



2018 FESTIVAL/TOURNAMENT RULES

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The rules for Soccerfest consist of **both** this document entitled "2018 Festival/Tournament Rules" and the document entitled the "HSL Outdoor Rules 2018". Where there is a difference in rules, the document entitled "2018 Festival/Tournament Rules" takes precedence over the "HSL Outdoor Rules 2018" document. **ANY RULES NOT LISTED WILL BE GOVERNED BY FIFA'S LAWS OF THE GAME**

PLEASE NOTE: U13 GIRLS WILL BE PLAYING 9v9 WITH FULL FIELD 11v11 RULES

1. **GAME DURATION & PLAYING FORMAT:**

U4B, U4G, U5B, U5G -- 2x10 minute halves (playing 6v6 no keeper)
U6B, U6G -- 2x20 minute halves (playing 3v3 no keeper)
U7B-- 2x20 minute halves (playing 4v4 no keeper)
U7/8G, U8B -- 2x20 minute halves (playing 5v5 including the keeper)
U9/10B, U9/10G -- 2x 25 minute halves (playing 7v7 including keeper)
U11/12B, U11/12G -- 2x30 minute halves (playing 9v9 including keeper))
U13B, U13/14G, U14/15B, U18B, U18G -- 2x30 minute halves (playing 11v11 including keeper)
5 minute rest period between halves will apply to all divisions

2. **BALL SIZES:**

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| U4, U5, U6, & U7B | U7/8G, U8B, U9/10B, U9/10G | U12 to U18 Boys & Girls |
| Use size #3 | Use size #4 | Use size #5 |

3. **MINIMUM PLAYERS REQUIRED TO PLAY GAME:**

- Mini mini (6 v 6) U4, U5 and (3v3) U6;
Mini mini field (4v4), U7B;
Mini field (5 v 5) U7/8G, U8B;
Mini field (7 v 7) U9/10B, U9/10G;
9 v 9 field (9 v 9) U11/12G, U11/12B;
(not applicable as not playing knock out rounds therefore if a team is short players they can use players from opposing team)
- Full field (11 v 11), U13B, U13/14G, U14/15B, U16/17/18B, U15/16/17/18G: – 7 players (one being the keeper).

4. **PENALTY & FREE KICKS:**

- For U7/8G, U8B, U9/10B, U9/10G, all penalty kicks shall be taken 7.4 metres from the goal line.
- For U11/12G, U11/12B, U13B, U13/14G, U14/15B, U18B, U18G, all penalty kicks shall be taken 11 metres from the goal line.
- For U7/8G, U8B, U9/10G, U9/10B, U11/12G, and U11/12B, all free kicks are indirect except if the infraction occurred in the penalty area.
- For U13B, U13/14G, U14/15B, U18B, U18G free kicks are either indirect or direct depending on the foul (according to FIFA rules).
- For U7/8G, U8B, U9/10B, U9/10G, U11/12B, U11/12G all kickoffs, goal kicks, and corner kicks are indirect.

5. **GOAL KICKS and SAVES:**

For U7/8G, U8B, U9/10B, U9/10G, U11/12G and U11/12B, the opponents must be behind the retreat line on goal kicks. When the keeper saves the ball, it is up to the keeper whether the keeper utilizes a retreat line or not. The keeper can do a quick pass.

6. **GOALS:**

A goal is not counted until the whole ball crosses over the goal line. **Mercy rule is in affect for the U4X, U5X, U6X and U7B during the Festival/Play Offs. The Mercy Rule is not in affect during the Festival/Tournament for ages U8 – U18.**

7. **OFFSIDES:**

There is no offside for mini-soccer. The offside rules does apply to the U11/12G, U11/12B, U13B, U13G, U14/15B, U14/15G, U18B and U18G divisions.

8. **SUBSTITUTIONS:**

Unlimited but they must be done within the following conditions:

- At your own throw-in or kick in. Piggy-back is allowed.
- After a goal is scored.
- Goal kicks.
- At the start of each half.
- As a result of an injury (only the injured player may be substituted).

Coaches must notify the referee when they wish to make a substitution.

