



2017 TURF BURN RULES AND ELIGIBILITY

The "TURF BURN" 7-A-Side adult soccer tournament is a recreational soccer tournament aimed at providing a fun and enjoyable weekend of soccer for all players, fans and volunteers.

1. Divisions

- a. Recreational Co-ed Division
- b. Open Co-ed Division

2. Player Eligibility:

- a. Recreational Co-ed Division: Maximum of one Division 2 male player per team. No current or previous national or professional level players. No current University, College, Division 1, Premier, Select or Metro male players. **Eligibility is based on the 2016/2017 soccer/school season.** No restrictions on female players.
- b. Open Co-ed Division: Open to all level of male and female players.
- c. All teams must submit a completed and signed Team Roster prior to the start of their first game. All individual players must sign in at the registration desk before participating in game play. For the playoffs, players can be added at the registration desk up until the start of the team's 1st playoff game.
- d. **Teams found to have played games with ineligible players may be removed from the event. We encourage any players suspected of being ineligible to be brought to the organizers attention.**

3. Rules of Play

- a. FIFA rules of play apply with the following exceptions:
- b. Slide tackles are not permitted under any circumstance.
- c. Goaltenders can slide to meet the ball with hands or torso but cannot slide feet first. (new 2016)
- d. Drop kicks or punts are not permitted from goalkeepers (new 2016)
- e. The number of players on the field per team is 7 including the goalkeeper. **Teams must have three (3) male and three (3) female out players on the field at all-time.** Goal Keepers can be male or female.
- f. Playing time consists of 2 halves of 25 minutes with a 5 minute half time break.
- g. There are no off sides.
- h. Subbing on the fly should happen at the half line. If a team gains an immediate advantage by having a sub enter the field before the other player is off, it will be treated like a foul (new 2016)
- i. The ball is brought into play from the sidelines by a kick-in; kick-ins are in direct.
- j. Corner kicks are direct kicks
- k. If a red card is issued or two yellow cards are issued to the same player in one game, the player will be required to leave the field and will be suspended from participating in the following game. The team may not adjust their male/female ratio. In this instance, the team will not be allowed to replace the penalized player on the field for the remainder of the game. A player receiving a second red card will be expelled from the tournament.
- l. **Shin pads are required.**
- m. Points will be awarded as follows: three points for a win, one point for a tie. Standings at the end of the preliminary games will be determined by points, in the event there is a tie goal differential will be used.

4. Playoffs

- a. In the event of a tied score at the end of a playoff game, the game will go to one 5 minute sudden death overtime, followed then by a sudden death shoot out.
- b. The Open Division will have a playoff based on the number of teams registered - all teams in the Open division will be guaranteed at least one playoff game.
- c. The Co-ed Division will be divided into a "A" and "Beer" division playoffs based on standings after the preliminary games.
- d. Playoff draw to be determined during the "Social Hour" after all round robin games have been completed.