

# *AYSO Duke City Shootout Tournament Rules 2010*

## **I. Tournament Name and Location**

AYSO Duke City Shootout. All games played at the Farmers Insurance Soccer Complex.

## **II. Date**

May 22-23, 2010

## **III. Format**

The tournament is designed to provide a minimum of 3 games for each team in the U9/10 to U19 age groups. AYSO and non-AYSO teams are welcome.

## **IV. Registration**

- A.** The registration deadline is April 30, 2010. Applications received after this date may be considered, provided space exists. Teams with certified referees will receive priority.
- B.** Registration is considered complete when all required forms are filled in and received by the tournament registrar, and all required fees are received by the tournament treasurer.
- C.** Teams selected for participation will be notified by letter or e-mail within 48 hours of the application deadline.
- D.** The registration fee:
  - \$250.00 for U9-U12 teams
  - \$300.00 for U13-U19 teams
  - Additionally, there is a \$100.00 referee deposit  
(this deposit is **returned** to a team based on their referee Centering and/or AR'ing games – see section XV Referee Reimbursement Program for details).

Any AYSO team must submit their fee on a Regional Check.

- E.** Any team not selected for participation will receive a full refund immediately
- F.** Age Groups and Brackets
  - 1.** There will be separate divisions for Boys and Girls, following the groupings below:
    - U09: 08/01/2000 - 07/31/2001
    - U10: 08/01/1999 - 07/31/2000
    - U11: 08/01/1998 - 07/31/1999
    - U12: 08/01/1997 - 07/31/1998
    - U13: 08/01/1996 - 07/31/1997
    - U14: 08/01/1995 - 07/31/1996
    - U15: 08/01/1994 - 07/31/1995
    - U16: 08/01/1993 - 07/31/1994
    - U19: 08/01/1990 - 07/31/1993

2. Brackets for U9, U11, U13, and U15 will be established only if there are at least 4 eligible teams in each. If this number is not obtained, they will be combined with the next older bracket.
3. The date of age determination is the player's age on July 31, 2009.

**G. Roster Limits:**

Rosters for AYSO teams will be limited as follows:

- U9/10 will be limited to 10 players and 2 coaches.
- U11/12 will be limited to 12 players and 2 coaches.
- U13/14 will be limited to 15 players and 2 coaches.
- U15/19 will be limited to 18 players and 2 coaches.

Rosters for Club teams will be limited as follows:

- U9/10 will be limited to 10 players and 2 coaches.
- U11/12 will be limited to 14 players and 2 coaches.
- U13+ will be limited to 18 players and 2 coaches.

**H. All registered teams must attend a mandatory check in on Friday May 21<sup>st</sup> from 6:00 – 9:00PM at a location yet to be determined.**

At that time all teams must provide:

- Medical releases
- Player pass cards for each player

Additionally, the team must provide a photo copy or original signed roster, as described under "Player Eligibility", applicable guest player forms, and travel papers, if traveling from out of state.

## **V. Player Eligibility**

- A. All players affiliated with AYSO teams must be registered with AYSO, and must have played in a just completed or current regular season. Players on non-AYSO affiliated teams must be currently registered, and have fulfilled all playing obligations required by their league.
- B. All teams not sanctioned by AYSO must provide proof of liability insurance and accident reimbursement equal to or better than that provided by AYSO to its players.
- C. Coaches are responsible for ensuring that each player on the roster is eligible.
- D. The Regional Commissioner or equivalent league official must sign the roster form to affirm that all listed players meet the eligibility criteria.
- E. Player pass cards will be required, and must be presented at team check-in.
- F. The AYSO Duke City Shootout tournament is open to all U9 and up AYSO teams nationally, and all non-AYSO team U9 and up.
- G. Coed teams will be accepted; however they must play in the boy's divisions only

## **VI. Scheduling**

- A. All teams will be guaranteed three games. Four games will be scheduled, if possible.
- B. No team will be required to play consecutive games.

- C. Schedules will be available by May 16, 2010.
- D. In the event of unusual conditions requiring rescheduling, curtailment, or cancellation of games, the Tournament Committee will have the sole authority to make such changes in the best interests of the Tournament.
- E. Games that are discontinued due to weather will be rescheduled, if possible, for completion. If rescheduling is not possible, the score at the time the game was suspended will be deemed the final score.
- F. If the tournament is cancelled prior to application deadline, a full refund will be given.

In the event that the entire tournament must be canceled due to weather, or other uncontrollable events, teams will receive a full refund.

Teams that withdraw prior to the application deadline will receive a full refund. Teams that withdraw after the application deadline will receive full refund only if a replacement team is found.

No other refunds will be given.

## VII. Awards

- A. All participants will receive individual participation awards.
- B. Individual players and coaches of 1<sup>st</sup> - **first**, 2<sup>nd</sup> - **second**, and 3<sup>rd</sup> - **third** place teams will receive medallions.
- C. A sportsmanship award will be given to the team in each grouping which best exhibits good sportsmanship, as judged by the policy developed by the Tournament Staff.

