

Pend Oreille Cup

2021 Rules and Regulations

1. ADMINISTRATION (Please see COVID-19 rules at bottom of these Rules).

- a. The Pend Oreille Cup is hosted by the Sandpoint Strikers FC, a member of the Idaho Youth Soccer Association.
- b. The 2021 Sandpoint Strikers Pend Oreille Cup is scheduled to be held on September 17-19, 2021.
- c. The registration deadline is Sept 5, 2021.
- d. The tournament entry fee for the U8-U9 divisions is \$350 (US) before the deadline. The fee for the U10 division is \$525 (US) before the deadline. The fee for the U11-12 is \$565 (US) before the deadline. The fee for the U13-U15 is \$595 (US) before deadline. The fee for the U16-U18 is \$615 (US) before the deadline. The entry fee must be submitted with the tournament entry form.
- e. No refund of entry fee due to cancellations. If a team applies to the tournament and cancels before the deadline of registration, a refund will be granted minus a \$75 administrative fee. If a team cancels after the registration deadline, no refund will be given.
- f. The Tournament Director(s) will delegate areas of activity to special committees; e.g. scheduling, rules, etc.
- g. Rules are subject to change before the final schedule is released to fit all games. Example: addition or subtraction of semi-final games, even in brackets that say no semi-final. If one can be added once teams register and fields are available, then one may be added to the bracket.

2. ELIGIBILITY

- a. The Pend Oreille Cup shall be open to teams comprised of properly registered youth players affiliated with FIFA approved National Soccer Associations. All teams must have the appropriate tournament documents approved for participation. These may include: team roster signed by association registrar, player passes, birth certificates, medical releases and travel papers (if required). Each team is required to have on-site at all games the ability to provide, upon demand, acceptable proof of player's age and a properly completed medical release for each player.
- b. Players may be on only one team's roster; in the event of conflict, the player will only be allowed to play with the team he or she is registered with for the current competitive year.
- c. Each team is allowed three guest players which must be added to the team roster prior to team check-in.
- d. Team rosters cannot exceed the following:
 1. U7, U8 and U9 divisions – 16 players
 2. U10, U11, and U12 divisions – 16 players
 3. U13 - U18 divisions – 22 players/18 eligible per game
- e. The tournament committee reserves the right to accept or reject any team at its discretion. Teams not accepted will receive a full refund of their registration fee. Once accepted, teams that withdraw will not receive a refund of their registration fee.

3. TOURNAMENT HEADQUARTERS

- a. Tournament headquarters will be at Travers Park in Sandpoint.
- b. Teams must check in at least one hour prior to their first game.

4. TOURNAMENT FORMAT

- a. Divisions shall be formed at the discretion of the tournament director.
- b. U8 – U18 Divisions
 1. U8 division will play 6-a-side.
 2. U9 divisions will play 7-a-side.
 3. U10 division will play 7-a-side.
 4. U11 and U12 divisions will play 9-a-side.
 5. U13 & older divisions will play 11-a-side.
 6. A round-robin format shall be used, and division champions shall be determined by total points. In other divisions, a round robin format will be used in two different brackets, with the winners from each playing in the semifinal or championship game.
 7. All teams will be scheduled for a minimum of three games.

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8. Teams shall be awarded points for game results as follows:
 1. Win: Three (3) points
 2. Tie: One (1) point
 3. Loss: Zero (0) points
 4. For each red card that a team receives, it will lose one point from its point total in round robin play.
9. Forfeitures: A team not showing or not ready to play after a five-minute grace period will forfeit the game to the ready team. If both teams fail to show or are not ready to play following the five-minute grace period, zero points shall be recorded to both teams.
 1. Forfeited games will be recorded as a 1-0 score. The tournament director has the authority to consider extenuating circumstances in determining whether forfeiture has occurred.
10. Medals will be given to first and second place teams in all age groups.

