



# Oregon Futsal Cup 2022

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## 2022 Oregon Futsal Cup Rules

### **Tournament Management Information**

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### **Oregon Futsal Cup Rules:**

#### **(A) Safety**

##### **(1) Bleeding from Nose, Cuts or Other Abrasions**

- (a) A player who is bleeding or has blood on his or her uniform must leave the pitch and may be substituted at the coach's discretion. A uniform with blood on it must be changed. After the bleeding is stopped and the wound is covered, the player may return to the match when beckoned onto the pitch by the referee.

##### **(2) Possible Head Injuries**

- (a) A player who demonstrates signs of concussion as a result of an observed or suspected blow to the head or body must leave the pitch and may not return to play in that match unless an athletic trainer registered by the Oregon Board of Athletic Trainers or licensed medical professional determines that the player has not suffered a concussion.
- (b) A referee will accept the determination of a certified athletic trainer only if the trainer has identified himself or herself to the referee prior to the match and has shown the referee a current Athletic Trainer registration identification card.
- (c) If a coach returns a player without approved clearance, the referee will end the match.
- (d) Referees will include in their match report information about any player required to leave the pitch because of a suspected concussion. A player who has been removed from a match by a referee because of a suspected concussion is ineligible to play until the League Director has received a copy of a medical release signed by a health care professional that authorizes an unrestricted return to competition.
- (e) Coaches should be aware that ORS 417.875, effective January 1, 2014, and amended April 13, 2018 applies to all competitions sanctioned by OYSA. Unless an athletic trainer registered by the Oregon Board of Athletic Trainers or a licensed physician pursuant to ORS 677.100 to 677.228 determines that a player has not suffered a possible head injury, a coach is prohibited from allowing a player who exhibits signs of concussion following an observed or suspected blow to the head or body to participate in any competition, including practice, until the player has been cleared to return to play by a qualified health care professional.

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### **(B) Laws of the Game and Rules of Competition**

The FIFA Futsal Laws of the Game apply, except as modified in these rules.

*[You can view a copy of the most recent edition of the Futsal Laws of the Game from FIFA's website:*

*<https://digitalhub.fifa.com/m/10690cc74b6dd26d/original/Laws-of-the-game-Futsal-2021.pdf>.]*

#### **(1) Substitutions**

- (a) Unlimited substitutions are permitted on the fly.
- (b) Players enter and leave the pitch from their team's substitution zone, in front of the team's bench area.
- (c) A substitute may only enter the pitch after the player being replaced has left the pitch.
- (d) If a substitute enters the pitch before the player being replaced has left, or if a substitute or player being replaced enters or leaves the pitch from a place other than the team's substitution zone:
  - (i) the referee stops play (although not immediately if they can apply advantage)
  - (ii) the referee cautions the individual for entering or exiting the pitch in contravention of the substitution procedure and orders the substitute to leave the pitch, if applicable.
- (e) A substitute may change places with the goalkeeper on the fly.
  - (i) A player on the pitch may change places with the goalkeeper, however, this player must do so during a stoppage in the match and must inform the referee(s) before the change is made.
  - (ii) A player or substitute replacing the goalkeeper must wear a goalkeeper's shirt with the player or substitute's own number on the back.

#### **(2) Substitutions for sent-off players**

- (a) A substitute player may replace a sent-off player by entering the pitch **two full minutes after** the sending-off, provided that the substitute has the authorization of the referee.
- (b) If the opposing team scores a goal before the two minutes have elapsed, the substitute may enter at that time.

#### **(3) No Offside**

- (a) There is no offside in futsal.

#### **(4) Heading Limitations**

- (a) In the U12 and younger age groups, a player may not intentionally use his/her head to play the ball.

#### **(5) Slide-Tackle Limitations**

- (a) In the U12 and younger age groups, a player may not challenge an opponent for a ball by slide-tackling.

#### **(6) Length of Matches and Ball Size**

- (a) All matches are played with 22-minute halves, with a 4-minute halftime.
  - (i) Stop clock lasts 2 minutes.
  - (ii) One 1-minute time out per half per team.
- (b) U12 and under use a futsal size 3 ball.
- (c) U13 and above use a futsal size 4 ball.
  - (i) For combined brackets, use the rules for the oldest age group in the combined bracket.

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### (7) Age Groups

- (a) A team's age is established by the age group of the oldest player on the roster.
- (b) Teams may not compete in an age group younger than the team's age.
- (c) Teams will not be permitted to play up at an older age group.
- (d) When the cup playing format groups teams together that would normally have different rules, the rules that apply to the oldest team in the division will apply to all games for all teams in the combined group.
- (e) The following chart shows the tournament's age groups and the youngest aged player that can be on the roster of a team in each age group.

