

# CWOSSA Boys' & Girls' Soccer

## A/AA/AAA

### Playing Regulations

#### I. Date

To be named in the annual CWOSSA Calendar.

#### II. Convenor & Location

To be announced in the annual CWOSSA Calendar.

#### III. Championship Structure

##### 1. Entries

Championship entries will be as published in the Championship Entries. This can be found in the CWOSSA Manual and the CWOSSA Website.

##### 2. Formats

i) The Championship Format will be as published in the Championship Formats. This can be found in the CWOSSA Manual and the CWOSSA Website.

##### 3. Game Length

- i) For an 8 team format. **All games ( Pool play, Semi-Finals, and Finals) will consist of two (2) thirty (30) minute halves with a five minute rest period.**
- ii) For all other formats all games will have two (2) forty minute (40) halves with a 5 minute half-time.
- iii) Tied games in pool play shall stand.
- iv) No team may play more than 3 games in a day.
- v) If a game is forfeited because of a team not being ready to play or for any other reason, the winning team will be awarded a 1-0 result.

##### 4. Tie Breaking Format for Pool Play

The tie-breaking criteria are applied one after the other until all teams are ranked.

###### i) 2 teams tied:

- i) winner of pool game between tied teams
- ii) most games won during pool play
- iii) goal differential (goals for minus goals against) in all pool games with a maximum of four (4) in any one game.
- iv) least goals scored against
- v) most goals scored for (maximum of four in any one game)
- vi) goals for divided by goals against (higher # advances)
- vii) (goals for minus goals against)divided by goals against(higher # advances)
- viii) penalty shootout

###### ii) 3 teams tied

- i) the team who defeated all the other teams in pool play
- ii) most games won during pool play
- iii) goal differential (goals for-goals against) among the 3 tied teams during pool play (maximum of 4 in any one game)
- iv) least goals scored against
- v) most goals scored for (maximum of four in any one game)
- vi) goals for divided by goals against (higher # advances)
- vii) (goals for minus goals against)divided by goals against (higher # advances)
- viii) penalty shootout (**see explanation below**)

In case of a three-way tie after each round of shoot-outs, teams will be ranked based on the % of shots that were made to the % of shots that were taken. If in the case two teams are tied in % their head to head record will decide their place. See example below: (Note: Percentages will no be rounded up.)

Round 1 – Team A (3/3) vs Team B (0/3)

Round 2 – Team A (2/5) vs Team C (3/4)

Round 3 – Team B (5/5) vs Team C (4/5)

Team A –  $5/8 = 62\%$

Team B –  $5/8 = 62\%$

Team C –  $7/9 = 77\%$

Team C placed 1st

Team A place 2nd (Defeated Team B in Round 1)

Team B – placed 3rd

## 5. Tied Games in Playoffs

- i) After regulation time there will be two (2) ten (10) minute halves played out in their entirety, regardless of any goals scored. There shall not be any rest interval between the two overtime periods. A coin toss shall occur prior to the overtime period to determine ball possession and starting halves.
- ii) If still tied, each team will select five (5) players from those on the field at the conclusion of the overtime. These five players will take penalty kicks alternately, the first team to kick being decided by a coin toss. The winner will be the team scoring the most penalty kicks;
- iii) If still tied, the remaining players shall take penalty kicks, (sudden victory) one from each team alternately, the winner being that team which is ahead after any pair of penalty kicks.

## IV. Playing Rules

- i) The Rules of Soccer as they appear in the F.I.F.A. Handbook shall govern play in the CWOSSA Championship with the following exceptions:
  - a) At the conclusion of each game, players and coaches shall line up along their respective sides of the mid-field line and shall advance and shake hands with their opponents.
  - b) **Substitution**
    - i) Unlimited substitution.
    - ii) May occur at goal kicks, goals scored and at half time.
    - iii) In the case of injury, substitution is permissible at the referee's discretion.
    - iv) Substitution for a **yellow-carded** player is **compulsory**. The yellow-carded player is the only player who may be replaced at that time and he may re-enter the game at a regular substitution period.
    - v) If a player receives a **red card** he must leave the field for the remainder of that game (no substitution allowed) and may **not** play in his team's next game in the tournament.
    - vi) A player who accumulates **3 cards** will leave the field for the remainder of the game in which he received the third card. Substitutions will be allowed at this time (if the third card was a yellow). Further, the player may not play in his team's next game.

## **V. Officials**

- i) The convenor shall be responsible for obtaining competent officials from the Southwest Soccer Referees Association.
- ii) For all games (Pool play, Semi-Finals, and Finals) 1 carded referee with 2 carded linesmen must be used.

## **VI. Inclement Weather**

In the case of inclement weather, a referee may suspend play for a period of time. If, after suspending play, the referee determines that the remainder of the game cannot be played, the game is classified as abandoned. If a game is abandoned, 75% of the game must be completed for it to be official. If 75% of the game is not completed, the game must be replayed in its entirety using the lineups from the original game, however, cards issued will be carried through.

## **VII. Uniforms and Equipment**

- i) Teams must provide a second set of uniforms or a set of legally numbered markets or a different colour in case two opposing teams have uniforms of a similar colour. A coin toss shall decide which team shall change.
- ii) Players MUST wear proper uniforms: shin guards (completely covered by socks), jerseys (tucked in) with numbers, proper footgear, no jewelry (rings, earrings, etc.).
- iii) The convenor shall be responsible for providing good playing facilities and equipment including goal posts with nets and corner field flags. Fields shall be clearly marked according to soccer regulations.
- iv) The convenor will provide suitable balls which are the same as the official OFSAA game ball.

## **VIII. Department:**

- i) A certified member of the teaching staff or a retired teacher must be present and responsible for the behaviour of the team members for the duration of the tournament. The Principal may designate a non-school person to coach with full privileges as long as a certified teaching member of the school concerned, or a retired teacher, accompanies that person. Such representation of the teaching staff must be present on the bench for all games in CWOSSA play. No CWOSSA game may start or continue without such a representative on the bench. (Bylaw 1, Section 3)
- ii) An adult, as approved by the Principal of the school, of the same gender of the athletes must be present and on-site for the duration of the Championship.
- iii) Registration materials will be given to certified member of the teaching staff or a retired teacher.

## **IX. Awards**

1. The CWOSSA plaque will be presented to the winning team.
2. Gold CWOSSA Medallions (20) will be presented to the championship team.
3. Silver CWOSSA Medallions (20) will be presented to the finalist team.

## **X. First Aid:**

Coaches shall "be responsible" and provide all consumable medical supplies (e.g. tape, ice, band-aids) for their athletes. First Aid personnel may be on site to assist with treatment of injuries.

## **XI. Sponsorship Policy and Uniforms at CWOSSA Championships**

1. All competitors are expected to dress in uniforms that are neat, clean and which maintain the integrity of the school's name, colours and logos.
2. No sport club insignia on uniforms or equipment shall be permitted in the competitive area. A sport club is defined as a community, provincially or nationally based organization whose primary purpose is participation in organized competition in single or multi-sport programs.
3. Sponsorship recognition is permitted to be visible but must conform with the placement guidelines outlined in By-Law 6. Section 2(h) of the OFSAA By-laws. This criteria must be met both on and in the immediate vicinity of the competitive area and during the awards ceremonies.