

# DASC Adult Soccer Community COED Rules, Policies and Procedures

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## Introduction

Welcome to the Dakota Alliance Soccer Club Adult Soccer Community!

Our main objective is to provide adults in our community with access to varying leagues of skill and ability to facilitate continued enjoyment of the beautiful game!

We value:

- Respect
- Sportsmanship
- Friendship
- Fun

Please remember and exercise those values each time you take the field. We want everyone to enjoy their time in our leagues, so take that extra effort to be kind, considerate and respectful to all players, referees and DASC ASC Members

## Laws of the Game

### Law 1: The Field of Play

#### Indoor

- Sanford Fieldhouse (At the Sanford Sports Complex)
  - 22515 W Pentagon Pl, Sioux Falls, SD 57107

#### Outdoor

- Sanford Crossing (At the Sanford Sports Complex)

## Law 2: The Ball

- Size 5
- Each team should provide 2 good condition soccer balls at every game

## Law 3: The Players

- Must be 18 years old
- Teams can guest a maximum of two players (See: Guest Players)
- All players must be checked in to play (See: Check-in Procedure)
- You must have at least 1 female on the field at all times

### Indoor

- 6v6
- Minimum number of players to play a game is 4. If a team is unable to field the required number of players, the game will be forfeited (See: Forfeits/Reschedules)
- Substitutions are on the fly except for the goalkeeper, which must be during a stoppage of play.
- Players must enter/exit near the halfway line

### Outdoor

- 8v8
- Minimum number of players to play a game is 5. If a team is unable to field the required number of players, the game will be forfeited (See: Forfeits/Reschedules)
- Substitutions can be made on all stoppages.
  - Entering players must do so at the half line
  - Exiting players may do so from anywhere on the pitch
  - Players must alert the referee to substitute

## Law 4: The Players Equipment

- No jewelry except for medical ID bracelets, fitness trackers and wedding bands. If items are hard/sharp they should be covered with soft material to prevent injuries.
- Teams must wear identically colored shirts with numbers
  - Provided by DASC Adult Soccer Community
  - Includes two guest player jersey's
- Home team must forfeit their jersey color if there is a conflict
- Goalkeepers must wear a different colored shirt from both teams on the field.
  - Not provided
- Shin guards are mandatory and must be covered by socks

## Law 5: The Referee

- If a referee fails to show, both teams have the option to reschedule their game or to play. If the game is played, it will be considered official
- There will be one official assigned to the match

## Law 6: Other Match Officials

- No officials other than the referee will be used

## Law 7: Duration of the match

- 7 minute grace period to complete check ins and/or to acquire the minimum number of players
- The game clock starts at the scheduled game time unless weather or injury.
- The referee and/or commissioner will make weather related game calls. (See: Weather Policy)

### Indoor

- 25 minute halves
- 3 minute half time

### Outdoor

- 35 minute halves
- 5 minute half time
- Water breaks
  - Teams/Referees communicate before the game
  - 2 minutes running clock

## Law 8: The Start and Restart of Play

- Visiting team will kick-off the first half, the home team will kick-off the second half.

### Indoor

- All restarts must be taken within 5 seconds
- A goal cannot be scored directly on a kickoff
- All fouls are indirect kicks with the exception of a penalty kick

## Law 9: The Ball In and Out of Play

### Indoor

- If the ball hits the ceiling or lights, an indirect free kick will be given to the opposite team directly underneath the spot on the ceiling where the ball struck

## Law 10: Determining the Outcome of a Match

- Upon expiration of the time, the game will be recorded as official and points added to the team's season. (See: League Scoring)

## Law 11: Offside

### Indoor

- Offside is not enforced

### Outdoor

- Offside will be enforced
- There is no offside on a corner kick, goal kick or throw in

