

## **Alouette Cup and Coastal cup Competition**

All teams (U13-U18) are eligible to enter either Coastal "A" Cup or Alouette District Cup (play downs to Coastal "B" Cup). Coastal Cup competition is play downs to Provincial Cup.

The Alouette cup is the play down for all teams wanting to enter the coastal cup. Coastal Cup rules will be used in the Alouette cup.

The **Coastal Cup Competition** is the regional qualification competition for Provincial Championships for the Lower Mainland and regions.

Regional qualifications fall within the jurisdiction of BC Soccer and can be delegated to the districts within the region. The districts form a Regional Organizing Committee to oversee playdowns in their region. BC Soccer Competitions Committee each year will set the amount of funds available for regional play downs.

### **Simplified Coastal Cup rules**

#### **Team Eligibility**

##### **a. Declarations/Entry Deadlines**

- ii. The Coastal B Level Championships shall be open to any affiliated ~~B or C~~ level youth team as declared on entry forms and with registration fees submitted by December 1st in the current coastal playing provided the team, or teams, have played in properly constituted league matches and are not under suspension from district or authorized leagues.
- iii. The Coastal Cup Committee will use the declaration information supplied by December 1st from the Coastal districts to establish the declaration of teams entering the Coastal Cup. This list will be confirmed with Coastal Districts before the Draw meeting.
- iv. Final rosters will be limited to players properly registered with the team. District bonds are to be received in BC Soccer office by the dates established by the Board, or teams will not be eligible for Provincial Championships.

##### **Alouette cup entries**

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##### **A. Coastal "A" Cup**

**All Metro-Select teams will automatically be entered into the Coastal "A" Cup competition. Any other level teams may enter this Cup competition by declaring their intention by October 15 of the current season.**

- B. **Alouette Cup (playdowns to Coastal "B" Cup)**  
All Div 1 and Div 2 teams will automatically be entered into the Alouette Cup competition. Any other level teams may enter this Cup competition by declaring their intention by September 30th of the current season.

### **Girls and Boys Coastal A Cup**

- i. Teams in U13 to U18 age groups playing in the Metro Division of the BCCSL and Vancouver Island Premier League may only enter the Coastal A Cup or BC Premier Cup. See below 6.b.iii for Coastal A Cup draw/seeding procedures.

### **Girls and Boys Coastal B Cup**

- i. The Lower Mainland region districts and the two Island districts play in-district to identify their single representative qualifying in each age group.
- ii. Each district, through their own internal established play down format, has the ability to identify a district representative in each of the recognized Coastal Cup age groups.

### **Player Eligibility**

#### **Registration**

- i. Players must be registered or reinstated as a youth from adult player or transferred to a team seven days prior to taking part in that team's qualification or Coastal Cup games, as per the transfer and reinstatement rules outlined in the BC Soccer Rules and Regulations. Players must also have played at least one league game with that team before playing in District playdown or Coastal Cup games.

#### **ID Cards**

- i. Each team will supply the referee with a set of BC Soccer Photo Identification Cards for all players and team officials.

### **Team Rules**

#### **Roster**

- i. Teams must consist of a minimum of 14 registered players.
- ii. Youth teams shall not be permitted to register more than the maximum allowed players for their age division at any given time.
1. for U13 - U16 the maximum shall be eighteen (18) players
  2. for U17 and U18 the maximum shall be twenty (20) players

iii. Teams must supply a completed "Official Team Roster for Coastal Cup" to their CC Coordinator before their first playdown game. This will include a team roster and a list of the team officials with the Head Coach's coaching certification.

### **Team Officials**

i. Coaching Qualifications: Teams may not enter or take part in Coastal Cup unless the Team Head Coach has completed the "Soccer for Life" course or higher level (A or B or C Licence) course. If the Head Coach is not available for a game, a replacement Acting Head Coach with appropriate qualifications must be appointed and present.

ii. A maximum of five team officials shall be listed on the team roster. One team official must be the same gender as the team and must be present on the bench and in the change rooms.

iii. Only team officials listed on the Official Team Roster are eligible to be seated on the team bench and team technical area during the game.

