

# OBCC Tournament Rules Revised 2025

# **Tournament Rules**

## 1. Laws

All games will be played in accordance with the F.I.F.A. Laws of the Game

# 2. Home Team Responsibilities

The home team will supply the game ball. If, at referee's discretion, the home team can't supply a suitable game ball, the away team will have the option of providing one. Where team colors clash (at referee's discretion), the home team will change to distinct colors.

#### 3. Master Game Sheet

Upon arrival at the tournament each team must submit a master list of players at the information table, no less than thirty (30) minutes prior to your first game. Only players identified on the master list may compete in the tournament. Games sheets must all be handed in prior to every game. All players on the master sheet must submit a signed waiver before being allowed to play.

# 4. Number of Players

- A team may register fifteen (15) players. A minimum of five (5) players at scheduled kick-off time constitutes a
  team in all games.
- A team must have a minimum of two female players on the field at all times during play. This includes goalkeepers (I.E you may have 1 female keeper and 1 female player outfield)
- A player may be registered with only one team for the duration of the tournament.
- If a team is reduced to only two (2) female players, they may recruit one additional female player from another team in the division below.
  - In the recreational division, teams may recruit a female player from another recreational team.

# 5. Duration of Play

Preliminary Rounds - All games will be 50 mins in duration NO EXCEPTIONS.

Semi, Final - In the event of a tie there will be (3) three penalty shots taken. If this does not settle it, shots will continue until there is a winner. (Sudden Death Penalty Kicks)

The first three penalty shots must have 1 female shooter. If it continues past 3, it will alternate every shot between male and female.

A male player cannot take a second penalty until every male in the team has taken one. The same rule applies to female players.

# 6. Point System

- 3 points will be awarded for a win
- 1 point will be awarded for a tie
- 0 points will be awarded for a loss

### 7. Substitutions

- Unlimited substitution is permitted during a game, and can be made during play.
- If a team has no male or female substitutions left, they may recruit one male and one female from a lower division to have a total of two substitutes.

#### 8. Determination of Division Leaders

Division leaders will be determined by the following criteria:

- Most points
- Performance head-to-head (not applicable to ties of 3 or more teams)
- Goal difference
- Goals against
- Most goals for
- Coin toss

#### 9. Other Rules

- When the ball is out of play, the game shall be restarted with a kick in (no throw in)
- There is no slide tackling allowed at any time apart from the goalie in his designated area.
- A player can be in the off-side position. (No off)

#### Protests

All protests must be in writing within fifteen (15) minutes of completion of the game in question and must be accompanied by a fee of \$50.00 donation (cash), refundable if the protest is successful. Protests regarding referee's decision will not be heard.

# 11. Failure to Show

Any team failing to show for a scheduled game will forfeit. A result of 2:0 will be recorded in favor of the team who should have played the team failing to show.

# 12. Disciplinary Action

A team will play a man short for 2 minutes upon a player receiving a yellow card.

A player receiving two yellow cards during the tournament will be suspended from the next game. A team will play short for 5 minutes upon a player receiving a red card.

A player receiving a red card will be suspended from the next game.

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The referee's jurisdiction regarding cautions and ejections shall be extended to cover all team officials who will be subject to the same disciplinary action as players. Coaches will be held responsible for the behavior of all spectators in their party

## 13. Cancellations

If the tournament is cancelled in whole all entry fees will be returned. However, we are not responsible for any expenses incurred because of the tournament.

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