

# 2010 Pacifica Fog Classic AYSO Open Invitational Tournament



## Tournament Rules

### 1) JURISDICTION

A. Unless otherwise noted, the current AYSO National Rules and Regulations and FIFA Laws of the game will be used for this tournament. The following rules are intended specifically for this tournament only.

B. The Tournament Committee (Tournament Director and other designated staff) will have jurisdiction over all games played. Disputes will be resolved by the end of the soccer day. Referee judgment calls are NOT subject to dispute or protest!

### 2) FEES

A. Entry fee, referee form and deposit must accompany signed eAYSO roster. They will be returned if application is not accepted. Fee must be a single check issued from the respective region account (no personal checks).

B. Fees are: U-10 \$450 (\$350 entry fee plus \$100 referee deposit), U-12 \$475 (\$375 entry fee plus \$100 referee deposit), U-14 \$500 (\$400 entry fee plus \$100 referee deposit), U-16/U-19 \$500 (\$400 entry fee plus \$100 referee deposit).

### 3) ACCEPTANCE

A. Applications are due by April 1, 2010.

B. Applications will be accepted on a first-come basis, based on completed applications.

C. Teams not accepted into the tournament will be refunded within 48 hours or offered the opportunity to be placed on a waiting list.

D. The primary form of communication between the Tournament and applying teams will be email and the Tournament website. Teams must designate a contact on their application who has email and internet access.

### 4) REFUNDS

A. Teams withdrawing by April 1, 2010 will be issued a full refund.

B. Teams withdrawing on or after April 2, 2010 will only be issued a refund if a replacement team can be found.

C. For teams that are eligible, referee deposit refunds will be mailed no later than 14 days after the end of the tournament.

### 5) CANCELLATION

A. If the tournament is cancelled due to weather after partial completion and it cannot be rescheduled, refunds will be made to teams on a prorated basis, based on the number of actual games played.

# 2010 Pacifica Fog Classic AYSO Open Invitational Tournament

B. If the tournament cannot be held due to weather or other conditions beyond the control of the tournament hosts, a full refund will be sent to all teams.

## 6) PLAYERS/TEAMS

A. All players must be registered and have played in the AYSO 2009-10 primary season. Coaches are responsible to ensure that all players meet eligibility requirements.

B. The team roster must be printed out of eAYSO, verified and approved by each player's Regional Commissioner. Roster changes may be submitted (with the written approval of the Regional Commissioner); however, these changes must be received by the Tournament Registrar by April 23. There will be no roster changes allowed after April 23.

C. Three Guest Players (players from a different region or team) will be allowed for each team. However, the Guest Player will be required to have the approval of both the Guest Player's regional commissioner and the Host Team regional commissioner.

D. Roster:

Division	Players on Field	Roster Maximum
Under 10	7	10
Under 12	9	12
Under 14	11	15
Under 16/U19	11	18

E. All players must play at least half of each game. Violation of these player rules exposes a team to protest and renders them subject to forfeiture of game and possible disqualification at the discretion of the Tournament Director. There are no requirements to change goalkeeper assuming all players have played half the game.

## 7) COACHES

A. Each team must have two coaches – one Head Coach and one Assistant Coach. These coaches must be listed on the Official Team Roster. No team may have more than two coaches.

B. Each Coach must provide their AYSO Identification Number, be a currently registered AYSO volunteer, Safe-Haven certified, and AYSO trained at the age-appropriate level.

C. Coaches are expected to set the example for their team in exhibiting proper AYSO behavior and Kids Zone behavior. Coaches will be responsible for the behavior of the parents and spectators of their team. Coaches are expected to remain in the technical area during games and only enter the field of play as requested by the referee.

D. Negative comments or complaints about either the referee or the players are not allowed and may result in an ejection from the game.

## 8) REFEREES

A. Referees and Assistant Referees will be assigned by the Tournament Committee.

# 2010 Pacifica Fog Classic AYSO Open Invitational Tournament

B. Each AYSO referee must be AYSO trained and certified and have a current season volunteer form on file. Non-AYSO referees that are cross certified are also accepted.

C. A Center referee and two assistant referees will be assigned for each game.

D. Center Referees will be assigned to games as follows: U-10-- Regional Badge or higher; U-12 --Regional Badge or higher; U-14 --Intermediate Badge or higher, Advanced preferred; U-16 /U19--Intermediate Badge or higher, Advanced preferred.

E. All referees must be in full Uniform as defined by AYSO, including the Referee Badge. Referees not in uniform will not be permitted to referee games, and their team's referee deposit may be subject to forfeiture.

F. If nine assignments are successfully completed the team will be mailed a \$100 refund check by May 16, 2010.

G. Referees are expected to check in at the field at least 20 minutes prior to their assigned game. Failure to appear on time may result in a replacement referee being assigned to the field. Once a replacement crew has been assigned, they will have priority and the original crew must report to the check in table for alternative assignment. **Missing a pre-assigned game will jeopardize the team's \$100 deposit.**

H. Referees will be expected to uphold the tournament rules, AYSO guidelines and FIFA laws. Any failure of the referee to uphold these rules may be cause for dismissal from the tournament, and will place a team's referee refund in jeopardy.

