

# **2016 HNNS YOUTH TOURNAMENT RULES**

## **Mississauga, Ontario – July 2-3, 2016**

### **1. Laws of the Games**

All games will be played in accordance with the FIFA Laws of the Game as observed by the Ontario Soccer Association.

### **2. Application to Travel**

All participating teams not registered through the Peel Halton Soccer Association must produce an Application to Travel approved by their local District/State Association.

### **3. Liability Insurance**

Proof of Medical and Personal Liability Insurance for all players and coaching staff is required at time of team registration (for teams outside Ontario only). The tournament host, its members, the Peel Halton District Association and/or any tournament sponsors will not be held liable for any injuries sustained in the participation in the Tournament on or off the field.

### **4. Registration**

All tournament fees are non-refundable. Each team must provide a tournament roster and each player/team official competitive book/card at time of registration. No additions to the submitted roster will be permitted. All teams are expected to have their books/cards available for inspection prior to each game. Each roster is permitted to have 3 “guest” players (players not currently registered with their club) who also need valid district/state association documentation.

## **5. Tournament Roster and Game Roster Size**

The tournament roster will be unlimited number of players, however, the maximum number of players permitted to participate in a game is as follows:

- i. U8 maximum roster size is 10 players
- ii. U9 & U10 maximum roster size is 12 players
- iii. U11 & U12 maximum roster size is 16 players
- iv. U13 to U18 maximum roster size is 18 players

## **6. Size of Ball**

Teams from U8 to U12 will use a size 4 ball. All other teams will use a size 5 ball.

## **7. Game Sheets**

- a. Both teams shall complete their game sheet and provide them to the Field Convener prior to kickoff. Each sheet must be completed in full.
- b. Only the team officials that have signed the game sheet are allowed on the team sideline.
- c. Books/cards will be available and checked by the opposing team official(s) prior to kick-off. If players and/or team officials are not in possession of their books they may not participate in the game or sit on the bench.
- d. A player or team official arriving late will be allowed to participate in the game upon presentation of their registration book to the opposing team official(s). It is the responsibility of the team officials to ask the referee to make the game sheet available for late arriving players and/or team officials to verify the person's player book/card. There is no time limit on when a late arriving player or team official may join the game.

## **8. Team Officials**

- a. A minimum of 1 and a maximum of 4 team officials, which are carded to the team, shall be permitted to sit on the bench.
- b. Team officials will coach within the marked technical area or within one (1) meter of their bench. Team officials are not permitted to walk up and down the sideline or obstruct the view or passage of the assistant referee.

## 9. Home Team Responsibilities

The first team listed on the schedule is the home team. The home team will supply the game ball. If, at referee's discretion, the home team can't supply a suitable game ball, the away team will have the option of providing one. Where playing colours clash (at referee's discretion), the home team will change to distinct colours.

## 10. Duration of Play – all games have 5 minute halftime

- a. U8-U12 teams – 2 x 20 minute halves.
- b. U11-U12 teams – 2 x 25 minute halves
- c. U13 to U18 Teams - Preliminary Rounds – 2 x 25 minute halves. (All elimination games including: crossover games between 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place teams, if tied at the end of regulation time, will go directly to penalty kicks).
- d. U13 to U18 Teams - Semi-Finals and Finals - 2 x 30 minute halves. Teams tied after regulation time will play 2 x 5 minute halves. Teams tied after extra time will go to penalty kicks in accordance with F.I.F.A. rules.

***NOTE – U13 and U14 teams will not exceed 150 minutes of play per day. U15 to U18 will not exceed 180 minutes of play per day. There will also be a minimum of 1 hour break for each team between games***

## 11. Substitutions

- a. U8s Unlimited, on the fly
- b. U9 to U12 Unlimited at any stoppage in the game
- c. U13 to U18 - Unlimited substitution is permitted during a game, but may only be made at the following stoppages in play:
  - i. When a goal is scored
  - ii. On a goal kick
  - iii. At the beginning of the second half
  - iv. At the beginning of the first or second half of extra time
  - v. For an injured player at the referee's discretion
  - vi. Own throw in - opposing team can piggy back on that change
  - vii. All substitutions must enter and exit the field of play at the halfway line
  - viii. All substituted players must leave the field without delay

## 12. Additional match rules

### U8 – 10 only

- a. Offside - The offside rule does not apply.
- b. Free Kicks - free kicks shall be direct, except for free kicks within the penalty box that are normally indirect. Those kicks will be placed to the nearest point of the penalty box perimeter line and will also be direct for both the defending and attacking teams.
- c. Throw-In/Kick-In - U10 teams shall take a throw-in when the whole of the ball passes over a sideline and exits the field of play. The U8 & U9 teams shall take a kick-in when the whole of the ball passes over the sideline and exits the field of play. No goal can be scored directly from the throw-in or kick in.