## VIII. Game Conduct

All games shall be conducted in accordance with the current FIFA Laws of the Game and decisions of the International Board in effect.

## IX. Competition

- A. Players on the field:
  - Games for U13-U19 will be 11-a-side
  - Games for U11-U12 will be 9-a-side
  - Games for U9-U10 will be 7-a-side.
- B. Coaches shall not enter the field of play, unless requested by the referee. Only coaches and players will be allowed in the technical area.
- C. Coaches and Players from both teams will occupy the North or East side of the field. Spectators will occupy the South or West side of the field
- D. All games shall start on time. If a team is not ready to start a game within 5 minutes after the scheduled time, the game shall be deemed a forfeit, and recorded as a 1 - 0 win for the opposing team.
- E. Minimum Players to constitute a team:

- Seven (7) players for U13 - U19
- Six (6) players for U11 - U12
- Five (5) players for U9 - U10

A scheduled game shall not commence nor be continued if one or both teams cannot field the minimum number of eligible players. If a game cannot be started because neither team can field minimum number of players, each team is assessed a 0-1 loss. In this case, no points are awarded to either team.

**F.** The following point structure will be in effect:

Positive Points

- Win : 6 points
- Tie : 3 points
- Loss : 0 points
  
- Shutout : 1 point (including scoreless ties)
- Goals : 1 point for each goal scored, with a maximum of **three** (3)

A Maximum of 10 POINTS can be award per game

Negative Points

- Red Card (Send-Off) : Minus 2 point per card
- Coach Dismissal : Minus 2 point per coach dismissed

Please NOTE

- Forfeit : Recorded as a 1-0 win for the opposing team

**G.** There are no overtime periods, except for championship or consolation games (brackets that are determined by championship games).

**H.** Standing will be determined on the following priority bases:

1. Points awarded, as described in Section IX F.
2. Head-to-head result.
3. Goal differential (note: a maximum differential Goals of three counted per game)
4. Goals scored (note: a maximum of three goals will be counted per game)
5. Sportsmanship Points.
6. Coin Toss.

In championship and consolation games, the following will apply in the case of a tie at the end of scheduled time.

1. Two 5 minute extra periods will be played (10 minutes for U15 and older). The winner is determined **after** both periods are played.
2. IF both teams are still tied at the end of the two (2) extra periods, then Kicks from the Penalty Mark will decide the outcome.
  - Only players on the field at the end of the second overtime period may participate.
  - A minumum of five (5) kicks per team will be played (alternating per team).
  - The winner will be the team with the greater number of goals.
  - If after five (5) kicks per team, there is no winner – each team will receive an additional kick until a clear winner can be determined (i.e. one team scores and the other does not). Note: All players must kick once before any player kicks a second time.

- I.** Players “sent off” (issued a Red Card) from any game will not be permitted to play in the following game. Coaches requested to leave a game by the referee cannot be present at or coach their team's next game. Not present means not within 100 yards of the game field. All players under the age of 18 will be escorted off the field by a parent, guardian, or Safe Haven Trained Volunteer. If a parent or guardian is not present, the player will stay on the sidelines with the Safe Haven Trained Volunteer (away from the team) until a parent or guardian shows up or until the end of the game (at which time the player will be given over to the coach).
- J.** Game durations:
- U9/U10 will play 2 20-minute halves (total of 40 minute game)
  - U11/U12 will play 2 25-minute halves (total of 50 minute game)
  - U13/U14 will play 2 30-minute halves (total of 60 minute game)
  - U15/U16 will play 2 35-minute halves (total of 70 minute game)
  - U17-U19 will play 2 40-minute halves (total of 80 minute game)
- K.** All games will be played following the rules given in the AYSO National Rules and Regulations. Thus, all registered players in attendance at games must play at least one half of each game.
- L.** Players registered, but not present at the beginning of any game must be identified on the line-up card.
- M.** Substitutions (except in the case of injury) will be permitted approximately half way through each half at the stoppage of play identified by the referee, and the half. Monitored Free substitutions are allowed for U-16 and older and Tournament staff and/or field marshals will track game time.
- N.** The referee must be notified of all substitutions.
- O.** Substitution for injury is as follows:
1. If a player is injured, the coach may provide a substitute for the player, in which case the injured player may not return until the beginning of the next quarter. Only the player who is injured is credited with the quarter's play, regardless of the actual time played.
  2. The coach may choose to play 'short', thereby allowing the injured player to return during the quarter in which he/she was injured.
  3. The injured player must be recognized by the referee to legally return to the game.
- P.** Signed lineup cards must be completed by the referee and forwarded to the score-keeping area.
- Q.** Late arriving players shall be substituted as follows:
1. If the player arrives during the first quarter, the player must play a minimum of two of the remaining three quarters.
  2. If the player arrives during the second or third quarter, the player must play a minimum of one quarter.
- R.** Good Sportsmanship Rule:  
If there becomes a Goal Differential of 8 goals for U11 or above or 10 goals for U9/10 (after the first half of play), the game will HALTED and the current game score will be made final.

