

# SOCCER CUP 2009

## 2009 Tournament Rules

**1 Rules** All games will be played by FIFA rules except as modified by the Stockton American Youth Soccer, SAYS Soccer.

**2 Eligible players** The Spring Cup is a Boys and Girls OPEN TOURNAMENT to all USSF affiliated members.

**3 Team roster**

A. All duly registered teams under 9 and younger (SS 9 v 9) will be allowed of 22 player's maximum on the roster.

B. All duly registered teams under 10 and older (11 a side) will be allowed of 22 player's maximum on the roster.

**4 Documents and Credentials required** Every team is required a team roster and every player must have a medical release form and proper laminated FIFA, USSF or USYSA affiliated passes and/or Birth Certificate Copy and School ID

**5 Ages groups** are as follows:

### Age guide for seasonal year 2008 - 2009

DIVISION	AGE	BIRTHDAY
SUB 6	4-5	8/1/2002 - 7/31/2004
SUB 8	6-7	8/1/2000 - 7/31/2002
SUB 10	8-9	8/1/1998 - 7/31/2000
SUB 12	10-11	8/1/1996 - 7/31/1998
SUB 14	12-13	8/1/1994 - 7/31/1996
SUB 16	14-15	8/1/1992 - 7/31/1994
SUB 18	16-17	8/1/1990 - 7/31/1992

**6 Fields** The **Soccer Cup Headquarter and games** will be played at the SAYS Soccer Complex and other City of Stockton Fields.

**7 Game ball**

- A. SUB-19, 16 and 14 Divisions: must be 26.5 to 28.0 inches in circumference and weigh between 14 and 16 ounces (Size 5)
- B. SUB-12 and 10 Divisions: must be 25.0 to 26.5 inches in circumference and weigh between 12 and 14 ounces (Size 4)
- C. SUB-8 and 6 Divisions: must be 23.0 to 25.0 inches in circumference and weigh between 10 to 12 ounces (Size 3).

**8 Referee System** One (1) referee system will be use.

**9 Tournament scoring system**

Teams shall be awarded points for games results as follows:

Win	3 points
Tie	1 point
Loss	0 points

For a forfeit game, the winner will be credited with a (1-0) win and awarded eight (3) points. A team abandoned by another team during a game will be awarded based on the above mention UNLESS the score at the time would award them more points. No points will be awarded if neither teams shows up.

**Tie Breaking** will be use as follows:

Goals differential (goals scored minus goals allowed). In the case of team's ties with the same points and goals differential within **bracket/division** they will play penalty kicks as per FIFA rules and the winner will advance to the next round. Only the **championship games** no winner is determined after the regular time play; both teams will take penalty kicks as described by FIFA until a winner determined.

**10 Game lengths**

U6, U8 and U10	2x20 minute halves
U12	2x25 minute halves
U14 and older	2x30 minutes halves

## 11 Substitutions

Unlimited substitutions may be made, with the consent of the referee, on any dead ball. Players must be ready & present at the half line before you request a substitution! Players must enter at the half line. Substitutions for a cautioned (yellow card) player are required.

## 12 Game start

All games will start at the scheduled time. **No waiting time will be allowed** Both teams must be ready least 15 minutes before the game time.

## 13 Tournament check-in

All teams must check-in in at the **Tournament Headquarters** at least 1 hour before their first game.

*Team check-in requirements:*

- A. Team roster
- B. Player registration form and/or Medical release form
- C. Players ID cards (*all players ID cards must be of the same playing seasonal year*)
- D. and/or Birth Certificate Copy and School ID

## 14 Game cards

Every team will receive their game cards at the **Tournament Headquarters**. If you need an additional please see the **Tournament Director and/or committee**.

## 15 Sportsmanship

GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP will be prevailing at all times **Coaches are responsible for the conduct of their player, parents and spectators**.

## 16 Ejection

Players and coaches who are ejected from a game on a RED CARD will automatically be suspended from the team's next game. ALL RED CARD ejections will be reviewed by the tournament Director and/or Tournament Committee and may result in a more severe penalty. Fighting by players, violent conduct and harassment of referees by coaches, parents and spectators will be considered a serious misconduct.

## 17 Home team responsibilities

The home team (first team listed on the schedule) will be required to change Jerseys in event of a color conflict. The home team will have the choice of side of field. (*Coaches, players, parents and spectators must remain on their team's side of the field*).

**18 Alcoholic beverages, Glass containers, and smoking are prohibited on all fields. NO EXCEPTIONS!**

## 19 Emergence

In emergency, contact a field Marshall or tournament official, or you can contact Police, Sheriff and Paramedics by **calling 911**

## 20 Player safety

In the interest of everyone's safety, please observe the following, no player may play when they are bleeding or there is blood on their uniform. The referee will immediately substitute the player and the player may not return until the bleeding stopped and/or uniform has been changed.

## 21 Refunds

- A. Team withdrawals: will forfeit all tournament fees and will not receive a refund.
- B. If the tournament is canceled due to weather rain out dates **(in case of rain or other factor the tournament will be played on February 14 & 15 )** in case of any other factor outside the control of the Stockton American Youth Soccer, SAYS Soccer, the tournament is canceled teams will be refunded a full refund.

## 23 Awards

- A. All champ's teams will receive Stockton Cup team trophy
- B. Second place teams will receive Stockton Cup team trophy

## 23 Protests will not be allowed

## 24 Rules not covered

Any questions or problem that develop and are not covered in the prior paragraphs will be resolved and answered by, and at the discretion of the Tournament Director and/or committee.

If you have any ideas in how to make this event a Premier Boys and Girls Tournament in Northern California please contact me at (209) 640-5425  
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