



## **FOR THE GOAL 3v3 SOCCER TOURNAMENT**

### **Official Rules & Format**

#### **TEAM COMPOSITION**

- 3 players on the field
- Maximum roster: 6 players per team
- No goalkeepers

#### **FIELD & EQUIPMENT**

- Field size: approximately 40 yards x 30 yards
- Small goals (no goalkeepers) – 4'x8'
- Balls provided by teams:
  - Size 3 ball (ages 7–9)
  - Size 4 ball (ages 10–12)
  - Size 5 ball (ages 13+ and adults)
- No corner flags
- All players must wear shin guards

#### **GAME LENGTH**

- 20-minute running clock
- 2-minute halftime
- No stoppage time (except for injuries or safety concerns)

#### **SUBSTITUTIONS**

- Unlimited substitutions
- Substitutions allowed on the fly
- Subbing team must ensure exiting player is completely off the field before the substitute enters

#### **SCORING & RESTARTS**

- Kickoffs taken from midfield

- All restarts are indirect kicks
- Goals may be scored from anywhere on the field
- No throw-ins; ball is kicked in from the sideline

## **OUT-OF-BOUNDS**

- Ball is out when it completely crosses the sideline or endline
- Kick-ins from the sideline
- Goal kicks from endline if last touched by attacking team

## **FOULS & SAFETY**

- No slide tackling
- No shoulder charges
- No dangerous play
- Referees may award indirect free kicks for violations
- Repeated or excessive fouls may result in:
  - Warning
  - Player removal for remainder of game (referee discretion)

## **OFFSIDES**

- No offsides

## **PENALTIES**

- No penalty kicks
- Referees may award an indirect free kick from midfield or the spot of the foul

## **TIEBREAKERS (POOL PLAY)**

- If pool standings are tied:
  1. Head-to-head result
  2. Coin flip

## **BRACKET PLAY**

- Single-elimination format
- Ties resolved by:
  1. 3-minute golden goal
  2. If still tied, best-of-3 shootout (one shooter per team, rotating if needed). 15 second 1v1 from midfield.

## **PLAYER CONDUCT**

- Sportsmanship is expected at all times
- Referees' decisions are final

- Abuse of referees, players, or staff may result in removal from the tournament

## **WEATHER POLICY**

- Delays or cancellations will be communicated onsite and via official channels:
  - City website
  - Statusfy
- Safety decisions are made by tournament directors in coordination with city officials.

## **WAIVERS/TEAM CHECK-IN**

- All participants must sign waiver. Guardian must sign waiver for youth prior to participation.
- One team representative must check-in 30 minutes prior to first game.
- Participant waivers are due at team check-in prior.

Please note, any modifications to tournament rules will be shared prior to the tournament. Any conflict that arises during the tournament where the rules are not explicitly state, will be resolved by the Tournament Director.