## Law 12: Fouls and Misconduct

- No slide tackling (sliding at or towards a player that possesses the ball) except by the goalkeeper in an attempt to save a goal. The goalkeeper's slide must start inside the penalty area.
  - Slide tackles are punished with an indirect free kick
  - Sliding (a player does not have possession of the ball) to save a ball is permitted
- If a player receives a yellow card, they must step off the field until the next stoppage of play. (See: Red and Yellow Cards)
- If a player receives a red card, they must leave the game area immediately. (See: Red and Yellow Cards)
- DASC will not tolerate any form of abuse or assault (See: Abuse/Assault)
- Individuals who invade the playing surface during an altercation will be subject to immediate revocation of match playing/attending privilege's.
  - Local law enforcement will be contacted
  - Game will be halted

## Law 13: Free Kicks

### Indoor

- All opponents must remain 2 yards away (All free kicks are indirect)

### Outdoor

- All opponents must remain 10 yards away

## Law 14: The Penalty Kick

### Indoor

- Ball will be placed 3 yards outside the penalty area lined up with the center of the goal
- All players should be 2 yards away from the ball and behind an imaginary line where the ball is placed

### Outdoor

- Ball will be placed on the spot inside the penalty area or 14 yards from the goal line, lined up with the center of the goal

## Law 15: The Throw In

### Indoor

- A kick-in will be used in place of a throw-in
- The ball will be placed stationary on or near the touch line before being kicked
- All defenders must be 2 yards away
- Must distribute within 5 seconds

## Law 16: The Goal Kick

### Indoor

- A Goal Clearance will be used in place of a goal kick
  - Goalkeeper must distribute with his hands
  - No punting or drop kicks
  - May not play the ball to himself
  - Must distribute within 5 seconds

## Law 17: The Corner Kick

- You may score directly on a corner kick

### Indoor

- Must kick within 5 seconds

## Guest Players

- Use/Check the comment section of the DASC Adult Soccer Community website for players available to guest or to make a guest request
  - <https://www.dakotaalliancesoccer.com/adult>
- If you need additional players for a game, you may guest players from:
  - Opposing team
  - If male, within the same division or lower
  - If female, from any division
- Maximum of two guest players
  - You must reach out to the league commissioner if you require more than two guest players

## Check in Procedure

- Team manager will check-in with the referee using the official roster
  - Official Rosters are digital in the Sports Engine App
  - Teams need to record their guest players
- Team manager will indicate players present or not
- If players show up late, they must be checked-in during half time
- If a team is using a non-league player:
  - Game will be forfeit
  - Team manager will face match suspension

## League Scoring

- Win = 3 pts
- Loss = 0 pts
- Tie = 1 pt
- Red Card = -1 pt (per card)
- Forfeit = -1 pt (0-3 win for opposing team)
- Tie Breakers
  - Goal Differential
  - Most Goals Scored
  - Fewer Goals Against
  - Fewest Red Cards

- Penalty Shoot-out

## Forfeits/Reschedules

- A team must give 72 hours notice if they wish to reschedule a match
- A team must have the minimum number of players to start a match
- Failure to fulfill these requirements will result in a forfeit and recorded as a 0-3 loss

## Red and Yellow Cards

### Yellow Cards

- If a player receives a yellow card, they must step off the field until the next substitution opportunity
- Any player that receives 5 yellow cards within a season within their league will be suspended for one game.
  - The suspended game will be the next game in the team/league you are rostered for where you received the yellow cards
  - You may not guest for any team during the suspension period.

### Red Cards

- If a player receives a red card, they must leave the field/facility immediately
- Any player that receives a red card will be suspended for one game
  - The suspended game will be the next game in the team/league you are rostered for where you received the red card
  - Suspended games will be carried over to the next season if not fulfilled
  - You may not guest for any team during the suspension period
  - Depending on the offense, you could be fined
    - \$30 for first offense in a season
    - \$60 for second offense in a season
      - You will be suspended for three games
    - \$100 for third offense in a season
      - You will be suspended for five games
    - \$200 for fourth offense in a season
      - You will be suspended for the remainder of the season and the first four games of your next rostered season
- Red cards for assault (See: Abuse/Assault)
  - Statewide ban of 3 to 5 years
  - \$500 fine
  - Charges filed with local law enforcement

