



U.P.S.E.S. 2010 CENTENNIAL FESTA
SOCCER INVITATIONAL
SAN DIEGO, CA.

Tournament Rules/Guidelines

1. The tournament will begin at 9:30 A.M. on February 13, 2010. All participating teams shall be organized wearing the official uniform.
2. All games shall be played in accordance with FIFA laws and modified by USSA and Cal South.
3. Tournament play will begin at 10:00 A.M. each day of the tournament on two fields. Field A and Field B.
4. Each team will play the minimum of 3 bracket games, 2 games on Saturday and 1 game on Sunday. The following is an exception:
 - a. The Semi-finalist will play a 4th game on Sunday.
 - b. The finalist will play a 5th game on Sunday.
5. Duration of game as following:
 - a. Bracket play shall have the duration 30 minutes per half with 5 minutes intervals.
 - b. Semi-finals shall have the duration 35 minutes per half with 5 minutes intervals.
 - c. Finals shall have the duration 35 minutes per half with 10 minutes intervals.
6. Game Check-In as following:
 - a. Teams must check-in with the field tournament committee rep twenty minutes prior to the start of every game. Failure to do so can result in forfeit. Field tournament committee rep and or referee will check player identity cards and players equipment prior to each game. Coaches and player identity cards will be kept with the field tournament committee while team is in the tournament.
 - b. Failure to have seven (7) players within 5 minutes of the scheduled game time constitutes a forfeit.
 - c. Each team is responsible for cleaning up trash on field areas after each game. Please help us keep the area clean. There will be staff that will provide you with trash bags if needed.
7. Substitutions as following;
 - a. Substitutions shall be unlimited. Players must enter from the center of the field. Substitutions may be made with the consent of the referee at the following times:
 1. FIFA substitution rules apply, with the exception that unlimited substitutions may be made at the discretion of the referee.
 2. Substitution can be made at any dead ball situation, by either team, unlimited at the discretion of the referee.
8. Fields and Game Equipment as following:
 - a. Players (excluding the goal keeper) must wear numbers on the back of their uniforms and these numbers will coincide with those listed on the team's Official roster.
 - b. **PLAYERS ARE REQUIRED TO WEAR SHINGUARDS IN ACCORDANCE WITH FIFA LAWS OF THE GAME. NO JEWELRY MAY BE WORN.**
 - c. When uniform colors are similar, the home team will change colors. Home team is listed first on the schedule.

- d. It will be at the referee's discretion to determine the safety and suitability of player equipment including the wearing of a brace. Casts are allowed in CSA if padded and the referee considers them to be safe.
9. Conduct and Discipline as following:
 - a. Coaches have total responsibility for the conduct of their players, bench, and spectators at all times.
 - b. If referee must terminate a game for misconduct of players, bench, or spectators, the offending team will forfeit the game. At the Tournament Director's discretion, the offending player and/or team may be banned from further participation.
 - c. Alcoholic beverages are NOT permitted at sites. NO smoking, No foul and abusive language.
 - d. Yellow and red card penalties will follow FIFA rules. Coaches and players ejected will be suspended for the next match as a minimum. A disciplinary committee will review all ejections and whether further disciplinary action will be needed.
 10. Competition format as following:
 - a. Three points are awarded for a win, one point for a draw, and no points for a defeat
 - b. If two or more teams are equal on points on completion of the bracket matches, the following criteria are applied to determine the rankings (in descending order):
 1. higher number of points obtained in the group matches played among the teams in question;
 2. superior goal difference from the group matches played among the teams higher number of goals scored in the group matches played among the teams in question;
 3. superior goal difference from all group matches played;
 4. higher number of goals scored;
 11. Playoff Round as following:
 - The top two teams will advance to the semifinals.
 - The winner of Group A will play the second place team of Group B.
 - The winner of Group B will play the second place team of Group A.
 - The semifinal winners will meet for the final.
 12. It essential that each team be PUNCTUAL throughout the duration of the tournament.
 13. Any issue that may arise during the tournament shall be resolved by the Tournament Committee and/or Tournament Director.
 14. The premise in use for this tournament is part of Parks and Recreation a Division of the City of San Diego. All participants, fans, and everyone in general linked to the tournament shall abide by all the applicable rules and regulations of the City of San Diego.