

AYSA Playoff/Tournament Rules

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Matches shall be played according to the rules established by FIFA, US Youth Soccer and Appleseed Youth Soccer.

Tournament schedules can be found at <http://www.aysasoccer.org/tournaments>

All tournament results will be emailed to aysareresults@gmail.com

All AYSA rules apply during tournament play.

Any team that forfeits a match will not advance to the next round.

- Any forfeiture prior to the start of the match will result in the forfeiting team being responsible for the full amount of the referee fees.
- Any team that knows they cannot complete the tournament should forfeit their first match.

All players and coaches must appear on the approved AYSA laminated roster.

Exception: Coach may have a recreation coaches card from AYSA. No state league coach's or player's cards will be excepted.

Coaches from each team will pay the referee fees prior to the start of the match.

Matches will consist two 25 minute halves.

Exception: U8 will play two 20 minute halves.

Any team failing to field the minimum number of players at the start of the match will forfeit the match.

- U8 minimum number of players is 4
- U9-U10 minimum number of players is 5
- U11-U12 minimum number of players is 6
- U13-Jr High minimum number of players is 7

Matches ending in a tie after regulation play:

- One 5-minute overtime played to completion (No Golden Goal).

Tie after overtime:

- Winner will be determined by a FIFA penalty kick elimination shootout
- Only players on the field at the end of the overtime period will be able to participate in the penalty kicks.

In the event play is stopped due to lightning or other severe weather, the following rules apply.

- Cover will be taken off the field.
- Players will not return to the field until all clear is given by the referee.

Match play has stopped after completion of first half.

- If time permits, play to completion
- Match must be completed before the scheduled start time of the next match.
- If the match cannot be completed the score will stand and be recorded at the time of stoppage.

Match stopped during the first half.

- If time permits, play to completion
- Match must be completed before the scheduled start time of the next match.
- If the half cannot be completed, the league will decide if the match will be rescheduled.
- The league reserves the right to reduce match times by up to 50% for adverse weather conditions.

Coaches, please remember to send results of tournament matches to aysaresults@gmail.com as soon as possible after each tournament match so the brackets can be updated.

There will be no protests. All decisions of the referee are final and binding.

Any player or coach that is red carded (two yellow cards equals a red card) will not be eligible to be at the next match. Second offense will exclude offending player or coach for the remainder of the tournament. AYSA reserves the right to investigate this matter further and impose additional penalties.

Coaches are responsible for the conduct of their spectators. Any spectator asked to leave by a referee or AYSA Executive Board member must comply or their team will forfeit the match.