## Appeals

- Red cards can be appealed
  - Written letter must be received/postmarked within 24 hours
  - Must contain \$50 non-refundable appeal fee
- League Disciplinary Committee
  - Will make decision as soon as possible
  - Player may be granted right to participate in next match while the appeals process takes place
  - All decisions shall be considered final
  - Mail to:
    - DASC Adult Soccer Community
    - ATTN: Tyler Soyer
    - 401 W. 39th St, Sioux Falls, SD 57105

## Abuse/Assault

### Assault

- An intentional act of physical violence
  - Hitting, kicking, punching, choking, spitting, grabbing, charging and other forms of unnecessary contact
  - Throwing or kicking any object that could inflict injury of the referee or his/her personal property

### Abuse

- Verbal statement or gesture which implies or threatens physical harm or undermines the referee's performances or job security
  - Foul or abusive language toward a referee
  - Inappropriate gestures toward a referee

## Discipline

- Assault
  - Minor offense includes a 3 month suspension
    - Unsubstantial physical contact
  - Major offense includes a 6 month suspension
    - Intent to harm
  - Assault that involves a referee 17 years of age or younger includes a 3 year suspension
  - Assault that results in serious injuries include a 5 year suspension
- Abuse
  - Minimum suspension
    - 3 games

- Longer suspension when circumstances warrant

## Weather Policy

- Determined by the referee and league commissioner
  - Games are assessed 2 hours before game time when possible
  - If game is to be rescheduled you will be notified via email, DASC ASC website or social media platforms
- If before or during the game you see lightning or hear thunder the game will be suspended for 10 minutes
  - Everyone must return to their vehicles
  - If additional lightning strikes or thunder can be heard during this time, the 10 minute timer will be reset
  - The maximum suspension time will be 30 minutes
    - After 30 minutes, the game will be rescheduled/canceled
- Any game where the first half of the game has been completed following a weather cancellation, will be considered final
- Any game that is canceled due to weather in the first half will play the remaining time at a rescheduled day and time
- If the City of Sioux Falls advises no travel within city limits, all games on that day will be rescheduled
- If conditions are not favorable or safe, the DASC ASC Board reserves the right to reschedule some or all games
- A game can only be rescheduled once

## League Description

- Competitive (COMP)
  - Designed for players that have experience and knowledge of the game at a highly competitive level
- Intermediate (INT)
  - Designed for players that prefer a skilled level of play
- Kicks and Giggles 1 (KNG1)
  - These players have experience with soccer but don't want to play at a high level
- Kicks and Giggle 2 (KNG2)
  - Designed for players that are new to the game of soccer. These players prefer to play for fun and are less concerned with competition or winning

## Registration and Refunds

### Registration

- All players must have a release of reliability form on file to participate
- Team/player Requirements

- Must consist of
  - 8 Players Minimum (Indoor), 10 Players Minimum (Outdoor)
  - 14 Players Minimum (Indoor), 16 Players Maximum (Outdoor)
  - At least one female
  - Unless approved by the league commissioner
- Players must be
  - 18 years or older
    - Age verification required
      - Valid ID
      - Driver's License

## Refunds

- No refunds once the season has started
  - Exception
    - Permanent debilitating injury or pregnancy
    - Prorated refund given from the date of notification
- Teams can replace player
- Must be approved by DASC Adult Soccer Community Board

## DASC Adult Soccer Community Board

- Frank Gurnick
  - Director
- Tyler Soyer
  - Commissioner
- Jack Fehrenz
  - League Representative
- Leif Eidsmoe
  - League Representative
- Brook Wegener
  - Board Representative

## Disclaimer

- Ignorance of the rules, laws and bylaws of these leagues will not be tolerated as an excuse for breaking said laws and bylaws.