



Verband der Donauschwaben U.S.A.

Society of Danube Swabians U.S.A.



U. S. National Donauschwaben Soccer Tournament

Tournament Rules

@ April 27, 2019

Players

All players must be registered with their participating team and Club. Players pass cards must be presented for all players that are listed on the tournament player roster. Total of no more than (20) players may be registered on the tournament player roster. Only (18) players may dress and be put onto the game sheet per game. You may not add or subtract any players to your tournament player roster once the roster has been submitted to the tournament registrar. Player pass cards and roster must be presented at time of registration, which is (1) hour prior to that teams first game. All teams must be registered by 12:00(noon) on the Saturday of the tournament. Pass cards will be returned to the team(s) prior to the end of the tournament. Player pass cards and tournament roster may be reviewed at any time during the tournament if an issue or question should arise. All players are to be registered as only "Amateur" players, no "Professional" status players. All Clubs participating in this tournament must have a permission to travel from your State Soccer Association in a letter form at the time of registration.

Guest Players & Player Movement

Each (Men's Major Division) team is allowed to have no more than (3) guest players on their respective tournament player roster. Any and all guest players must have a proper pass card and player roster of which team they are currently registered with in their respected State Soccer Association.

Player(s) may be moved from the Over 35 Division team to the Men's Major Division team within its own Club, to help support the Major's team roster due to injury(s) or any type of understanding hardship. This has to be presented immediately to the Tournament Director for approval. Players of the age of 35(+) may play on both Over 35 and Major Division Teams if proper registration is presented.

Off – Sides

All games are played with the current off – sides rule in place.

Referees

All games will be officiated by licensed referees only. All games will be officiated with a (3) man/women system, with (1) referee and (2) assistant referees.

Games & Division Structure

All games are 2 x 25 minutes. Teams not ready to play their game at the scheduled time must forfeit that game by a score of 1- 0.

Teams will be seated into (2) divisions or groups when applicable. The winner of each division or group will play in a final or championship match to determine first place overall.

In the final or championship match, the game will also be 2 x 25 minutes. If the game is tied after the regulation time, an additional (2) five minute overtime periods shall be played. No golden goal rule. If the game is still tied after the overtime periods, the game will be decided by shots from the penalty mark in accordance with FIFA rules of the game.

Points

Each team will amass (3) points for each game won, they will get (1) point for a draw, and (0) points for a loss. Teams tied in division or group standings with the same number of points will be differentiated by the following manner. First tie breaker is "head to head" competition. Second tie breaker is "goal differential". The third tie breaker is most goals scored. The fourth tie breaker would be a coin toss to determine who will advance.

Goals Counted

All goals in the games played will be counted to and including the total of (5) goals. No more than (5) goals per game will be used in the total goals counted.

Example : Team "A" (7) total goals in game..... Goals to be counted would be (5)
Team "B" (4) total goals in game..... Goals to be counted would be (4)

Game Sheets or Line-up Cards

All teams must fill out a game sheet or line-up card prior to each game, which includes players name and jersey number they are to wear that game. Total of no more than (18) players may be put onto the game sheet or line-up card per game. Coaches are responsible for giving the game sheet or line-up card to the referee prior to the start of that scheduled game. The host Club is responsible for providing the game sheets or line-up cards to all the teams in the tournament competition at team registration.

The host Club is also responsible in the collection and control of all statistics from those game sheets or line-up cards. The host Club is also responsible in updating and posting scores and standings for all divisions or groups on a master tournament scoreboard.

Red Cards & Player Suspensions

Any player receiving a "RedCard" must automatically sit out one game which will be the next scheduled game in the tournament. All "Red Cards" will be brought up to the Tournament Director to be reviewed for any additional games to be added to the suspension.

Team Uniforms

Teams must all be dressed in proper uniforms, as in all the same jerseys, shorts, and socks. Remember you are representing your respected Club.

Rules of this tournament were updated and accepted at the delegates/managers meeting in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania at the UGH Club on Saturday, May 28th, 2011.

Note : The rule change to Guest Players & Player Movement will be implemented into the 2016 National Donauschwaben Tournament in Chicago after approval at the 2016 US National Society Meeting in Chicago on April 23-24, 2016