9. **PLAYER EQUIPMENT:**

- All players must wear shin guards. Any player without shin guards is prohibited from playing.
- Soft cleat soccer shoes.

10. **HOME TEAM:**
- The first team listed on the schedule is the designated home team.
 - Home team wears Navy Jersey, Away team wears Red Jersey
 - The home team shall provide the game ball.
11. **ONLY PLAYERS AND REFEREES ARE ALLOWED ON THE FIELD.** A REFEREE MAY ALLOW THE COACH OR APPROPRIATE ADULT TO ENTER THE FIELD TO TEND TO AN INJURED PLAYER
12. **ALL TEAMS MUST BE READY 5 MINUTES BEFORE GAME TIME:**
- GRACE TIME allowed is 5 minutes. Teams failing to meet this grace period may default with the opposing team being awarded a 2 – 0 win.
 - GRACE TIME is only allowed if the minimum number of players required to play have not shown up. There is no GRACE TIME if the minimum number of players noted in rule number 4 have shown up.
 - GRACE TIME **MAY BE EXTENDED BY UP TO ONE HOUR BY THE TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE. THIS WILL ONLY BE CONSIDERED DURING THE QUARTER-FINALS, SEMI-FINALS, AND THE FINALS.**
13. **POINT SYSTEM (applicable to the U13 and older division only):**
- 3 points for a win.
 - 1 point for a tie.
 - 0 points for a loss
14. **DETERMINING GROUP STANDINGS AFTER THE PRELIMINARY ROUNDS –PRELIMINARY ROUND GAMES CAN END IN A TIE (U13 & up Only)**
- Winner of game between tied teams.
 - Goal differential (goals scored minus goals against).
 - Total goals scored.
 - Total goals against.
 - Total shutouts.
 - Penalty kicks.
- DETERMINING WILDCARD AFTER ALL PRELIMINARY GAMES HAVE BEEN PLAYED (will be determined in the following order) (U13 & up Only)**
- Winner of game between tied teams.
 - Goal differential (goals scored minus goals against).
 - Total goals scored.
 - Total goals against.
 - Total shutouts.
 - Penalty kicks
15. **QUARTER-FINALS, SEMI-FINALS, AND FINALS (U13 & up Only):**
In the event of a tie at the end of regulation time, the game will proceed directly to penalty kicks.
16. **PLAYER, COACHES, AND PARENT CONDUCT:**
- Coaches are responsible for their team's behavior on and off the field
 - Abusive language, harassment and arguing with the Referees and/or Convenors will not be tolerated.
 - All players, coaches, and spectators are to maintain a professional attitude and act in a manner becoming a good member of the club.
17. **WEATHER CONDITIONS**
- In a case of a rain out, the game would be considered complete if 60% of the game has been played.
 - 20 minute game would be at 12 minute mark.
 - 40 minute game would be at 24 minute mark.
 - 50 minute game would be at 30 minute mark.
 - 60 minute game would be at 36 minute mark.
18. **TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE**
- Players, coaches, and parents shall respect and abide by these tournament rules. Unless overridden by one of the above tournament rules, the games shall be governed by VAUGHAN SOCCER CLUB 2018 REGULAR SEASON RULES AND FIFA rules.**
 - All complaints and/or disputes shall be directed to the Tournament Committee.
 - All decisions and rulings rendered by the Tournament Committee are final.
 - All teams and coaches agree to abide by the Tournament Committee decisions
19. **MISCONDUCTS**
- First caution and second caution in tournament, no action. Third caution, automatic one game suspension. Each caution thereafter, incurs another game suspension.
 - First dismissal, one game suspension. Second dismissal, suspended for remainder of tournament.
 - Any assaults on a game official, whether physical or verbal, will result in suspension for remainder of tournament.
 - Game abandoned by a team, team suspended for the remainder of the tournament.
 - For dismissal, assault, and/or abandonment misconducts, team may appeal to the Tournament Committee after paying a \$50 appeal fee. If the team wins a reduction in the penalty, \$25 is reimbursed. There are no appeals for caution misconduct.