

CYSA SANCTIONED TOURNAMENT INFORMATION AND RULES

This document has been reviewed and was approved by the DTC for District _____ on Date: _____.
The tournament is approved by District _____ and is sanctioned by the CYSA Board of Directors, US Youth Soccer and, if granted international status, has been sanctioned by USSF.

1. **Tournament Information:**

Name of Tournament: EL DORADO KICK-OFF CLASSIC

Name of Hosting League: EL DORADO YOUTH SOCCER LEAGUE

Date of Tournament: AUGUST 29 – 30, 2009

Number of Teams: 56

Age Group(s), Division(s) and Gender(s): Division 3 – U-12, U-14, U-16 Boys; Division 3 – U-12, U-14, U-16, U-19 Girls

Approved to host teams from: CYSA X

Tournament Website Address: www.eldoradoysl.com

2. **Tournament Director Information:**

Name: Deborah Finneran

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3. **Fees:**

\$425.00 per team

Check should be made payable to: El Dorado Kick-Off Classic or EDK

The entry fee check must be submitted when the team application form (CYSA form 2603) is submitted directly to the tournament. The El Dorado Kick-Off Classic does not accept Out-of-State, International or US Club teams.

4. **Guest Player Policy:**

3 Guest players will be accepted in this tournament.

Guest players will be allowed in accordance with CYSA Guest Player Policies. An individual team may utilize no more than **(3)** approved guest players for this tournament. At no time shall the number of players rostered to a team minus the number of number of players on the official team roster who will not participate in the specific event, plus the number of guest players being utilized for the specified event total more than 18 players. Guest players are defined as players who are currently registered, but who are not listed as a rostered member of the team with which they are playing for the particular event. CYSA guest players may be from teams from any CYSA district. Guest players must use credentials from the same season as those being used by the team with which they are playing

5. **Application Information and Deadline:**

Tournament application deadline: July 10, 2009

Teams applying after the deadline may be considered only if there are any existing vacancies and if no timely applicants are rejected in order to accommodate a late application. The Tournament Director will not accept applications that are incomplete or not accompanied by entry fees. In the instance that the tournament fills all brackets prior to the application deadline, the tournament reserves the right to declare that it is full and closed to applications.

Notification of team acceptance or rejection will be sent to every timely applicant by July 17, 2009

A refund of the team's entry fee will be included in notices sent to rejected teams

6. **Selection Process:**

x Random selection of timely applicants

x Selection based on geographic considerations that will provide opportunities for a variety of districts.

7. **Refund Policy (check all that apply):**

No refunds after team has been formally accepted (AR list must be on file with CYSA office)

8. **CYSA Withdrawal policy:**

Any team withdrawing from the tournament must do so by a written notice sent certified mail, return receipt requested and postmarked no later than 14 days prior to the tournament start date. Failure to do so may result in a minimum \$300 team penalty assessed by CYSA as well as forfeiture of tournament entry fees).

9. **Locations:**

Headquarters Location: El Dorado Hills CSD (Main HQ); Christa McAuliffe (Satellite);

List all playing sites: El Dorado Hills CSD – North Field, South Field, New York Creek; Oak Ridge HS; Christa McAuliffe Park; Lakeview Elementary School; Ponderosa HS.

10. **Credentials Requirements:**

The following credentials must be presented at the mandatory team credentials check-in:

- A. An official team roster and guest player forms stamped and signed by the appropriate league, district and/or state registrar or officials.
- B. Laminated US Youth Soccer member passes from the same seasonal year for each player (including guest players) properly signed and stamped and approved by all required league, district and/or state registrar or officials.
- C. A US Youth Soccer membership form with the medical release and hold harmless declarations signed in original ink by the parent or guardian (or by the player in the instance where the player is 18 years of age) for each player and guest player.
- D. Each team must have at least one properly credentialed adult present on the sidelines of each match.
- E. In addition to being checked at the pre-tournament credentials check-in, all members' passes will be checked prior to the beginning of each match.

11. **Mandatory Credentials Check-In**

Each team is required to have their team credentials checked in at a mandatory pre-tournament check in.

Check in will be held at:

Location: Sacramento Marriott Rancho Cordova – 11211 Point East Drive, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742

Date: August 28, 2009 Time: 6:00pm – 10:00pm

Any team having extreme difficulty with attending Friday night check-in must contact the Tournament Director 10 days in advance for alternative arrangements. Teams failing to attend the mandatory check-in without a two week prior approval of the tournament director will forfeit their games.