### U8 – 12 only

#### Retreat Line

The retreat line will come into play when the ball has gone out for a goal kick or when the goalkeeper has the ball in his/her arms. The retreat line shall be marked at 1/3rd of the field. The use of field markers outside the field of play will indicate the retreat line. The ball is in play once it leaves the penalty area. All opponents must be behind the retreat line and cannot cross the retreat line until the ball:

- Is touched by a player of the team releasing the ball OR,
- Leaves the field of play OR,
- Goes over the retreat line (If the goalkeeper chooses to play the ball across the retreat line prior to the opposition crossing the retreat line).

#### Infringement

If the ball is not kicked directly out of the penalty area from a goal kick, goal kick is retaken.

## 13. Cancellation of Games

- a. The game shall begin and/or continue to be played unless, in the opinion of the Match Officials, the safety of the players and/or the quality of the field is in jeopardy.
- b. The game will be replayed in full if less than fifteen (15) minutes of the second half has been played, after which time the results of the match at the time of the stoppage shall stand. The Match Official shall be the sole judge of time elapsed.
- c. The Tournament organizing committee has the right to cancel or reschedule games for due to inclement weather.

## **14. Point System (only for U13 to U18; no scores or standings for U8 to U12)**

- a. 3 points will be awarded for a win
- b. 1 point will be awarded for a tie
- c. 0 points for a loss

## **15. Determination of Division Leaders**

Division leaders will be determined by the following criteria:

- a. Most points
- b. Performance head-to-head (not applicable to ties of 3 or more teams)
- c. Goal difference
- d. Goals for
- e. Goals against
- f. Coin toss

## **16. Coaching**

Coaches must choose their side of the field prior to the start of the game and must remain within their side of the centerline. Coaching outside this area will not be permitted. Only team officials are permitted in this area. Team officials are reminded that they are not allowed on the field of play without the referee's permission.

## **17. Protests**

All protests must be in writing within one (1) hour of completion of the game in question and must be accompanied by a fee of \$50, refundable if the protest is successful. Protests regarding referee's decision will not be heard.

## **18. Failure to Show**

Any team failing to show for a scheduled game will result in forfeit of the game and WILL be dismissed from the tournament by the organizers and tournament fee will be forfeited. A result of 3:0 will be recorded in favour of the team(s) who should have played the team failing to show.

## 19. Disciplinary Action

The OSA published rules on discipline will apply including standard OSA penalties and suspensions for player misconduct as per the attached table. Any misconduct reports for coaches, other team officials or game officials shall be submitted misconduct reports to the District. The tournament organizer will utilize review of the circumstances by discipline committee. The District upon report will transfer unserved games to league play by the tournament organizer. Any player wishing to request a hearing (DBH) for the unserved games must submit a request to the District before the end of day Friday of the week following the Tournament.

Coaches will be held responsible for the behaviour of all spectators in their party. Any carded infractions will be reported to the District with whom the respective team plays under. Harassment or intimidation of the tournament host, its members, referees, players and team official will not be tolerated and may result in the offending team being suspended from the tournament and reporter to the District.

Any reports submitted to the District will be dealt with by a discipline hearing for all special incident reports and dismissal reports for coaches, other team officials and game officials. Reports involving individuals from other Districts, provinces or countries will be forwarded by District, as required.

The District will use discipline by review on all dismissal reports for players who were unable to serve the full mandatory minimum sentence at the tournament. The District will advise the player's club and regular league of any additional suspension imposed as a result of tournament discipline carryover. Any player (or player's club) wishing to request discipline by hearing must do so before the end of day Friday of the week following the tournament.

In the event (based on the reports which it reviews) the District discipline review committee decides that additional misconduct has occurred or that a serious foul play or violent conduct misconduct warrants more than the mandatory suspension, it shall advise the player by means of a discipline hearing notice that additional charges have been laid and a hearing has been scheduled.

<b>Infraction</b>	<b>Penalty</b>
Dismissed for receiving a second caution in the same game (neither offence directed at a game official)	1 game suspension
Dismissed for receiving a second caution in the same game (either offence directed at a game official)	2 game suspension
Dismissed for offensive, insulting or abusive language (not directed at a game official)	1 game suspension
Dismissed for offensive, insulting or abusive language (directed at a game official)	3 game suspension
Dismissed for denying an opponent a goal or an obvious goal scoring opportunity by deliberately handing the ball	1 game suspension
Dismissed for denying an opponent a goal or an obvious goal scoring opportunity to an opponent moving towards the player's goal by an offense punishable by a free kick or penalty kick	2 game suspension
Dismissed for serious foul play	2 game suspension
Dismissed for violent conduct	3 game suspension
Dismissed for spitting at an opponent or any other person, other than a game official	4 game suspension