## 9) FIELDS

A. All fields will be set up and taken down by the tournament staff.

B. Trash cans and recycling containers will be provided at each field. Teams will be expected to clean up all trash in their area before leaving.

## 10) FORMAT

A. All teams will play three qualifying games; two on Saturday and one Sunday morning.

B. In the U14G division, the four teams with the highest standing points will advance from qualifying games. In all other divisions, the top two teams from each flight will advance from qualifying games. There will be one championship game (first and second place) and one consolation game (3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> place) per division on Sunday afternoon.

## 11) CHECK-IN

A. Teams must check in Friday night at the Pacifica Community Center from 6:00-9:00 pm at 540 Crespi Drive, Pacifica, CA. Players on participating teams must have been registered and played in the AYSO Fall season. Rosters must be verified and approved by each player's Regional Commissioner and accompany AYSO player passes to registrar during check-in.

B. Each coach or team representative must provide AYSO Player Registration forms with original ink signatures for verification by tournament officials. You must also bring laminated Player ID cards with photo for each player and

# 2010 Pacifica Fog Classic AYSO Open Invitational Tournament

the two coaches on your team. You must have both the player registration forms and the laminated Player ID cards with you at all of your games. Field Marshalls will be checking them before every game.

C. A line-up card will be supplied for each game.

## 12) GAMES

A. All games will be played as scheduled by the tournament committee. If the second half of the game has been started and the game is canceled, the game will be considered complete.

B. Game duration shall be as follows:

	<b>Under 10</b>	<b>Under 12</b>	<b>Under 14</b>	<b>Under 16/19</b>
<b>Number of Players</b>	7	9	11	11
<b>Duration of Game</b>	20 min halves	20 min halves	25 min halves	30 min halves
<b>Championship and Consolation Games</b>	25 min halves	25 min halves	30 min halves	35 min halves
<b>Ball Size</b>	4	4	5	5

C. The home team will change jerseys or don pennies when there is a conflict of colors in uniforms. Both teams will sit on the same side of the field. Parents from both teams will sit on the opposite side. Only the players and two coaches are allowed on the players' side and all must remain within 10 yards of the center line.

D. Players, coaches and referees must check in at the field 20 minutes prior to scheduled game time. During this time the Field Marshall will check the coach and player cards and check the players' equipment. The games must start at the scheduled time. Any team which is not ready to play on time (after a 10 minute grace period) will forfeit their game. The score shall be marked as 1-0 with the winning team earning 7 points. There will be a 5 minute half time break. Any late running game must be completed 5 minutes before the starting time of the next scheduled game on that field. THE REFEREE IS THE ONLY OFFICIAL TIMEKEEPER.

G. SUSPENDED GAMES: The Tournament Committee may determine to end matches early if field schedule is behind due to game delays, interference, or if weather conditions provide unsafe conditions. The Tournament Committee will determine the outcome of any single game which is terminated prematurely (due to inclement weather, participant injury, or interference by outside party, etc.).

## 13) SUBSTITUTIONS

A. Substitutions will be made at quarters only. Each player must play half of the game.

B. If a team fails to play a player for half the game, a forfeit will be declared and the team will lose with a score of 1-0, or the existing score, whichever was greater. The only exception will be for an injured player that has been reported to the center referee before the start of play, or for a player injured during the game.

## 14) STANDINGS

**A. Standings for preliminary play will be determined on the "ten-point system" as follows:**

# 2010 Pacifica Fog Classic AYSO Open Invitational Tournament

WIN = 6 points TIE = 3 points LOSS = 0 points GOAL = 1 point (one point per goal scored up to a maximum of 3 per game, win or lose) SHUTOUT = 1 point (for an earned shutout, including a 0-0 tie) FORFEIT = 7 points (scored as a 1-0 win, no shutout points as it is not an "earned" shutout) RED CARD = 1 point penalty deduction for team. Two yellow cards received by one player in the tournament = 1 point penalty deduction for the team. Ejected Coach or Assistant Coach = 1 point penalty deduction for the team. The maximum points allocated for one game is 10.

**B. In the U14 Girls division, the four teams with the top point totals will move on to the Championship and Consolation games on Sunday afternoon. In all other divisions, the two teams from each pool with the top points will move on to the Championship and Consolation games on Sunday afternoon. If there are ties in the standings at the end of the three qualifying games, a tiebreaker shall determine the outcome. The following are the tiebreakers that will be used, in order, until a winner is determined.**

1. Head to head competition (how teams played against each other)
2. Lowest number of accumulated penalty points (deductions)
3. Fewest goals scored against
4. Difference between goals scored and goals allowed to a maximum of 3 goals per game.
5. The tournament director will arrange a shoot out to break the tie in seeding if both teams can be notified and a suitable location can be arranged. At the director's discretion, a coin toss may be substituted.

If a forfeit game exists for any reason, only 1, 2 & 5 will be used to determine tie breaker.

C. Standings will be updated on the scoreboards at each field and online.

## 15) ADVANCEMENTS

A. Championship and Consolation games will be played on Sunday afternoon. Previous points will be cancelled at that point.

