

# Tournament Policies

## Tournament Acceptance/Insurance Policy:

As a BC Soccer sanctioned tournament, entry into the Sunshine Coast Youth Cup shall be limited to teams, which are properly affiliated with BC Soccer and/or other Provincial/State Associations.

Teams participating from outside of BC must provide copies of approved travel documents prior to the tournament, for their team/players from the Provincial/State Association of which they are affiliated.

Only properly registered players, in good standing, shall be permitted to participate in the tournament.

All teams are responsible for all registration, permits and approvals within their club/district and/or any other jurisdiction and governing body. We are not responsible for confirming playing eligibility and/or insurability and trust all teams will comply with any/all policies put in place by their governing bodies in regards to player/team eligibility to participate in this, or any other sanctioned tournament.

## Guest Player Policy:

Teams may use the services of a guest players as long as the following conditions are met:

- A player is not on the roster of another team participating in the Sunshine Coast Youth Cup. A player can only play on one team in the tournament.
- If they are a team from BC and the player is not registered with BC Soccer teams must apply for a Short Term Event Player Permit for them a minimum of 5 business days before the tournament date. To obtain a permit please click [HERE](#) and download the form from the BC Soccer website. Once you have downloaded the form and filled it out send it to us at [coastsoccer@gmail.com](mailto:coastsoccer@gmail.com) and we will sign it and send it to BC Soccer for you, BC Soccer will then contact you to confirm the permit(s).
- Teams participating in an approved tournament, wishing to use the services of a player registered with another team, shall first obtain written permission from the team & Youth District and/or Adult League with which the player is registered. Players registered with BC Soccer must use the form found [HERE](#).

## **Refund/ Cancellation Policy:**

All registration fees for Sunshine Coast Youth Soccer Cup are due at the time of registration. Refunds can be requested up to April 15, 2025. An administration fee of \$50 will apply.

If the event is canceled due to any reasons beyond the control of the SCYSA, including Acts of God, teams may be eligible for the following:

- \* A rescheduling of the event in the near future
- \* A full or partial credit towards a future event
- \* A refund to reflect the remaining portion of the team's registration

All refunds must be requested in writing via email to [coastsoccer@gmail.com](mailto:coastsoccer@gmail.com).

SCYSA is not responsible for team travel related issues such as postponed/canceled flights or travel restrictions that may be imposed. Teams must take appropriate measures to consider coverage at the time of booking.

## **Player/ Coach/ Parent Conduct**

### **Conduct:**

SCYSA has a zero-tolerance policy for verbal and/or physical abuse of any referee by players, team officials, parents or spectators and will take any infraction seriously (potential suspension for entire event or team expulsion from the tournament)

Players, coaches, and spectators are expected to conduct themselves within the Laws of the Game and generally accepted good sportsmanship. Displays of temper or dissent are cause for ejection from the game and surrounding field area. Repeated violations may result in the suspension/expulsion of the team in question.

It is the responsibility of the Club/Team staff to control the conduct of its parents and other spectators. Failure to do so may result in a warning to the coach or person acting on the coach's behalf.

If unacceptable behaviour persists, the referee may terminate the match.

All participants should be aware that Field Marshals have the authority and right to remove any unruly or uncivil spectators from the game field perimeter and/or the field complex area.

Absolutely no alcoholic beverages are permitted in the park.

### **Discipline:**

Any player receiving a red card in a match is subject to discipline as follows:

- An automatic suspension of his/her next game
- Potential further review/suspension by the discipline committee
- 3 accumulated yellow cards in the first 3 matches will result in a suspension for the final match

The referee's decision in matters concerning the Laws of the Game is considered final. The Tournament Officials will not overrule a referee's decision.

### **Protests:**

Only protests regarding non-referee decisions will be permitted.

All protests will only be entertained if received, in writing, within one hour after the completion of the game in question. A \$250.00 fee, payable in cash, must accompany all protests. Protests and fees can be delivered to the tournament headquarters. The protest fee will be fully refunded if the protest in question is deemed valid.

### **Inclement Weather:**

In the event of inclement weather, the tournament director will have the authority to:

- Relocate or reschedule any game(s)
- Change the duration of any game(s)
- Cancel any game(s)

A game is considered complete if less than 25% of the time remains.

No refunds will be provided and SCYSA is not responsible for a team's out of pocket expenses in the event that the tournament is canceled due to weather.

### **Additional Information:**

- All teams are scheduled for four (4) games; however, at the discretion of the tournament director, the number of games may be reduced due to exceptional circumstances. The tournament is not liable for any expenses and no refunds will be provided.
- The tournament committee or their official representative will be responsible for any rule interpretation. Their decision will be final
- The tournament committee, event operations staff, volunteers and SCYSA are not liable for any injuries sustained by any participant in the tournament, on or off the field.