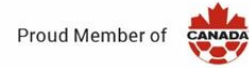




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Information Bulletin

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Date: Mar. 10, 2020
To: Ontario Soccer; District Membership, ORA, Associate Members, District Ontario Cup Coordinators
CC: Ontario Soccer Board of Directors, Staff
From: Robyn McComb, Senior Manager, Competitions and Events
Subject: 2020 Ontario Cup Entry Form Now Available

The Ontario Cup, the Provincial Soccer Championship, is the largest Club competition of its kind in Canada. One of the oldest sporting events in the country, Ontario Soccer's Ontario Cup was first staged in 1915 and has operated continuously, with the exception of the World War II period. The 2020 Ontario Cup will mark the 105th year of the Competition.

Each year, 12,000 athletes from all across the province compete for the Championship. The competition commences in May, with more than 600 teams drawn into either a Knock-Out round or a Round-Robin style tournament. The Ontario Cup Tournament culminates with the Final Round usually being hosted at the Soccer Centre in Vaughan, Ontario, with the added prize of a National Club Championship in the Under 15's, Under 17's, Men's and Women's divisions. The Ontario Cup is classified under LTPD as a "Soccer For Life" competition.

The 2020 Ontario Cup Entry Form is now available on the [Ontario Soccer website](#).

The Entry Deadline is **April 1, 2020**.

Please note that entries **will not** be accepted after the deadline.

Ontario Cup Tournament Hosts have been approved and notified.

The host cities are listed in the [Ontario Cup Entry Rules](#), so teams will know where they may have to play before they enter the Ontario Cup.






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Ontario Registered Academies (ORA) Entering Ontario Cup

For 2020, the Ontario Cup is open to all competitively registered youth and senior amateur teams only for those ORAs that have been placed by the District Association into a category of “membership” and the ORA team(s) is/are fully participating in a 2020 District, Regional or Senior League.

Ontario Cup Format

The format for youth divisions has changed from last year.

There will not be an Ontario Cup Preliminary Round this year. All teams in the Under 13 to Under 17 divisions will start in the Ontario Cup Tournament Round.

This change means that all teams in those divisions will be guaranteed to be scheduled for at least two games in the competition. There will be 3-team and 4-team groups in the Tournament Round that teams can be drawn into.

Teams drawn to a 3-team group will play two games, while teams drawn to a 4-team group will play three games in the Tournament Round.

A Third Round has also been added to the format, which may mean that in some cases, more than one team will advance from a group in the Tournament Round.

Two District divisions have also been added to the 2020 Ontario Cup.

The Under 16 Girls District division and the Under 16 Boys District division. These divisions will be open to all District Competitive teams, but will not be open to teams in Regional Leagues.

If you have questions, please contact [Robyn McComb](#).