B. Teams will play consolation or championship final matches. The advancing teams will be determined by points which were discussed in section 14.

## 16) CHAMPIONSHIP and CONSOLATION GAMES

A. All medal round matches ending in a tie will have two full overtime periods of five minutes in length with teams changing field direction after the first five minute period. In these matches, if still tied after overtime play, the game shall be decided by FIFA kicks from the penalty mark. Only those players on the field at the end of the second OT period are eligible to kick. A coin toss will determine which team takes the first kick. If there is still no winner after the first 5 kickers from each team, the remaining team members ON the field may kick one for each team until a round where one team has scored and the other has not. If ALL players on the field have kicked and there is still no winner, players kick again one per each team per round but do NOT need to follow the same order.

## 17) AWARDS

## 2010 Pacifica Fog Classic AYSO Open Invitational Tournament

- A. All players on the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, & 3<sup>rd</sup> place teams will receive a trophy or medal, as long as there are more than 4 teams in the pool. Awards are limited to the allotted number of allowed players per team and 1 coach and 1 assistant coach award.
- B. A tournament pin will be given to each player and 2 coaches per team.

### 18) CONDUCT

- A. Coaches will be expected to set a positive example for the team, and will be held responsible for the actions of their team including spectators. All spectators must remain behind the control line. Two coaches maximum per team, and they must remain in the marked coaching area (within ten yards either way from midfield).
- B. At the conclusion of each match, the referees will be required to complete a game misconduct report for all misconducts during the game, as well as any incidents of interference by spectators.
- C. Any coach or spectator ejected must immediately leave the vicinity of the playing field (out of sight and sound) and will be prohibited from attending the next scheduled game. Any player sent off (red carded) must immediately leave the vicinity of the game (under supervision of their parent or Safe Haven-certified adult), and may not return to the field of play during the current game, including for the post-game handshake, and may not be substituted for, and is suspended from participation in the next game. There will be penalty point deductions for all send-offs (see Standings rules). An ejected coach receives the penalty point equivalent to a player receiving a red card. Penalties may not be appealed.
- D. Any violent conduct red card or ejection will result in that player/coach/spectator being barred from the remainder of the tournament.
- E. If it is determined that an ineligible player has participated in a game, the team will forfeit all games in which that player participated illegally. Furthermore, if it is determined that the coach knowingly played a player illegally, that coach will be barred from further participation in the tournament.
- F. All Serious Incidents will be reported to the respective Regional Commissioner.

### 19) PROTESTS

- A. Referee judgment calls are FINAL and are not subject to protest or dispute.
- B. Protests regarding the eligibility of a player may be filed with the Tournament Committee at any time. If the Tournament Committee deems a player ineligible, that team shall forfeit all games in which that player participated.

### 20) MEDICAL/FIRST AID

- A. There will be a First Aid station at each field where participants may receive ice, etc. for minor injuries.
- B. There will be a designated first aid response staff member to respond to injuries on the field. Field marshals will communicate via cell phone to call the first aid staffer to the field where first aid is requested.

# 2010 Pacifica Fog Classic AYSO Open Invitational Tournament

C. If an injury is serious, the first aid staffer or Safety Director will have a mobile phone to call 911 for emergency response.

D. Directions to the nearest hospital/urgent care center will be available at the First Aid station.

## 21) UNIFORMS/SAFETY

A. All AYSO players must wear the approved AYSO uniform only, and all players on the same team must wear matching uniforms (goalkeeper excepted – may have a different jersey.)

B. Each player's uniform must be marked with a permanently-affixed unique number and may not exchange numbered jerseys with any other player during the game (including the goalkeeper).

C. Garments may be worn under the uniform (i.e. long sleeves, etc.) during inclement weather, however any exposed garments must match for all team members that choose to wear them.

D. Shin guards must be worn by all players.

E. Jewelry (including non-medical wristbands) or hard metal or plastic clips on clothing or hair will not be allowed.

F. Players will not be allowed to play with any type of cast or splint. Removal of any type of cast or splint at the field or surrounding area in order to participate shall disqualify the team member from game participation.

G. AYSO will not prohibit the use of knee braces by players in AYSO events and programs; providing that the brace is adequately covered and padded in the judgment of the referee, so as to eliminate the possibility of its causing injury to the other players on the field.

## 22) BLOOD-BORNE PATHOGEN POLICY

The following procedure will be followed to minimize the risk of infection by blood-borne diseases:

A. Any player or official who is bleeding must leave the field of play to receive medical treatment, and may not return until the situation is corrected (the bleeding has stopped and the wound is covered).

B. If there is blood on the uniform, it must be washed from the uniform and the uniform disinfected.

## 23) SMOKING & ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES.

## 24) DOGS PROHIBITED FROM ALL FIELDS

## 25) RULES INTERPRETATION

The Tournament Director retains the right to interpret and apply the tournament rules to the optimum benefit of all tournament participants. The Tournament Director may disqualify a team at any time if it is determined that they are not abiding by the Rules & Regulations. The Tournament Director will determine the outcome of any situation that is not described in the aforementioned rules and regulations.