### **Player Permits**

- i. Teams competing in the Coastal Cup may use players playing on a Coastal Cup Permit form, subject to rules following. PLEASE NOTE THESE RULES MAY DIFFER FROM ANY LEAGUE'S RULES.
- ii. ii. A team may permit up to three BC Soccer registered players to bring their roster up to the number of players on the team's affiliation form for the current season, or up to a maximum of 16, whichever is lower. However, teams may not permit players to replace players under suspension.
- iii. iii. The purpose of permits is only to allow teams to have enough players to compete in the Coastal Cup. Teams are not allowed to strengthen their roster by dropping players to pick up stronger ones. Any team attempting to release a player from their roster to make room for a permitted player will face disciplinary action.
- iv. iv. Players may be permitted from teams playing at a lower calibre of play at the same or lower age, OR the same or lower calibre of play at a lower age level. For Coastal Cup permit purposes, the 'calibre of play' is based on the division a team was playing on December 1st. In number-based leagues, all 'Div. 1' divisions are considered one calibre, all 'Div. 2' is one calibre and all 'Div. 3' is one calibre, etc. Similarly in Gold/Silver/Bronze leagues, all Gold divisions are considered one calibre, all Silver divisions are one calibre and all Bronze are one calibre.
- v. vi. Coastal A Cup teams may only permit players registered with other teams in their district.
- vi. vii. Coastal B Cup teams may only permit players registered with other teams in their club. The only exception is if a club does not operate any other team in a

lower calibre at the age/gender, the club, with district approval, can apply for permission from the Coastal Cup Committee for its B Cup team to be allowed to permit from teams of another club in its district.

- vii. viii. Out of district players, suspended players and players registered to U12 or younger teams may not be permitted.  
ix A permitted player's own team for clauses iv-vii shall be the team the player was registered with for the winter season.
- viii. x. Permits are only valid if they have received district approval. Completed forms must be submitted to the Coastal Cup Coordinator no later than 48 hours prior to the start of the match.
- ix. xi. ID cards must be provided for all players. Team officials are responsible for obtaining ID cards for all permitted players.

### **Uniforms**

Teams participating in Coastal Cup Championships are required to have two complete sets of uniforms of different colors for all Cup games to avoid colour conflict. The team listed as the home team will be required to change uniforms in the case of a colour conflict.

### **Game Rules**

#### **Duration of Play**

- i. All games will be played to regulation time.
- ii. In the event that teams are still tied at the end of regulation time the teams will play two equal halves of extra time. There shall be no break at half time of extra time. BC Soccer regulations for the duration of games and extra time periods for all Coastal Cup games are:

#### **Divisions**

U17 and U18                      U15 and U16   U14 and                      U13

#### **Regulation Time**

2 halves of 45 minutes   2 halves of 40 minutes                      2 halves of 35 minutes

#### **Extra Time**

2 halves of 15 minutes   2 halves of 10 minutes   2 halves of 10 minutes

- iii. In the event that the teams are still tied at the end of extra time, the winner shall be decided by the taking of kicks from the penalty mark, in accordance with the FIFA/IFAB Laws of the Game.

### **Substitutions**

Unlimited substitutions shall be allowed in all Coastal Cup games.  
Substitutions shall be made during a stoppage in the game, with the referee's consent at center line.

**Team With draw**

- I. Teams withdrawing from Coastal "A" or "B" Cup after the Draw is complete, could be subject to any penalties set down by BCSA (ie fine and/or suspension)
- II. Teams withdrawing from Alouette Cup after the Draw is complete, could be subject to a fine of \$100.00 per team to the Club.

**Alouette Cup Rules**

**Alouette Cup Game Conflicts**

- I. All games must be **played as scheduled by the District**, unless the District Scheduler grants prior permission.
- II. To avoid conflicts with League Championship games, teams should be prepared to play their Alouette Cup game on the opposite day of that week-end.
- III. All preliminary games must be played prior to December 31,

**Alouette Cup Finals**

Alouette Cup Finals will be held in late February or early March in conjunction with the League Championship Finals

**Referee Fees**

Referee Fees for the Alouette Cup Finals are:

	U17-U18	U15-U16	U13-U14
Referees	\$50.00	\$45.00	\$40.00
Assistants	\$25.00	\$22.50	\$20.00
4th Official	\$25.00	\$22.50	\$20.00