

ASA 2024 WINTER SOCCER TOURNAMENT

RULES & REGULATIONS

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- All teams MUST report to the designated pitches 5 MINUTES before kick-off.
Failure to do so will result in forfeiting the match with a 3-0 loss
- Players must wear appropriate footwear.
- All players must wear shin pads, any player without shin pads will not be permitted to play.
- No jewellery, glasses or watches permitted to be worn during matches for health and safety reasons.
- Any player requiring to wear protective goggles or 'Rec Specs' will be permitted to do so.
- Goalkeepers handling area will be marked out with flat markers.
- A goalkeeper picking up a deliberate back pass will concede an indirect free-kick.
- One additional player must touch the ball before a goal can be scored after kick off.
- Bibs will be provided by ASA staff for goalkeepers if needed.
Bibs will also be provided in case of a colour clash.
- All players and coaches are to abide by all the laws of the game as set out by FIFA except where modified above.

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SCORING AND COMPETITION FORMAT:

- U7, U8 will divide into two groups of 4 teams and play 3 group stage matches. The winner of each group will play the runner up of the opposite group in a semi-final. The winners of the semi-final will then play the final.
- U6, U9, U10, U11, U12, U14 will be a Round Robin format. Every team will play against other teams in their age group once. The team with the most points will be crowned champions of the tournament for their respective age group.

Points will be awarded as follows:

- Win – 3 points
 - Draw – 1 point
 - Lose – 0 points
- Note: In the event of teams being equal on points at the end of the group stages, semi-final and final positions will be decided in the following sequence.
 1. Head-to-head result.
 2. Higher goal difference.
 3. Higher number of goals scored.
 4. 2v2 / 1v1 golden goal.

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2 v 2

- Teams can select ant two players to play 2v2 against the other team.
- The game will start with a drop ball from the referee in the middle of the pitch.
- The first team to score will be the winning team.
- Subs can only be made when the ball goes out of play. The subbed player must leave the pitch before the substitute comes onto the field. Subbed players are not allowed to re-enter the game.
- Kick ins / dribble ins will remain from the side-lines. However players cannot score directly from the kick in. (Note: players can score directly from corners and goal kicks).
- The game will play for 4 minutes. If there is no goal after 4 minutes coaches must remove a player making the game 1v1 until a goal is scored.

DISCIPLINE/ CODES OF CONDUCT

- Referees will use yellow and red cards During U10, U11, U12 & U14 matches. The yellow card serves to warn a player of inappropriate conduct and if the conduct is repeated a red card may be shown.
- A red card will be shown if a referee deems a player to be acting inappropriately (e.g. dangerous play or violent conduct) and should not continue playing. The referee will ask the manager/coach of that player to remove him/her from the field of play, however, a substitute may be brought on to replace the player sent off.

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- Cards will not be shown throughout U6, U7, U8 & U9 matches. However, If the referees feel a player is behaving inappropriately, the referee has the right to remove that player from the pitch in replace of a substitute.
- All participants and spectators should report any issues to the ASA Tournament Manager.
- Players and Parents should be reminded that the referees/ASA coaches' decisions are final.

AWARD CEREMONY

- Upon completion of the event, the following will be awarded to all players:
 - Participation Certificate
 - Medal

Note: The winning team of each age group will receive a trophy.

- Additional prizes will be given out to individuals for outstanding performances:
 - Player of the Tournament (each age group)
 - Top goal scorer (each age group)
 - Best goalkeeper (each age group)
- Each player must be present in order to receive their awards(s) at the end of the Tournament.