



Adidas College Showcase Tournament Rules

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Tournament Cancellation

If the tournament is canceled for any reason before the event begins and before any matches are played, teams are guaranteed a refund of an amount to be determined by the host organization(s) once all invoices are paid and final budgets are approved.

REGISTRATION FEES

All Entry Fees must be postmarked by the registration deadline to guarantee consideration. All late applications will be put on a waitlist for review. Upon acceptance, the fee is non-refundable. If your team is accepted and later withdraws, the entry fee is non-refundable.

Credit Card Payments

All Credit Cards entries will be charged upon acceptance and refunded immediately upon non- acceptance. E-mail confirmation of entry will follow the completed application.

Check or Money Order Payments

All check or money order entries must be postmarked by the registration deadline and should be made payable to the host organization. All entry fees received through check or money order are deposited immediately and refunded within two weeks of non-acceptance. Teams must include a copy of e-mail entry confirmation with their payment.

ONLINE TEAM CHECK-IN REQUIREMENTS AND ROSTER INFORMATION

- Original Player Passes, current to seasonal year of event; either USYS State Association or US Club Soccer passes
- Two Copies of Official Roster
- Guest Players identified: Written on front or back of COPIES of Rosters
- Player Passes for Guest Player
- Individual Player Medical Release Forms
- Approved Permission to Travel forms must be received for all teams traveling from outside the state of Virginia excepted as indicated below:

For USYSA Registered Teams: Teams must have the proper USYSA state rosters, plus two copies for the tournament, permission to travel forms, player pass cards and medical release forms for each player at registration.
Region 1 Policy Regarding Application To Host A Tournament

Region I has established the following policy concerning permission to travel when attending USYS sanctioned tournaments in Region I. The purpose of this policy is to make it as simple as possible for the US Youth Soccer Region I teams to travel to tournaments within Region I. The new policy states that any USYS State Association teams within Region I that are accepted into a tournament in Region I do not need permission to travel papers. The list of invited National States Associations in Region I are the following: Connecticut Jr Soccer Assn; Delaware Youth Soccer Assn; Eastern New York Youth Soccer Assn; Eastern Pennsylvania Youth Soccer Assn; Soccer Maine; Maryland Youth Soccer Assn; Massachusetts Youth Soccer Assn; New Hampshire

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Soccer Assn; New Jersey Youth Soccer Assn; New York State West Youth Soccer Assn; Pennsylvania West State Soccer Assn; Soccer Rhode Island; Vermont Soccer Assn; Virginia Youth Soccer Assn; West Virginia Soccer Assn

Foreign Teams

For a team coming from a CONCACAF nation:

- Players must present passports at registration
- Teams are required to have and present player picture identification cards
- Teams must have a completed form from their National Association approving the team's participation in the tournament

Roster Sizes

- U16-U19 - 11v11 teams may have 22 players identified at Registration
 - o Only 18 players may dress for each game and must be identified to the referees prior to

kickoff of each match. No player not identified prior to kickoff may participate in that specific match.

- **Five guest players** per team will be permitted for all age groups

Protest

All officiating and administrative decisions are final. No protests will be considered.

Ball Size

- Size 5 for 11v11 play

Match Duration

- U15 – 70 minute matches, 5 minute halftime – no stoppage time
 - 60 minute matches on Sunday.
- U16-U19 – 80 minute matches, 5 minute halftime – no stoppage time
 - 70 minute matches on Sunday.

Substitutions

Unlimited/Free substitutions with permission of referee:

- After a goal has been made
- At the beginning of the second half of play or prior to the beginning of an overtime period
- At a goal kick by either team
- At a throw-in by the team in possession
- Injury (any number of players from both teams may be substituted whenever an injury has occurred after being beckoned onto the pitch by the Referee)

Limited

substitutions may be made, with the referee's permission:

- In case of stoppage of play for an injury
 - Cautioned player (cautioned player only)
- Under no circumstances may substitutions be made (1) on corner kicks or (2) after the game has ended in a tie and FIFA penalty kicks will be required to determine a winner. All substitutes shall inform the assistant referee on their side of the field that they wish to enter the game prior to the time they are entitled to enter the game as a substitute. The assistant referee will signal the referee that substitutes wish to enter the game at the first opportunity that the substitute is allowed to enter the game. The substitutes must wait until the referee signals that it is okay for them to enter the field.

Uniform Conflicts

Team listed first is the designated Home Team and must change jerseys when the referee determines a conflict to exist.

Forfeits

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Teams not at the field ready to play with a minimum of 7 eligible players at the scheduled game time will forfeit the match at the discretion of the tournament director. Forfeited scores will be counted 5 – 0. Teams forfeiting games will not be able to advance to the playoff rounds.

Officiating Systems

- U15-U19 – 3 referees per match – offside will be called

The Tournament Director reserves the right to alter officiating systems as needed throughout the event. No fees will be returned in the event of altered officiating systems.

Inclement Weather

The Tournament Rules Committee reserves the right to make the following changes in the event of inclement weather:

- Relocate and/or reschedule a match.
- Change a division structure.
- Reduce scheduled duration of a match
- Cancel a match.

In the event of inclement weather forcing play to be halted and preventing the match from completing during the scheduled time, the score shall stand if at least one-half of the match has been completed. *The tournament director will have the final decision on field closure.*

Player Equipment

All players must wear shin-guards. No Jewelry of any kind will be allowed. Casts, splints or body braces made of a hard substance in its final form such as leather, rubber, plastic, plaster or fiberglass must be covered on all exterior surfaces with no less than 1/2 inch thick, high density polyurethane, or an alternate material of the same thickness and similar physical properties to protect the injury. *A medical release for the injured player signed by a licensed physician must be available at the game site. Players may not play with these casts without the approval of the Referee.*

Scoring

Teams will be awarded points on the following basis:

- Three (3) points for each Win

- One (1) point for each Tie
- Zero (0) points for each Loss

Sideline Behavior

Both teams will sit on the same side of the field. Only coaches and trainers may stay on the player's sideline. Spectators are only allowed on the opposite side of the field from the coaches and players and are limited to being in the designated area from penalty box to penalty box. No spectators are allowed behind the goal areas. ***Harassment of the officials from coaches, spectators or players will not be tolerated.***

Suspensions and Discipline – Send-offs: (U16-U19):

- o If a player is ejected from a match (red card by the referee) that player must sit out the remainder of that match
- o In addition the player must sit-out his/her team's next tournament match. However as this is a showcase event appeals on this sit-out are allowed at the discretion of the tournament director in coordination with the tournament's referee coordinator. Ejections

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for violent behavior, fighting, referee abuse are in no way appealable. Only the tournament director can make these decisions.

- o This being a college showcase event, players ejected can be substituted, thus allowing teams to play at full strength. The player who is ejected cannot return in that match.

- o Two yellow cards constitute a red card and ejection; however, the offending player can also be substituted.

Alcoholic Beverages

NO alcoholic beverages are allowed at the event or the parking lot of any of the game sites. If found with alcohol, the team of the offending person will be subject to forfeiting 1 game and the offender will be banned from returning to any tournament site for the remainder of the event. *The Tournament Director will have final say on all aspects related to this policy.*

Game Balls

Game balls will be used at the discretion of the referees. All game balls will be inspected by match officials prior to use, and only balls that have been approved by the referees will be permitted for use. The tournament will supply game balls when available.

Team Withdrawal

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non-refundable, and sanctions will be placed against your team/club for future participation in events sponsored by the host organization(s).