

2018 Elmbrook United Select Cup Tournament Rules

RULES

I LAWS OF THE GAME

All games will be played in accordance with WYSA/USYSA/FIFA Laws except as noted herein.

II ELIGIBILITY

- A. AGE: Players must be born in or after the following years: U11 - 2008; U12 - 2007; U13 - 2006; U14 - 2005; U15 - 2004; U16 - 2003; U17 - 2002; U18 - 2001; U19 - 2000.
- B. TEAM COMPOSITION
 - 1. Maximum 14 players per roster for U11 & U12. Up to 3 guest players allowed.
 - 2. Maximum 18 players per roster for U13 – U16. Up to 3 guest players allowed.
 - 3. Maximum 22 players per roster for U17 – U19. Up to 3 guest players, suiting 18 players per game.
 - 4. All teams must present approved medical releases for each player.
 - 5. An official roster, signed by the USYSA District or State Registrar must be presented at registration.
 - 6. A player can be rostered with one team only and will not be allowed to switch teams.
 - 7. Each player U11 and above must have a valid, current USYSA player pass. No alternate form of identification allowed. Passes will be checked at registration and before each game.
 - 8. No roster changes allowed after registration.
 - 9. Teams should check in with the field marshal 30 minutes prior to each game.

III SUBSTITUTIONS

- A. Unlimited, with referee consent.
- B. When play is stopped for an injured player and an attendant enters the field of play, the injured player must leave the field and can be replaced.

IV DISCIPLINE

- A. Players
 - 1. Red-carded players will be banned at a minimum from the current game and the next scheduled competition. (Two yellow cards in the same game equal a red card.) Players red-carded for violent conduct or foul or abusive language may be suspended for the rest of the tournament (up to the discretion of the Tournament Director) or longer (up to the state association).
 - 2. Any player receiving three yellow cards during the tournament will be suspended from the following game.
 - 3. Use of a suspended player will result in forfeiture of the game in which the suspended player was used.
- B. Coaches and Spectators
 - 1. Harassment and intimidation of officials and players will not be tolerated. Referees may temporarily stop games or suspend play if faced with persistent sideline harassment or intimidation. In the case of a game suspension, the Tournament Director is empowered to decide the outcome of the game.
 - 2. Ejected coaches will be subject to the same consequences as red-carded players.
 - 3. Coaches will be held responsible for the behavior of the team's supporters.
 - 4. In accordance with the USSF regulations, the issuance of red cards and other matters involving the conduct of a team, its players, coaches, and supporters will be recorded by Elmbrook United and such information will be reported. All matters involving referee assault or abuse shall, in accordance with USSF Rules be referred immediately to the proper state association and/or police.

V GAMES AND FINALS

- A. Duration (all games will have a five minute half time break)
 - U11 & U12 2 X 30 minutes 8v8 format
 - U13 – U19 2 X 35 minutes 11v11 format
- B. The Tournament Director reserves the right, due to weather or other conditions, to:
 - 1. Delay the start of any games
 - 2. Relocate any games
 - 3. Reduce up to 50%, the duration of any game
 - 4. Cancel a game with no bearing on the championship
 - 5. Cancel games or the tournament
- C. The team listed first is the home team and will kick-off the first half attacking the north or east goal.
- D. Teams will occupy the same side of the field. Parents and spectators are required to sit on the same side of the field opposite their players.

VI SCORING

- A. 3 points for a win, 1 point for a tie and 0 points for a loss.
- B. Forfeits: The winning team will be awarded a 3-0 victory. A minimum of five players at U10, six players at U11 & U12, or seven players U13-U19 is needed to play.
- C. Failure to show: Any team quitting the field of play before the conclusion of a game is automatically disqualified from the tournament and is not entitled to any refund for any reason. In addition, the team will be fined \$200 and the team’s state association will be informed of the misconduct with a recommendation for further action.

VII TIE BREAKER RULES

A. Qualifying Rounds

- 1. Head to Head competition (unless more than 2 teams are tied for points)
- 2. Most games won (rarely applicable)
- 3. Goal Difference: Goal Differential up to a maximum of four (4) goals per game, positive (+) or negative (-). Highest Goal Difference advances.
- 4. Fewest goals allowed.
- 5. Goal Points: One (1) point for each goal scored – to a maximum of four (4) goals per game. Goal points can be awarded regardless of winning. Highest goal points advances.
- 6. Adjusted Goal Ratio (AGR): Total goals scored divided by goals allowed after adjusting for goal difference to four (4), e.g.,

<u>Team A</u>	Actual Score	Adjusted Score	<u>Team B</u>	Actual Score	Adjusted Score
	7 – 2	6 – 2		6 – 2	6 – 2
	5 – 2	5 – 2		6 – 2	6 – 2
	2 – 8	2 – 6		1 – 5	1 – 5
	Totals	13 – 10		Totals	13 – 9

Team A: AGR = 13 divided by 10 = 1.3

Team B: AGR = 13 divided by 9 = 1.44

The team with the lowest AGR will advance because this insures that the team with the most goals scored will advance over a team with fewer goals scored. Therefore, Team A advances in this scenario.

- 7. Penalty kicks, coin toss, or mini game depending on circumstances. The choice is at the discretion of the Tournament Director.
- 8. Tie breaking methods are designed to discourage teams from running up the score. A Wildcard team will not be assigned to play the winner of its own group in single elimination play.

B. FINALS AND SEMI-FINALS

- 1. 2 X 5-minute Overtime Periods (no Golden Goal)
- 2. FIFA “Kicks from the Mark” (5 - 5) rules apply, and then sudden victory if still tied. Team to kick first determined by coin toss.
- 3. Awards are only given to team member present at time awards are distributed.

VIII EQUIPMENT & PLAYER PERSONAL ATTIRE

- A. All uniforms must be properly numbered and displayed.
- B. In case of color conflict, the team listed first (Home Team) must change their jersey.

IX PROTEST

All protests must be made in writing by the Team Coach and submitted to a Tournament Official within one hour of the completion of the game in question. The Tournament Director or Manager’s interpretation of the rules and protest will be final.

X CANCELLATION POLICY

Under no circumstances whatsoever will Elmbrook United, Inc., Tournament Director, Tournament Manager, Committee Chair , or any of their official representatives be responsible for any expenses incurred by any team. This includes a situation whereby the Tournament or any game(s) is canceled in whole or part.

XI REFUND POLICY

The tournament entry fee is non-refundable. Each team is scheduled for a minimum of 3 games. If a team does not get 3 games due to the tournament being cancelled in whole or part then the team will be given a \$100 rebate toward next year’s tournament entry fee.

ALL REFEREE DECISIONS ARE FINAL