

Eclipse Select Spring Classic - Rules and Regulations

All players and coaches participating must be registered and in good standing with their local US Club Soccer/USYSA/USSF/FIFA organizations. All teams must register with their official roster from their sanctioning body, as well as have player and coach passes. Passes and waivers should be brought to all games and kept with the coach or team manager on site.

REGISTRATION

All teams are required to check in either in advance or at the registration site, Friday evening or Saturday Morning, 1 hour prior to first game.

US Club Soccer/USYS Team Requirements:

1. Team Roster: Approved State or US Club Roster
2. Player and Coach ID Cards
3. Travel Permit – If traveling from outside of your state
4. Guest Player Forms – Players borrowed from another team(s), even from within your own club are considered guest players and require a Guest Player Form.

US Club Team Requirements:

1. Official US Club Team Roster
2. Player and Coach ID Cards
3. US Club teams do not require a travel permit

Medical Release Forms – ALL teams must have hard copies or digital copies on hand on the sideline for all games.

Player passes will be checked against all received player information. Player passes must be readily available at the fields upon request.

PLAYER ELIGIBILITY

Players may be rostered at multiple playing divisions, however, only one team per division allowed. These players must be presented at Registration and must be listed on each team Tournament Roster.

HOTELS

This is a stay-to-play event. All teams traveling 100 miles or more are required to secure hotel accommodations through our team. Once you receive your tournament application acceptance, please contact Katie Milne at katie.milne@eclipseselect.org.

LENGTH OF GAMES & ROSTER SIZE

Game Duration: U8-10: (5v5/7v7) Size 4 ball, 2 x 25 minutes, U11-U12: (9v9) Size 4 ball, 2 x 30 minutes, U12-U14: (11v11) Size 5 ball, 2 x 35 minutes, U15-U19: (11v11) Size 5 ball, 2 x 40 minutes.

The tournament does not require the referee to add time to any game. Referee and Tournament Staff decision in these matters are final.

Roster Size: U8 (5v5) Teams: 12 players, U9 –U10 (7v7) Teams: 14 players, U11-U12 (9v9) Teams: 16 players, U12–U14 (11v11) Teams: 18 players, U15-U19 (11v11) Teams: 22 players/18 dressed players. Each team is allowed three (3) guest players.

GAME PROCEDURES

- All rules of play will follow FIFA Laws of the Game, unless stated otherwise in the tournament rules.
- All parents and spectators are required to sit on one side of the field opposite the players.
- In the event of a uniform color conflict, the home team changes jerseys. Teams must have an alternative set of jerseys.
- Forfeits: A team forfeits its match if it is not present or cannot field an eligible team more than 10 minutes after the scheduled game time. A forfeit is recorded as a score of 3-0.
- Substitutions shall be unlimited in for all age groups. Both teams may sub at any stoppage except for corner kicks.
- The Referee will not stop his/her watch for substitutions - only for serious injury or time wasting. Stopping watch or adding time is at the sole discretion of the center referee.
- No heading for age divisions U11 and younger per USSF guidelines.
- Buildout lines shall be utilized for ages U10 and younger, and U.S. Soccer rules related to buildout lines shall be enacted for the tournament (including offsides rules related to buildout lines to determine offsides).
- In the event that adverse conditions and/or weather necessitates rescheduling, curtailment, or cancellation of games, the tournament directors shall have absolute authority to make these changes to best serve the interests of the tournament as a whole, keeping in mind the need to successfully identify winners within a certain time period.
- All schedule changes will be communicated via email to the responsible party listed in GotSoccer on each team's registration.

TOURNAMENT SCORING/TIE BREAKING

Games in the preliminary rounds will be scored as follows: Win - 3 points, Tie - 1 point, Loss - 0 points

In the event of a tie in deciding group positions, the following criteria will be used to break the tie:

1. Head to head competition
2. Goal Differential (max 6 per game)
3. Most goal scored (max 6 per game)
4. Fewest goals allowed
5. Coin toss

In the event 3 teams are tied, the tie-breakers will be applied until one team is eliminated. We will then go back to the first tie-breaker and apply the rules again with the two remaining teams in sequence until a winner can be determined.

The Tournament Director will make all determinations of teams advancing.

The Tournament Director can adjust schedules to ensure that two teams from the same group will not play each other in the final if necessary

In semi-final and final games, if the game is tied at the end of regulation time, games will be decided by penalty kicks according to FIFA rules.

PLAYERS EQUIPMENT:

- All equipment must conform to USSF rules due to insurance regulation.

Protective equipment:

- All players in every age group will be required to wear FIFA approved protective shin guards at all times, while actively participating in a game.
- The Tournament endorses FIFA Law 4 on Safety which states "A player must not use equipment or wear anything which is dangerous (including any kind of jewelry)". "FIFA notes that, under the "Powers and Duties" of the referee in Law 5 - The Referee, he or she has the authority to ensure that the players' equipment meets the requirements of Law 4. Modern equipment such as headgear, facemasks, knee, and arm protectors made of soft, lightweight, padded material are not considered dangerous and are therefore permitted." Medical bracelets or necklaces must be taped or otherwise secured so as not to present a hazard and in a manner that the medical message can be clearly seen.

PROTESTS/EJECTIONS

- All referee decisions are final. No protests will be heard on any judgment calls by the referee.
- A player or coach, who receives a red card, will receive a minimum of a one game suspension. The tournament committee may increase that suspension if warranted.
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DISCLAIMER:

The tournament committee reserves the right to reschedule, relocate or terminate games due to weather conditions. If ½ of the game has been played before termination for weather conditions or tournament director decision, the game stands as a completed match and is scored accordingly. **NOTE:** the referee or Tournament Director may suspend a game without necessarily being terminated.

The Eclipse Select and Tournament officials are not responsible for any expenses incurred by any team in the event games are discontinued or canceled due to inclement weather or adverse field conditions. No refunds will be made unless the tournament is cancelled, in which case refunds will be disbursed on a pro-rata basis. The tournament Committee reserves the right to decide all matters pertaining to the tournament. The judgment of the Tournament Committee is final.

- Any serious complaint or misconduct of a team, its players, coaches, or fans will be reported to the respective organization and any referee assault will be dealt according to USSF Rule and Disciplinary Committee of their Sanctioning Body.
- The site directors have the authority and responsibility to remove any person(s) from the tournament for abuses of good conduct, in addition to any specific disciplinary action brought by any other authority.
- Tournament Directors may suspend any offending manager/coach/players for the duration of the tournament if further disciplinary action is appropriate.
- If a coach has multiple teams in the tournament, any suspension shall be applicable to each age group in which the infraction occurred unless further disciplinary action is taken against this individual.
- The tournament committee has the right to provide for special dispensation. If special dispensation is needed, please email the Tournament Director at eclipsournamentdirector@eclipseselect.org
- Violation of tournament rules may result in immediate elimination from tournament competition.
- We are guests at the facilities that host our tournaments. Please be courteous, follow facility rules and clean up after yourselves.

TOURNAMENT CONTACT: eclipsournamentdirector@eclipseselect.org