## Wichita Adult Coed Outdoor Soccer League

#### **Rules and Regulations**

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#### Introduction

Welcome to this season's soccer program sponsored by Region 208 American Youth Soccer Organization. Registration is in association with Sportslogic and the National American Adult Soccer Association. As a player you will be participating in the popular sport of soccer. This program is provided for your fun and enjoyment. Your cooperation, good sportsmanship and communication with our league are important in making this season a success. On behalf of AYSO and Region 208 we would like to wish everyone a successful season.

#### 1. Classification of Teams

O-19 Co-ed Recreational

#### 2. Roster

A player must be a registered adult player on a team's roster to play in any game. The Adult League Board of Directors will form the teams. Families may request to play on the same team.

- A. Rosters will be available to check for player validity.
- B. A maximum roster of 18 players will be formed for 11v11 games and a minimum of 11 for 7v7.
- C. Teams will be formed by random draw with potential adjustments for age balancing.
- D. Guest players are not allowed. Any team using unregistered players will forfeit the game. If the game has not started, the game will not be played. If the game is in progress, the game will be ended. The game will be recorded as a loss for the offending team. If a team suspects the opposing team is using an unregistered player the team captain should immediately contact the referee. The referee will stop the game and verify registration per the rosters.
- E. Each team must play 2 women on the field at all times or play short the position

unless an agreement is reached between the captains prior to the start of the game. Each team must have 7 players to start an official game; if not, the short team will forfeit. Players may be shared by the other team to allow for play of a game at the captains' and referees' digression.

## 3. Eligibility of Players

All Adult League players must be registered the Saturday before the game they intend to play.

- A. Violation of this rule could lead to forfeiture of the game. The Adult League Coordinator has the final decision.
- B. A referee or captain may check your team roster at game time.
- C. For clarification purposes a player may be asked for verification, it is recommended that all participants carry a photo ID for eligibility reasons.
- D. <u>Reinstatement of players</u>: players who have withdrawn from the league, may be reinstated to the <u>same</u> team if a position is vacated, the league coordinator and captain are in agreement.

## 4. Communication

- A. It is important that all players are informed as to the game schedule, league rules and regulations. It is the Captain's responsibility to communicate with the members of their team. Website access is available to all registered players for schedules and cancellations. Automated game reminders and notification of cancellations will be available via text and email.
- B. Captains or their designee are required to attend league meetings from time to time to review and approve rules, regulations, participate in random team draws and scheduling.

## 5. Conduct

Some forms of unsportsmanlike conduct will warrant automatic ejection with no warnings give. Misconducts (receiving a red card, after 2 yellow cards) given to an individual for unsportsmanlike conduct will warrant automatic ejection of said player,

from the premises. Two warnings to teams or fans will warrant automatic ejection from premises.

- A. Any player ejected from a game will automatically be suspended for a minimum of 1 game, in addition to the game in which the player was suspended.
- B. A second offense will be reviewed by the Adult League Coordinator for any further disciplinary action.
- C. No player, or spectator shall: threaten an official; lay a hand upon, shove or strike an official; be guilty of objectionable demonstrations of dissent at an official's decision; refuse to abide by an official's decision; be guilty of physical attack on any player, official or spectator.
- D. Any player removed from a game must leave the premises immediately.
- E. The referee or Adult League Coordinator reserves the right to make the final decision in all matters.

## 6. Tie games – tied league games will end in a tie.

#### 7. League standings

Total points will determine standings at the end of the season. Scoring for game is 3 points for a win, 1 point for a tie and 0 points for a loss. For tied teams, the team with the better head to head record will take the higher position in the standings. If a tie exists overall league goal differential will then be used. In addition, any team that has forfeited any game against the team that they are tied with will automatically take the lowest position in the standings.

League standings will be updated and available the following Tuesday of each week on the League website.

#### 8. Alcoholic beverages

Alcoholic beverages are not allowed on the premises at any time. Teams are responsible for their spectators and players. Players suspected of being intoxicated may be removed from the participation if deemed unable to play in a safe manner.

#### 9. Insurance

Supplemental health insurance (injuries or loss occurring directly from playing in the adult league) is provided by the league through NAASA.

