

# TEXAS SUMMER CLASSIC TOURNAMENT 2010

WHEN: August 13 – 15, 2010

WHERE: Craig Ranch, Al Ruschhaupt and FSC Soccer Complex, McKinney, Texas

## Information, Guidelines and Tournament Rules

### AGE DIVISIONS:

The Texas Summer Classic Tournament is for select, invitational and travel teams registered with the United States Youth Soccer Association (USYSA). The tournament is sanctioned by the North Texas State Soccer Association (NTSSA), USYSA and is open to all USYSA sanctioned boys and girls teams from U-11 through U19 and "Academy" Teams U-9 and U-10.

### REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS:

Please print out and bring your completed registration packet. Registration will be on Friday from 3:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at Craig Ranch. A team representative must be present for registration and inspection of documents. Players need not be present at registration. Teams from within NTSSA must provide a NTSSA roster (with player uniform numbers) signed by the coach of record and their local association registrar. An approved USYSA add/delete form must accompany any changes to a previously approved USYSA roster. Teams from outside NTSSA must submit an approved USYSA travel permit, a league roster with home association signature. Teams or players will not be allowed to participate without approved paperwork. A team representative must present one (1) copy of your official roster, including up to five (5) original guest player release forms. Notarized medical release forms for each player will be verified. **NON-NORTH TEXAS TEAMS:** Teams traveling from outside of North Texas must have their travel permit and roster prior to the beginning of the tournament. Teams from outside NTSSA must have approved USYSA ID cards for each of the players, including up to five (5) guest players.

*It is the Coach/Manager's responsibility to make sure they have all the required documents.* Please make sure you get the Score Cards at registration.

### GAME INFORMATION:

All teams are scheduled to have three preliminary games. Semi-Final and Final games are scheduled for Sunday. Teams will be seeded within each age group with brackets and playoffs structured to optimize the probability of the best two teams reaching the finals. The tournament director may modify game lengths if deemed necessary. In the event of inclement weather, the Tournament Director has the authority to restructure or cancel the tournament. It may not be rescheduled, and no refunds issued. A team withdrawing from the tournament after being accepted shall forfeit its entry fee.

A minimum of seven (7) players is required to start a match. A team with less than seven (7) players will forfeit the match. Academy Game Format: U9 = 9v9 and U10 = 11v11.

**Team Standing and Tie Breakers:** Team standings will be based on the following scoring system:

<b>Win =</b>	6 points, plus 1 point for each goal scored, (max of 3 goals)
<b>Tie =</b>	3 points, plus 1 point for each goal scored, (max of 3 goals)
<b>Loss =</b>	0 points, plus 1 point for each goal scored, (max of 3 goals)
<b>Bonus =</b>	1 point is awarded for a shutout
<b>Forfeit =</b>	Scored as a 3-0 win and a total of 9 points will be awarded

Winner, runner-up, and wild card teams will be determined in the following priority: (1) Point Total (2) Head to Head (3) Goal difference (4) Goals scored (5) Fewest goals allowed (6) Fewest expulsions. In the event of a tie after these criteria FIFA Penalty Kicks.

In age groups with crossover brackets, teams with the highest points will advance.

Each team and the referee will report scores. **The coach must verify the posted score prior to the team's next game.** If any discrepancy between the two reported scores, then the referee's score will be final. **If, in the first round of the championship series, the predetermined pairings result in two opponents from the same bracket, realignment of the pairings will be made. No semi-finals for 4 team bracket games.**

**Score Cards:** The Score Cards **must be** complete with all information.. AFTER each game, the Score Cards are to be completed with official scores and marked if any yellow or red cards were issued. Score Cards must be signed by both your team and opposing team's manager or coach.

Each team must turn in the **Score Cards** within 30 minutes after completion of the match; it is very important that you do this so that we can update the scores immediately. **Failure to comply will result in the score being recorded as reported by the referee or the team that turns in their scores, or a loss for both teams.**

**Game Roster/Misconduct Report:** The Game Roster/Misconduct Report must be verified at registration with the information at the top of the form complete with roster listed. The Report is given to the Referee BEFORE each game. At the conclusion of each game, the Game Roster/Misconduct Report is to be completed by the Head Referee with official scores and any misconduct information and signed. The Head Referee will ensure that the Game Roster/Misconduct Report forms are properly completed and presented to the Headquarters Tent.

**GAME TIME:** Kickoff will be at the scheduled time unless games are delayed. Each team must be ready to play at the scheduled time or immediately after the conclusion of the previous game as determined by the referee, or the team is subject to forfeiting the match after 10 minutes.

Division	Ball Size	Preliminary Games	Championship
U9 – U10	4	2 x 25	25 min. halves
U11 – U12	4	2 x 30	30 min. halves
U13 – U15	5	2 x 35	35 min. halves
U16 – U19	5	2 x 35	35 min. halves

**TIES** will stand in Preliminary Games. Semi-final and final games that are tied at the end of regulation go straight to FIFA penalty kicks.

**GAME SCHEDULES:** Game schedules will be posted on our website at [www.AYSES.com.com](http://www.AYSES.com.com) and at each playing complex.

