form for each player. Coach/team manager should supply basic first aid supplies, ice and water. This tournament, held by the North East United Soccer Club and sanctioned by the Minnesota Youth Soccer Association, requires compliance with Minnesota Statute 121A.37 in accordance with the North East United Soccer Club and MYSA Concussion Policies. All participating coaches and referees are required to take concussion training. The US Center for Disease Control and Prevention has a free, online course entitled Concussion Training for Coaches (and referees), accessible by the following link:

www.cdc.gov/headsup/youthsports/training/index.html Copies of the Minnesota statute and MYSA policies are available at: www.mnyouthsoccer.org/concussions

Referee Certification: All referees used will hold a current USSF certification.

Weather: We will follow MYSA weather guidelines. Games may be delayed, shortened and/or canceled at the discretion of the referee and/or Tournament director. Every effort will be made to avoid this. In the case of Lightning and/or severe weather, please go to your cars and leave the parking lot. Check the NEU web site for updates. Delayed, shorted or canceled games will not be refunded. If games are stopped due to inclement weather, and cannot be restarted, score at stoppage will be the final score. Games that cannot start because of weather conditions will be scored a 0-0 tie.