12. **Length of Games:**

Age Group	Preliminary Games	Consolation and Championship Games
U-12	30 minutes	30 minutes
U-14	30 minutes	35 minutes
U-16	30 minutes	35 minutes
U-19	30 minutes	35 minutes

In preliminary games ties will stand. If a championship or consolation game is tied at the end of regulation play, two 5 minute overtime periods will be played. If still tied at the completion of the overtime periods, the game will be decided by penalty kicks as per FIFA laws of the game. At the discretion of the Tournament Committee, overtime periods may be shortened or eliminated if the game has been significantly delayed at the start. The length of any game may be shortened

to shorter but equal halves if the Tournament Committee deems it necessary due to field conditions, weather or darkness.

13. **Mandatory Rest Periods**

Teams and players must be given a minimum rest period of two hours between games. The rest period will commence when a team's or player's match ends and will end when the team's or player's subsequent match begins.

14. **Substitutions:**

Unlimited substitutions are allowed with referee approval in the following situations:

Prior to a throw in for one's own team.

Prior to a goal kick by either team.

Prior to the restart of the game following a goal being scored by either team.

Prior to the restart of the game for the second half.

Prior to the beginning of an overtime period.

Prior to the restart of the game following an injured player being removed from the field (either team may sub).

Prior to the restart of the game following a player being cautioned, the referee will give the coach the choice of substituting the cautioned player (The player could re-enter at his/her team's next substitution opportunity.).

15. **Ejections:**

Any player, coach, assistant coach or registered team official who is sent off will automatically be suspended from their next game. The send off report will be forwarded to the Tournament Director and Tournament Disciplinary Committee. Section 4:08 of the CYSA Bylaws will be used to assess the minimum mandatory penalties. Additional penalties may be imposed. Send-off reports and member passes, which must be retained if the penalty has not been served in its entirety, will be forwarded to the team's District Commissioner. Any additional disciplinary action over and above that assessed by the Tournament Committee will be at the discretion of the member's District or CYSA disciplinary committees.

16. **Scoring System:**

Maximum number of points allowable per game: 10

6 Points for a win:

3 Points for a tie:

1 Bonus points for shutout win

0 Bonus points for 0-0 ties

1 Points per goal up to 3

2 Points deducted for red cards issued to a coach or player

0 Points will be re-awarded if neither team shows for a game.

Forfeited games will be scored as 2 to 0 (9 points) in favor of the team that did not forfeit. In the case a team withdrawing at the last minute or not showing, all preliminary games for that team will be scored as a forfeit.

If a team withdraws or is suspended from the tournament after the beginning of play, all previous games played will be considered a forfeit loss. Standing will be recalculated to reflect said forfeits.

Winners in each bracket will be determined by standing point totals.

Advancement to Championship and Consolation Games: In all age groups, the team with the highest points from each bracket will advance to the Championship round. The team with the next highest points in each bracket will compete in the Consolation round. In the case of a tie, the tie breaking procedure in #17 will apply.

17. **Tie Breaking Procedure:**

In case of a tie in tournament points following the completion of preliminary games, the advancing team will be determined based on the following criteria in the order specified:

- A. Head to Head competition – team that won the head to head competition between the teams that are tied will advance (should there be a tie in tournament points between three or more teams, the tie-breaking procedure begins with #B below.)
- B. When and if only two teams remain tied at any point while using this procedure, the order of tie breaking will recommence at # A above.

- C. Team with fewest goals allowed advances.
- D. Team with fewest Red Cards advances.
- E. Team with the fewest Yellow Cards advances.
- F. Team with the highest goal differential advances (goals scored by a team minus goals allowed by a team, not to exceed a differential of 4 goals in any one match).
- G. Team with most goals scored advances (not to exceed 4 goals counted for any one match).
- H. Kicks from the penalty spot as per FIFA rules. The team with the most successful kicks advances.

ALL GAME RESULTS WILL BE CONSIDERED FINAL AND NO PROTEST OF THEIR OUTCOME IS ALLOWED

18. Format:

- 3 Minimum games for each team in tournament (forfeited games will count in game minimum.)
- 8 Teams per flight
- 4 Teams per bracket

19. Preliminary play:

- x Each team in the flight will play the all other teams in their flight

20. Awards:

Type of Awards: trophies: x medals: x other: Chuk Odofer Sportsmanship Award to one team in each age Bracket.

