



USA ADIDAS CUP - TOURNAMENT RULES

The USA ADIDAS CUP will be played in accordance with FIFA Laws of the Game, as modified by USYSA, UYSA, and as specifically noted below.

1. CREDENTIALS: All players shall be properly registered with their respective state organizations. Team official shall have a current official league roster (or travel tournament roster), medical release forms, player passes (for out of state teams), and all applicable guest player forms. These documents shall be presented to Tournament officials at team check-in, or a minimum of one hour prior to their first match, for verification. These documents are required to be available for the duration of the tournament. The travel tournament roster and/or player cards will be used for match check-in.

2. FLIGHT BRACKETING: Team flight and bracket assignments are determined by the Tournament Committee and based on the most recent UYSA Final Alignment document. Appeals of the flight and/or bracket will not be accepted.

3. PLAYER ELIGIBILITY: Player rosters are frozen at team check-in and no amendments will be allowed. Additional licensed coaches may be added to a roster, prior to the published start of any match. Player eligibility will be verified prior to each match. A team shall forfeit a match (or matches) where it uses a non-rostered player. A player may only be rostered and play on one team during the tournament, in accordance with UYSA policy 935.3.

4. HOME TEAM & UNIFORMS: The first team listed on the published schedule is the home team. UYSA Policy 6315.6 will govern. The home team will have sideline choice of the field for each match. In the event of a uniform color conflict the home team must change.

5. SIDELINE POLICY: UYSA policy 6315.5 will govern. Spectators must sit on the same sideline as their team.

6. BALL, FIELD, and TEAM SIZE: UYSA policy 6.6 Appendix A will govern field sizes.

Age Group	Max. Roster	Max. Guest Players	Max. Players	Min. Players	Ball Size
U9-U10	12	3	7 v 7	5	#4 ball
U11-U12	15	4	9 v 9	6	#4 ball
U13-U15	18	5	11 v 11	7	#5 ball
U16-U19	22	5	11 v 11	7	#5 ball

7. MATCH LENGTH: Additional, injury, and stoppage time will NOT be added to the match length. A winner will advance from each elimination match. If an elimination match is tied at the end of the match, kicks from the penalty mark will determine the winner.

Age Group	Match Length	Halftime
U9 & U10	2 x 20 minutes	5 minutes
U11 & U12	2 x 25 minutes	5 minutes
U13 & U14	2 x 30 minutes	5 minutes
U15 & U16	2 x 35 minutes	5 minutes
U17 - U19	2 x 40 minutes	5 minutes

8. MATCH START TIME: Both teams must present a rostered coach and the minimum number of rostered players, at the published start time of the match, or the match will be forfeited.

9. SUBSTITUTIONS: UYSA Policy 6315.8 will govern and ALL substitutions are at the discretion of the referee.

10. HEADING FOR U12 AND YOUNGER: UYSA Policy 6356.8 will govern.

- A. If a player deliberately heads the ball in a game, an indirect free kick (IFK) should be awarded to the opposing team from the spot of the offense.
- B. If the deliberate header occurs within the penalty area, the indirect free kick (IFK) should be taken on the penalty area line parallel to the goal line at the point nearest to where the infringement occurred.

11. BUILD-OUT LINES FOR U10 AND YOUNGER: UYSA Policy 6315.1 will govern.

12. MATCH DISCIPLINE: UYSA Policy 6315.10 thru 6315.12 will govern, with the following amendments;

- A. Any team causing a match to be abandoned shall be declared the loser of said match. The Tournament Committee may declare the match a forfeit and the scoring system below shall apply. Upon review of the referee match report, the Tournament Committee may expel the losing team from the tournament.
- B. Expelled and unruly coaches or spectators will be asked to leave the facility (minimum 300 yards from any playing field). Failure to comply may cause the match to be abandoned.
- C. The conduct of ALL coaches, players, and spectators expelled from a match shall be reviewed by the Tournament Committee. Upon review of the referee match report, the Tournament Committee may expel these individuals from the remainder of the tournament.

13. WEATHER: The Tournament Committee may alter the duration of future matches to accommodate weather related schedule delays. In the event of a significant weather related delay, the semi-final matches may be eliminated.

14. SCORING & STANDINGS: After verification of the match referee's report, match results will be published on the Tournament website. Scores will NOT be accepted from coaches, players, spectators or team managers. Pool play matches will be scored as follows:

- 6 points for a win, 3 points for a tie, 0 points for a loss.
- 1 point for each goal (up to a maximum of 3 goals).
- 1 point for a shut-out.

- A 0-0 tie will be awarded 4 points for each team (3 points for the tie and 1 point for the shut-out).
- Forfeited matches will be awarded 8 points. A team forfeiting one match will forfeit all matches.

15. TIE BREAKERS: In the event two (or more) teams within a bracket are tied in points at the end of pool play, the following tie breakers will be applied, in the order given, to determine the advancing team.

1. Head to head play: If the teams played in pool play, the winner of the match.
2. Goal differential: The team with the highest goal differential (goals for minus goals against).
3. Goals against: The team allowing the least number of goals.
4. Goals for: The team scoring the most number of goals.
5. Shoot-out or coin toss: The Tournament Committee will decide if teams participate in a shoot-out (kicks from the penalty mark) or a coin toss. This is dependent upon match schedules, availability of fields, and referees.

16. AWARDS: Award presentations for the Flight Champion and Finalist will be held immediately following the conclusion of the Final match, at strategically located Medal Booths, within West Jordan Sports Complex.

17. MATCH PROTESTS: All matches shall be considered final. Protests will NOT be accepted or considered.

18. REFUNDS: No entry fees refunds will be issued, after; (1) the published application deadline, (2) a team has been accepted to the tournament, (3) and the tournament schedule has been published. Prior to completion of the above noted conditions, entry fee refunds may be made, less any incurred administrative costs or processing fees.

19. LITTER & GARBAGE: We believe in keeping the fields at our parks clean. All litter and garbage MUST be removed from the field immediately after each match. Sidelines littered with garbage may result in point deductions, or forfeit of a match, as determined by the Tournament Committee.