## **X. Officiating**

- A.** Referees shall at all times follow the Rules and Regulations of competition as defined by AYSO and the FIFA Laws of the Game.
- B.** Referees shall at all times put great emphasis on the welfare of the players and officiate the game in a manner conducive to fair competition and good sportsmanship.
- C.** If a player is injured, the referee, at his or her discretion, may stop play to ensure the welfare of the player even if the ball has not gone out of play.
- D.** USSF Referees must cross-certify with AYSO and be Safe Haven Certified

## **XI. Duties and Responsibilities of Coaches and Officials**

- A.** Each **AYSO** Coach must have:
  - A current season volunteer form on file with the NSTC
  - Provide their AYSO Identification Number
  - Be Safe-Haven certified

Both Head Coach and Assistant Coach must have Certifications as follows:

- U09-10 U-10 Certification or higher
  - U11-12 Youth Certification or higher
  - U13-14 Intermediate Certification or higher
  - U15+ Advanced Certification or higher
- B.** All coaches and officials must remember that they are important role models for the players. It shall be the duty of each coach and official to:
  - 1.** Conduct himself/herself in a manner promoting good sportsmanship.
  - 2.** At all times encourage clean competition and fair play.
  - 3.** Uphold the Tournament Rules.
  - 4.** Participate in positive coaching.
  - 5.** Present a healthy athletic environment for players. Coaches, officials and spectators must not consume alcoholic beverages or use tobacco products during games or in the immediate vicinity of the soccer fields.
- C.** Sideline coaching is limited to two coaches from each team. They shall be limited to a technical area that extends 10 yards on either side of the half-way line.
- D.** Negative comments and complaints about refereeing are not permitted.

## **XII. Field of Play**

- A.** Dimensions, marking, goal area, penalty area, corner area, and goals will be at the discretion of the Tournament committee. All efforts to conform to FIFA Laws will be made.
- B.** If applicable: any ball striking the football uprights is a dead ball. The game shall be restarted with a Goal Kick or Corner Kick, following the usual Laws.

## **XIII. Teams**

- A.** Roster Limits: see section IV - G

- B. Up to 4 Guest players from different Team(s), Regions, or Organizations will be allowed for each team. Guest Players are required to have the approval of both the Guest Player's Regional Commissioner/Organization President and the Host Team Regional Commissioner/Organization President (see Guest Player Form).
- C. A player may not play on more than one entered team.
- D. Teams discovered to have ineligible player(s) shall be disqualified from further competition. Previous matches played by a disqualified team will be recorded as 1 - 0 wins for the opposing teams, regardless of initial results.
- E. The Home Team is that which is listed first in the schedule.
- F. The Home Team shall change jerseys when there is a color conflict in uniforms. The Tournament will have some pennies available if needed.
- G. The Home Team shall occupy the Northern or Eastern side of the playing field.

#### **XIV. Player Safety**

- A. All Players must wear shin-guards in all tournament games.
- B. Players shall **not** be allowed to participate in any game with any type of cast or splint.
- C. It is recommended that all players wear soccer shoes, tennis shoes, or similar type athletic shoe. Players may wear metal cleats. The referee **MUST** inspect them to ensure that there are no burrs or sharp edges and, if they exist, burrs or sharp edges must be removed before the player is allowed to participate. Cleats that have toe cleats must be inspected by the referee to ensure they are safe to play in – some cleat configurations wrap the cleats across the toe, however, toe cleats like the ones found on baseball cleats are not allowed.
- D. Players shall not wear anything that is dangerous to themselves or another player.
- E. Players shall not wear jewelry of any kind.
- F. Any player with a medical alert necklace or bracelet may wear it in competition if secured to the body with clear medical tape.

#### **XV. Referee Reimbursement Program**

- A. Each Region (AYSO) or team (non-AYSO) will receive a refund of part of the referee deposit fee according to the following schedule:
  - 1. For each game centered by an accredited referee in uniform: \$25.00.
  - 2. For each game completed by a trained assistant referee in uniform: \$12.50.
- B. The refund is limited to \$100.00 per team. The total refund for each team for the entire tournament is \$100.00 -- the amount deposited.
- C. Only AYSO accredited referees (or AYSO cross trained USSF Referee's) will be permitted to center games.
- D. The tournament referee administrator will make all decisions on game assignments.

- E. To receive credit, the referee and assistant referees must sign the game report card, and legibly print their name and the name of the team that is to receive credit. This card must be returned to the field coordinator at the end of the game.

## **XVI. Medical Emergencies**

- A. The tournament will provide at the very minimum one individual stationed at the tournament operations tent.
- B. The Tournament Safety Director will be responsible for ensuring that there is coverage at the tent at all times.
- C. In the case of a medical emergency, the Tournament Safety Director will coordinate communications with local emergency services as needed
- D. Local emergency services will be notified of the date and times of the tournament in accordance with AYSO National Policy
- E. Field Monitors will be the first to respond to any incidents or injuries, and will be in contact with the rest of the tournament staff by radio. Tournament participants are encouraged to report any concerns immediately to the Field Monitor, and also to respectfully follow any instructions given by the Field Monitor.

## **XVII. Protests**

Protests will not be entertained. Period.