



## 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'
- Size 3 ball (ages 9 and under)
- Size 4 ball (ages 10–12)
- Size 5 ball (ages 13+ and adults)

### GAME LENGTH

- 20-minute running clock
- No 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
- For the Adult Coed tournament, one woman must remain on the field at all times

### 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.

## **YOUTH-SPECIFIC NOTES**

- All youth players must wear shin guards
- Parent or guardian must sign waiver prior to participation

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, Chris Ried.