5. MINIMUM PLAYERS

- a. In order to play, teams shall have the minimum number of players on the field at the start of the game.
 1. 6-a-side – five players
 2. 7-a-side – five players
 3. 9-a-side – six players
 4. 11-a-side – seven players

6. TIE-BREAKING RULES

- a. In the event two or more teams are tied in points at the end of all games within a division, the following tie breakers shall be applied in order given:
 1. Head-to-Head Results
 2. Goal Differential (max 6 per game)
 3. Total Goals Scored (max 6 per game)
 4. Fewest Goals Allowed
 5. Most Shutouts
 6. Penalty Kick Shootout
 7. One point will be subtracted per Red Card
- b. Semifinal & championship games, if tied at the end of regulation play, shall be decided by a penalty kick shootout.
- c. Penalty kick shootouts: Any five players may be chosen by the respective coaches. If the game is still tied after the first round of penalty kicks, a second separate set of players shall be chosen. The second round of penalty kicks shall be sudden death. Only players on the field at the end of the match may participate in the penalty kick shootout.

7. RULES OF PLAY

- a. The coach or manager of each team must report to tournament headquarters at least 60 minutes prior to the scheduled start of their first game. Any player wearing an orthopedic device must report to the referee tent for approval prior to the start of each game. Hard and unyielding items (guards, casts, braces, etc.) on the hand, wrist, forearm, elbow, upper arm or shoulder must be padded with a closed-cell, slow-recovery foam padding no less than ½-inch thick.
- b. **New this year, team and supporting parents will be on the same side of the field (see diagram attached). This excludes Memorial Field as all spectators sit in the stadium.** All coaches, teams and spectators must stand behind the white line that is five yards back from the sideline. This line allows the linesman to run unimpeded up and down the sideline. No persons are permitted behind the goals.

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- c. Each coach is responsible for the conduct of his/her team and sideline spectators. Lack of control may result in the coach receiving a yellow caution, red card game ejection, and/or disqualification from the tournament.
- d. All teams must have a set of alternate jerseys in case of color conflict. The home team is responsible for wearing a contrasting color. The goal keeper must also have an alternate jersey.
- e. The home team shall provide three (3) game balls for the match. Size 4 for U8, U9, U10, U11 and U12, and Size 5 for U13, U14 and U15.
- f. The home team will be the team listed first on the schedule.
- g. Prior to the start of each scheduled game, each team must present to the referee the team's player cards so that the team maybe checked into play, when asked by the referee to do so.
- h. All games will be played according to the U.S.Y.S.A. Rules of Competition unless otherwise stated in these Sandpoint Strikers Pend Oreille Cup Tournament Rules. **New this year is no heading the ball for U12 and below.**
- i. **U8 – U10 Modified Law**

The dashed build out lines serve as the offside line in the same way that the half line does on a traditional field: the attacking team cannot be offside unless the offending player is on the attacking side of the line when the ball is played. An attacking player would have to be between the build-out line and the opponent's goal line to be in an offside position. By using the build-out line as the offside line, strikers can take up positions farther from their goal, effectively keeping opposing defenders from pushing up, which decreases space for long balls over the top and increases space in the midfield, incentivizing building play through the thirds of the field and encouraging movement off the ball for the second and third attackers.

Most of the confusion with the build out line comes on goal kicks and/or when the keeper has the ball in hand. In these two occasions all opposing players must retreat behind the build out line. Once the ball is put into play, then normal play resumes and opponents can cross the line to pressure the ball. The ball is in play when the player taking the goal kick plays the ball and it clearly moves. There is no limit to how many defending players may cross the line to pressure the ball.

No slide tackling or drop kicks.
- j. The duration of the games will be as follows. The tournament director may adjust playing times as circumstances warrant. There is no stoppage time.
 - 1. U8 - U9: 20 minute halves with a 5 minute half-time.
 - 2. U10 - U12: 25 minute halves with a 5 minute half-time.
 - 3. U13 - U18: 30 minute halves with a 5 minute half-time (subject to increased time based on teams registering).
- k. For all age groups, free substitution is allowed. Substitutions may be made, with the consent of the referee, during any stoppage in play. Players may exit anywhere on field.
- l. The goalkeeper six-second rule will be in effect.
- m. In case of inclement weather or fields conditions, games may:
 - 1. Be shortened
 - 2. Go to FIFA kick from the mark
 - 3. Be canceled (if stopped during game and restart is not possible, game will be reported with score at time of stoppage.)
- n. In the event of an unusual circumstance that results in significant loss of game time, the lost game time may be rescheduled at the discretion of the Tournament Director. The rescheduling of the lost game time is subject to field availability. An example of an unusual circumstance would be a major injury to a player, which prevented the use of the playing field or extreme weather which forces the closing of the park. The Tournament defines a significant loss of game time as more than half of the game. Any accumulation of time delays due to minor/moderate injuries to several players would not constitute an

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unusual circumstance nor will these delays be considered lost game time. An accumulation of time delays resulting from the normal course of a game will not be considered lost game time.

8. VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES

- a. Infraction or violation of Tournament Rules may result in any of the following penalties:
 1. Ineligibility of a player or team from tournament play
 2. Forfeiture of game or games
 3. Return of trophies or medals
 4. Revocation of titles
- b. If the referee abandons the game, the final score will remain as it is at the time of the abandonment. If abandonment occurs solely to the misconduct of one team, that team shall forfeit the game.
- c. Any player receiving three yellow cards during tournament games will be required to sit out the next tournament game following the game in which he/she received the third yellow card.
- d. Any player receiving a red card ejection will sit out the next scheduled tournament game.
- e. A player receiving a second ejection (red card) will be prohibited from competing in additional tournament games.
- f. A coach who receives two yellow cards or a red card ejection during the tournament must sit out of the next game. Teams that fail to abide by these rules will be banned from further competition.

9. MATCH AND SCORE REPORTING

- a. Referees are responsible for reporting the match results, cautions, and ejections to the tournament headquarters. Referees will turn in a completed scorecard to the tournament headquarters within 15 minutes of the game ending.
- b. Both coaches are required to **review and sign** the final scorecard before leaving the field of play.
- c. It is the teams' responsibility to verify the match results, cautions, and ejections reported to the tournament headquarters. Any discrepancy in the information recorded must be disputed within one hour of the game ending. If the game is the last scheduled game of the day, disputes must be made within one hour after the start of first scheduled game the next day. Changes will only be allowed after validation and agreement by either both teams' coaches or the center referee for the game.
- d. At the tournament director's discretion, a referee may provide the above information to the field marshal assigned to the playing field rather than the tournament headquarters at the end of the game. The field marshal will then be responsible to provide the required information and scorecard to the tournament headquarters.

10. JUDICIAL

- a. No protests can or will be accepted. All decisions by the referee are final.

11. EQUIPMENT

- a. All players must wear shin guards and soccer cleats.
- b. All players must keep their socks pulled up to their knees and over their shin guards.

12. Lightning

- a. 30/30 rule. If lightning is seen and thunder is heard within 30 sec, game will be suspended for 30 min. If it happens again within the 30 min delay, the 30 min delay starts over. Games within the time allowed will be played out if time allows and to the discretion of the tournament director. If games cannot be finished then the current score at the start of the delay stands as the final result. **Refer to rule 7 m above.**

13. Smoke

Games will not be played if the smoke index is 150 or above as recorded on official Airnow website. Games will resume if time allows, if games must be abandoned during the game, then last recorded score will stand as final.

New Rules IYSA:

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· Yellow and red cards can be given to team officials (IYSA began implementation of yellow and red cards to team officials and sidelines in 2018)

· A player being substituted is to leave the field at the nearest boundary line (IYSA will ask that all substitutes occur on the touch line nearest the team bench of the player being substituted. This is to ensure the safety of our youth players.)

· Goal kicks and free kicks in the defensive penalty area do not need to leave the penalty area in order to be in play. The ball is in play as soon as it is kicked and moved. This Law change allows the defensive team to play a goal kick inside the penalty area to a teammate. The opposing team must still retreat to outside the penalty area or behind the build out line until the ball is kicked and moves.

· Dropped balls will no longer be contested dropped balls.

· Attacking players cannot stand in or next to a wall in a free kick situation. If a defending team has 3 or more players in a wall, the attacking team must be at least 1 meter away from the wall.

Covid 19 Rules:

- Please Follow ALL Local, State and CDC Guidelines.
- THANK YOU ALL!!!