

**Tomah Youth Soccer Tournament 2009
Tournament Rules**

- 1. No protests will be allowed- the ruling of the referee is final!!!**
- 2. The rules of the Coulee Region Soccer Clubs (CRC) govern this tournament except where it is noted.**
- 3. AWARDS:**
 - a. Participation Medals will be given to all U7- U8 players.
 - b. For U9 and UP: Individual awards will be presented to all the players on the roster of the first place team, and medals for the second and third place team players.
- 4. Eligibility and Team composition**
 - a. **Maximum Roster Size:**

U7/8	10 Players
U9/10	12 Players
U11/12	16 Players
U13 & up	22 Players

- b. Three roster changes/substitutions/guest players prior to start of their first game. Teams with more than roster size make sure that attending players at any given game does not exceed the maximum allowable roster size. Players may be allowed to play one age up.
- 5. Game Length**
 - a. **All game length can be changed by weather if needed (determined by Tournament Officials).**

Age	U7/8	U9/10	U11/12	U13/14	U15-18
Halves	2X 20 min	2 X 20 min	2 X 25 min	2 X 30 min	2 X 35 min
Break	5 min	5 min	5 min	5 min	5 min

- 6. Uniforms/ Ball Size**
 - a. Home teams are the first team listed for each game. The home team must be prepared to change jersey color if there is a conflict. Each team must supply a game ball acceptable to the referee for play if it is not supplied by the tournament host.

Age	U7/8	U9/10	U11/12	U13/14	U15-18
Ball Size	3	4	4	5	5

- b. **Shin guards** must be completely covered by stockings.
 - c. No jewelry of any kind may be worn. This includes necklaces, earrings, bracelets, watches and rings. Medical tags may be worn if secured properly underneath the uniform.

- d. All glasses must be strapped. Plastic framed glasses are recommended.

7. Scoring:

Win	Tie	Loss	Shutout
6 points	3 points	0 points	1 point

- **One point will be allowed for each goal scored, with a maximum of three (3) points per game, win, loss, or tie.**
EXAMPLE 1: The result of a game between Team A and Team B was 4-4. Scoring for each team will be 6 (3 pts for the tie and 3 pts for up to 3 goals scored).
EXAMPLE 2: The result of a game between Team A and Team B was 4-2 to the advantage of Team A. Scoring will be for Team A: $6+3=9$, and for Team B: 2,
EXAMPLE 3: The result of a game between Team A and Team B was 5-0 to the advantage of Team A. Scoring will be for Team A: $6+3+1=10$, and for Team B: 0.
- No shutout points will be awarded for 0 – 0 ties.
- If a team forfeits the start of a game, the non-forfeiting team or teams will receive the maximum 10 points. If after a game starts, one of the teams drops below minimum numbers (4 players for U-7/8, 6 players for U-9/10, and 7 players for U11 & up), the game will end at that point by the current score. However, if a team drops below the number of players mentioned above because of penalties, the other team will be declared winner by forfeit and receive maximum points.
- All games in pool play that are tied at the end of the regulation play will end tied with points awarded accordingly.
- If teams are tied after playing the regular time **at the Championship or Final Games**, two (2) additional five (5) minutes will be awarded with sudden death (first score by either team). If they are still tied, Penalty kicks (5-5) then sudden victory will determine the winner.

8. **Tie Breakers** – All division winners will be determined by:

- a. **Total Points**
- b. **Head-to-head competition**
- c. **Fewest goals allowed**
- d. **Number of shutouts**
- e. **Total goals scored**
- f. **Shoot-out**

9. Teams should be at their designated field **15 minutes prior to kick-off.**

10. Substitutions: **To request a substitution, a substitute player shall be ready prior to stoppage of the play in order to be allowed to enter the field by the center official. The substitute shall wait by the halfway line mark until center official beckons the player to the field.** A Player may enter the field without permission of the official at the beginning of the game, quarter, or half-time. **Either team may substitute with the permission of the referee an unlimited number of players at any stoppage of the play as long as the substitute player is present by the halfway line mark prior to stoppage of the play.**

- a. **Example of Stoppage of plays:** Throw-ins, Goal Kick, Corner Kick, Kick off, Half Time, Injury, Penalty Kick, Direct or Indirect Free Kick, Stoppage made by the referee.

During substitutions players must enter and leave the field at the midline. Substitutions are to be made with the permission of the Referee. This includes the substitution of the Goal keepers.

When a player is bleeding they must leave the field of play and be attended before re-entering the field of play with the permission of the center official.

11. Scoring for U7/8:

- a. For the U 8 and below games:

Note 1: No Score can be made directly into the goal from behind the center field line (halfway line) unless the player has clearly passed the halfway line. In case of occurrence referee should award an Indirect Kick to the opposite team.

Note 2: Since there are no Goalkeepers assigned to these games, therefore no defensive players should be just standing / waiting in the half circle area in front of their own goal for the purpose of defending the goal. .

12. Discipline

- a. **Players:** Any player that is red carded will be disqualified for that match and the next scheduled match. If any one player receives two (2) red cards during the TYSA Tournament games, he/she will be disqualified for the remainder of Tournament games. If in the opinion of the Head Referee and/or Tournament officials a flagrant foul occurred which resulted in a Red Card, that player may be suspended for the remainder of the Tournament. If a player gets three yellow cards in any number of games, they are required to sit out the next game.

- b. **Coaches and Spectators:**

i. Harassment of officials and players will not be tolerated. Referees may stop the game temporarily or may suspend play in the face of persistent sideline harassment or intimidation. In the case of game suspension, only the tournament officials are empowered to decide the outcome of the game.

ii. Coaches are responsible for the behavior of the team's parents and supporters.

- iii.** Coaches, players, and spectators who use profane language toward referees or other tournament officials may be disqualified and be asked to leave the tournament sites. In that case, the team must present an alternate coach for the remainder of the game.
- 13. Due to differences in field configuration, referees will determine the locations of teams and spectators.
- 14. Tournament officials reserve the right to expel from the tournament any coach, player, bystander, or team for gross misconduct on or off the playing field.
- 15. By participating in the tournament, teams agree to release the Tomah Youth Soccer Association (TYSA) and Tomah VA Medical Center from all responsibilities resulting from any and all injuries or other unexpected incidents.

NOTE: Casts will be allowed providing that they are wrapped in some type of soft material to prevent injury to other players on the field. The referee will have the final say as to whether the player will be allowed to play with the cast.

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