Awards will be given in these categories 1st x 2nd x 3rd x 4th x

Participation pins will be given to: (check all applicable): each player x coaches (2 per team) x

Programs will be given to (check all applicable): each player x coaches (2 per team) x

21. Start Times and Forfeitures:

Teams must be at the field a minimum of 30 minutes prior to the scheduled start time of their game in order to be checked in by referees or appointed tournament officials. The referee will start the game on time. If a team has not taken the field with a minimum of seven (7) players within the 5 minute grace period, the game will be forfeited to the team that has taken the field with at least seven (7) players. If neither team takes the field within the 5 minute grace period, no points will be awarded to either team and the game will be declared a double forfeit.

The referee and/or Tournament Committee may terminate a game and award a forfeit if a team leaves the field during the game without the approval of the referee, the referee abandons a match due to excessive violent conduct and/or misconduct by the players, coaches or fans, or a team is deemed to be in gross violation of US Youth Soccer, CYSA, or rules of this tournament.

22. Home Team:

The team listed first on the game schedule is the home team and shall have their choice of the side of the field. Conflicts in jersey color will be resolved by the home team being required to change jerseys. The referee will determine if there is a conflict in jersey colors or keeper jersey colors. The home team will be responsible for providing the game ball (unless supplied by the tournament).

23. Sportsmanship and Conduct:

Good sportsmanship is expected of all teams, officials and fans. Coaches are responsible for the conduct of their players, staff, parents and affiliated spectators.

The referees award sportsmanship points during each game up to a maximum of five (5) points per game per team. No points will be awarded in the Championship or Consolation games, but points can be subtracted from accumulated points for unsportsmanlike conduct.

24. Injuries and Medical Assistance:

Any injuries must be reported to a tournament official so that an accident report form can be completed. A tournament official will call 911 for an injury at the coach's or parent's request.

25. Weather Conditions:

If deemed necessary by the Tournament Committee, games may be shortened or cancelled due to extreme weather conditions.

26. Tournament Cancellation

If the tournament must be cancelled due to inclement weather, acts of civil disobedience, war, destruction of facilities or other circumstances deemed by the CYSA State Tournament Committee to be beyond the control of the hosting league, the tournament may retain up to 30% of the entry fee once the tournament's expenses are verified and approved by the CYSA Tournament Committee Chairman. Refunds of no less than 70% of the team's entry fee will be postmarked and mailed to the teams within 45 days of the approved tournament date.

27. Housing and Hotel Information:

Housing will not be provided. The individual teams must arrange hotel accommodations. Our host hotel is the Sacramento Marriott Rancho Cordova. Information will be sent out with the acceptance packets.

28. Prohibitions:

Possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages or controlled substances is expressly prohibited at any of the sport fields or complexes. Any team (including players, coaches, parents and affiliated spectators) found violating these rules will automatically forfeit all games played, face possible expulsion from the tournament and will not be invited to any future tournaments hosted by this league.

Dogs are prohibited at this tournament.

Use of tobacco products is prohibited at this tournament. Use of tobacco products on the grounds of any public school facility is a violation of California State Law.

Referees will be instructed to abandon a game if, after being asked to do so, any person affiliated with the team refuses to remove a dog from the area of the soccer field, or if after being asked to do so, any person affiliated with the team refuses to cease the use of tobacco products in the area of the soccer field.

All Portable Shelters (EZ ups, tents, etc.) must be secured with either stakes or sandbags.

The use of electronic devices may not be used during a game by the coaching staff of a team (i.e. cell phones, pda's, etc.)

29. Tournament Committee:

The tournament committee shall consist of the Tournament Director and any other pre-designated Tournament Officials.

THE TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ESTABLISH POLICY AS DEEMED NECESSARY IN REGARD TO PROBLEMS AND CIRCUMSTANCES THAT ARE NOT SPECIFICALLY COVERED. THE DECISIONS OF THE TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE ARE NOT SUBJECT TO APPEAL.

30. Miscellaneous:

Players Equipment: No rings, watches, earrings, metal objects, jewelry, or casts may be worn. All players are required to use shin guards. The referee has final determination as to the safety of each player's equipment.

Game Cards: Game cards will be handled by the field marshals and referees. The game cards will be picked up at reasonable intervals and scores posted as soon as possible after the games.