**AWARDS:** Awards will be presented to First and Second place teams immediately after each final game.

**TOURNAMENT RULES:** The tournament rules shall be FIFA Laws of the Game modified herein.

**INCLEMENT WEATHER PROCEDURE:** The tournament hotline number is **972-738-9099**.

**PLAYING CONDITIONS:** The home team is listed first or on top in the schedule. Both teams will occupy the same side of the field. Parents and un-rostered visitors will occupy the opposing side from the teams. All players on a team must wear numbered jerseys. Each team must have an alternate color jersey for each player in case of color conflict. In case of uniform conflict, the home team is responsible for changing to an alternate color; however, the visitor must arrive wearing their darkest uniform. This is to circumvent a problem where the visiting team wants to wear white to force the home team into a darker uniform. Each team will present a ball to the referee for his selection. In case of inclement weather, the Tournament Committee will determine if games are to be played. Once the game has started the decision rests with the Referee. If any games are canceled, it is up to the coaches or managers of the teams to check with the tournament hotline for rescheduling information. Games shall be considered complete if one half of the game has elapsed. The score at the stoppage of play will be the final score. If one half has not elapsed and the game is stopped, a suitable conclusion will be reached either by a reschedule of the game (continuing from the time the game was stopped) or penalty kicks (time and weather permitting) and ONLY if it affects the outcome of the tournament. The City has the ultimate authority in determining whether or not the fields are playable. If the tournament is canceled before the completion of the preliminary rounds of play, no winner will be declared. The tournament will not be rescheduled.

Players may be substituted with the consent of the field referee at the following times:

1. Prior to a throw-in in your favor.
2. Prior to a goal kick by either team.
3. After a goal by either team.
4. When the referee approves an injury substitution by one team, the other team may substitute an equal number of players.
5. At half time.
6. When the referee stops to caution a player, only that player may be substituted prior to the restart of the game.
7. No player shall leave the field of play without the consent of the referee.
8. Players shall enter and leave the field at mid-field.

**PLAYER'S ELIGIBILITY AND APPLICATION:** The maximum roster size for Academy U9 is 14 and U10 is 16 with no guest players. Select teams U11-U16 roster size is 18, U17 and U18 is 22. A maximum of 5 guest players will be allowed for select teams. Each team must be able to present its validated tournament game roster and player cards (if from outside NTSSA) to the Tournament Official prior to the start of each match, if requested. A player may play for only one team in the tournament and must be listed on the approved roster. If a player plays in a game and is not properly registered, the team will automatically forfeit that game and may face further penalties as determined by the Tournament Director and/or Home Association.

No Player may play with a HARD cast even if it is padded. Please note that per FIFA Laws of the Game, the wearing of shin guards by players is mandatory. No player will be allowed to play without shin guards. All other equipment related issues will be left to the discretion of the referee.

**TEAM DISCIPLINE North Texas Rule 3.11.2.3 “CUMULATIVE CARD SYSTEM”** for each tournament will be operated as follows:

a. **Yellow Cards** One game automatic suspension for the game following an individual’s third yellow card. Two game automatic suspension for the game following such individual’s fifth yellow card of the tournament. One game automatic suspension for the game following such individual’s sixth yellow card of the tournament.

***NOTE:** A player/coach/assistant coach receiving a second yellow card in a single game is suspended for the balance of that game, and those two yellow cards are then added to such individual’s previous total of yellow cards for that tournament to determine whether additional game suspensions, if any, are required. Red cards issued solely as a result of a second yellow in a single game will not be added to such individual’s tournament play red card total.*

b. **Red Cards** One game automatic suspension for the game following an individual’s first red card of the tournament. Automatic suspension, pending a hearing, from all NTSSA-sanctioned activities following such individual’s second red card of the tournament. Red cards issued solely as a result of a second yellow card in a single game will not be added to such individual’s tournament play red card total.

***NOTE:** In cases where, during a single game, an individual receives a yellow card followed by a “straight red card” (as opposed to a red card issued solely as a result of a second yellow) both cards will be added to such individual’s respective total of tournament play red and yellow cards and punished accordingly. If Tournament Officials determine a red card was issued for an infraction that was not an “expulsion” offense in accordance with the **FIFA Laws of the Game**, such officials may reduce the red card to a yellow card and assess sanctions accordingly. The Tournament Officials may not, however, do away with the card altogether. A full report of this action must be sent to **NTSSA**.*

c. **Seventh Card** Any individual obtaining a seventh card in tournament play shall be immediately suspended pending a hearing with NTSSA A&D Committee (meaning any combination of yellow and red cards totaling seven)

d. The Sit-Out Verification Form (used for any player, coach, manager, or spectator, sitting out a game due to disciplinary action) must be signed by the referee. Any individual that has been ejected must leave the field area within two minutes of the ejection or the game will be forfeited. Ejection for fighting or violate conduct will automatically result in the person not being allowed to participate in the remainder of the Tournament. The Coach is responsible for the actions of verbal and physical abuse of referees by his/her spectators. Such abuse will not be tolerated.

**TEAM PROTESTS AND APPEALS: *Protests can only be made by the coach or manager.*** Protests and appeals will be allowed only if the Referee has misapplied the rules of the game or if a team uses an ineligible player. The offended team may file a protest by submitting in writing, the nature of the violation within two hours of the incident, along with \$250 in cash to the Tournament Director. If the protest is upheld, the fee will be returned and corrective action as determined by the Tournament Director will be taken. The Tournament Director must determine that the violation defined by the written protest materially affected the outcome of the game. The decision of the Tournament Director will be final.

**MATTERS NOT PROVIDED FOR:** Any situation or questions on rules of competition not covered herein will be governed by NTSSA and USYSA Administrative Rules books, in that order. Any matter not provided for in Tournament rules or NTSSA or USYSA rules shall be determined by the Tournament Director, whose decisions shall be final. There are NO Dogs or Pets allowed at the fields. Consumption of alcoholic beverages on City of McKinney facilities is against the law and will not be allowed. There is NO smoking allowed at the fields.