#### **10. Protests**

No protests will be heard. Think fun, fair and safe.

#### 11. Scorekeeping

The officials will do scorekeeping at the field. Timekeeping will also be done by the referee or assistant referees. Team captains must properly fill out the official game card with all their eligible (official registered) players at least 10 minutes prior to game time. Official cards will be printed by the league coordinator for use by the captains.

#### 12. Co-ed rules

- A. Field team: Consists of 11 players (including a keeper). A minimum of 7 players are required to start a game. Teams must maintain a minimum of 2 women on the field at all times. If the team can not field a minimum of 2 women, the team may play short by her position. If there are no female players at the start of the game, the game is forfeit. Teams cannot play with more than 9 men at any time.
- B. Metal or steel cleats will not be allowed.
- C. Games will be played on the U12 or U14 size fields with a size 5 ball provided.
- D. Slide tackling: whether accidental or not, is not allowed. Sliding in open field space with no other players in the active area of play is allowed. The goal keeper is the only player allowed to slide tackle in order to save a goal. A defensive slide tackle within the attacking penalty area will be sanctioned with an appropriate misconduct and restart.
- E. 2005 FIFA law change: any tackle that endangers the safety of the player from any angle (i.e. 360 degrees) will be sanctioned as "serious foul play or violent conduct" and the player who committed the foul will be sent off (red card).
- F. Game time is forfeit time.

#### 13. Playing rules – FIFA laws of the game with the following additions

- A. Substitutions: Your team is allowed to make a substitution when:
  - a. There is a goal or goal kick by either team
  - b. Your own team has a throw-in or corner kick
  - c. The other team has a throw-in or corner kick and they substitute first.
  - d. If an injury occurs player for player only
- B. Penalty kicks: Women will take the penalty kicks. The keeper is determined at the time of the penalty kick.
- C. Shin guards: all players are required to wear appropriate sized shin guards at all times they are on the field, no exception.
- D. Time: Two 45 minute halves with running time
  - a. The officials will only give time outs due to injury and/or official stoppage of time.
- E. Forfeit time: game time will be forfeit time
- F. Half time: there will be a 5 minute half time, unless the game has been delayed and the officials rule that the second half must start sooner.
- G. Player disqualification: a player shall be disqualified when they are issued their second yellow card or their first red card. Any player disqualified from a game will be required to leave the premises immediately and automatically be suspended for a minimum of one game. Depending on the misconduct further action may be taken. A review of the misconduct will be done by the Adult League Coordinator.
- H. Field conduct
  - a. While the ball is in play, no player or participant shall interfere and/or approach a referee with the exception of the team captain.
  - b. Children must be supervised at all times. Children are required to stay off the field of play.
  - c. Spectators shall occupy the opposite side of the field in respect to the team.
- I. Game without officials: the adult league will schedule officials for every game. If for any reason there is no official at your game site, an attempt will be made to

contact another referee as soon as possible.

- J. Game rain out: Notice will be posted to the website as soon as cancellation determination is made, an email and text message will also be sent. The captains will be contacted directly.
- K. Uniforms: all players must have the same color jersey/shirt to play in a game.
- L. Jewelry: casts (plaster, metal or other hard substance in its final form), exposed jewelry such as wrist watches, bracelets, earrings and neck chains, or any other item judged dangerous by the officials, may not be worn during the game. This is a modification of the FIFA law.
- 14. Age: Adult 19 years as of September 1st of the current year and older

## 15. Schedules

- A. Schedules will be posted on the league website.
- B. Make sure your email address is current for contact information.
- C. Game times will be on Sundays at 1:00 and 3:00.

## 16. Ball

A top quality #5 soccer ball will be used by the league. The league will provide balls for the games.

## 17. Injured reserve

Teams that suffer season ending injuries may appeal in writing with the name of the injured and cause of injury, to the Adult league coordinator to request a replacement player.

## 18. Game times

Games will be played on Sundays at 1:00 and 3:00. If games are rescheduled information will be posted to the league website.

# 19. Field location

Region 208 – east side of Ridge Road, about 2/3rd mile south of 21st Street, Wichita, KS

# 20. Misc.

If an issue is not specifically addressed above please refer the AYSO National rules.