Team Age	Youngest Player Allowed	Maximum Tournament Roster	Maximum Match Roster
U9	U8	14 players	10 players
U10	U9	14 players	10 players
U11	U10	14 players	10 players
U12	U10	14 players	10 players
U13	U11	14 players	10 players
U14	U12	14 players	10 players
U15	U13	14 players	10 players
U16	U14	14 players	10 players
U17	U14	14 players	10 players
U18/19	U14	14 players	10 players

### (8) Uniforms & Equipment

- (a) All players on the field must wear matching uniforms (except the goalkeeper) to the satisfaction of the referee. The goalkeeper's uniform must be a different color from that of the opposing keeper, all other players on the field, and the referee.
  - (i) Every player must have a unique number on their jersey.
  - (ii) Goalkeepers are allowed to wear appropriate pants instead of shorts.
- (b) In cases of uniform color similarity, the designated away team (listed second) will change jerseys or wear pinnies of a different color.
- (c) Cleats are NOT allowed. Futsal shoes, or footwear made of canvas, or soft leather training or gymnastic shoes with soles made of rubber or a similar material must be used.
- (d) A player may not wear or use any equipment that is dangerous to himself or another player.
  - (i) The referee's decision regarding dangerous equipment is conclusive.
  - (ii) Casts, splints, or braces must be padded and there shall be no exposed metal or any other hard material.
  - (iii) The referee may withdraw approval for a player to participate while wearing a cast or other protective equipment if the referee finds that the protective equipment is being used in a way that endangers the safety of any player.
- (e) **No jewelry is permitted.** Medical alert bracelets/necklaces are not considered jewelry and are allowed, if taped.
- (f) Shin guards, entirely covered by socks, are mandatory in all games. Players not wearing shin guards will not be allowed to play.

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### **(9) Kick-Off**

- (a) The team that wins the toss of a coin decides which goal to attack in the first period or to take the kick-off.
- (b) The ball is in play when it is kicked and clearly moves.
- (c) A goal may be scored directly against the opponents from the kick-off.
  - (i) If the ball directly enters the kicker's own goal from the kick-off, a corner kick is awarded to the opponents.

### **(10) Ball Out of Play**

- (a) The ball is out of play when it fully crosses any of the boundary lines or if it hits the ceiling.
  - (i) When putting the ball back in play, the ball must be stationary on the touchline at the point where it left the pitch or on the nearest point on the touch line to where the ball hit the ceiling.
- (b) The ball must be put into play within four seconds of the team being ready to put the ball into play or the referee signaling that the team is ready to put it into play.
- (c) All opponents must stand at least 5m from the point on the touchline where the kick-in is to be taken.
- (d) The ball is in play when it is kicked and clearly moves.
- (e) If the kick-in is taken and then, after it has been in play, the ball goes off the pitch over the same touchline where it was taken without touching any other player, it is retaken by the opposing team from the same location where the original kick-in was taken.
- (f) If a player, while correctly taking a kick-in, deliberately kicks the ball at an opponent in order to play the ball again but not in a careless or reckless manner or using excessive force, the referee allows play to continue.
- (g) The kicker must not touch ball again after a kick-in until it has touched another player.

### **(11) Goal Clearance**

- (a) The ball is in play when it is thrown or released and clearly moves.
- (b) The goalkeeper may not throw the ball directly over the halfway line.
  - (i) If the goalkeeper throws the ball directly over the halfway line, an indirect free kick is awarded to the opposing team, to be taken from the place where the ball crossed the halfway line.
- (c) The opponents must be on the pitch and outside the penalty area of the team taking the goal clearance until the ball is in play.
  - (i) If, when a goal clearance is taken rapidly, any opponents are inside the penalty area because they did not have time to leave, the referee allows play to continue.
  - (ii) If an opponent who is in the penalty area when the goal clearance is taken, or who enters the penalty area before the ball is in play, touches or challenges for the ball before it is in play, the goal clearance is retaken.
  - (iii) If a player enters the penalty area before the ball is in play and fouls or is fouled by an opponent, the goal clearance is retaken and the offender may be cautioned or sent off, depending on the offence.
- (d) The goalkeeper takes the goal clearance within four seconds of being ready to do so.
  - (i) If the goal clearance is not taken within four seconds, an indirect free kick is awarded to the opposing team, to be taken from the penalty area line at the place nearest to where the infringement occurred.



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### **(12) Offences Committed by Goalkeepers**

- (a) Definition of possession by a goalkeeper:
  - (i) Possession of the ball means that the goalkeeper has control of the ball. The goalkeeper is considered to be in control of the ball by touching it with any part of the body, except if the ball rebounds off the goalkeeper.
- (b) A goalkeeper is not permitted to be in possession of the ball inside his/her own half of the pitch for more than four seconds, whether:
  - (i) with his/her hands or arms (inside his/her penalty area)
  - (ii) with his/her feet (anywhere in his/her own half of the pitch)
- (c) In cases where the goalkeeper is in possession of the ball in their own half of the pitch, the referee must clearly and visibly make the four-second count.
- (d) After playing the ball anywhere on the pitch, the goalkeeper is not permitted to touch it again in his/her own half of the pitch after it has been deliberately played to him/her by a teammate without an opponent playing or touching it.
- (e) The goalkeeper may not touch the ball with his/her hands or arms inside his/her own penalty area after it has been kicked to him/her by a teammate.
- (f) The restart of play is an indirect free kick if one of the above offences is committed.

### **(13) Corner Kick**

- (a) A goal may be scored directly from a corner kick, but only against the opposing team.
  - (i) If the ball directly enters the kicker's goal, a corner kick is awarded to the opponents.
- (b) The opponents must be on the pitch at least 5m from the corner until the ball is in play.
- (c) The team taking the kick must deliver the ball within four seconds of being ready to do so.
- (d) If the corner kick is not taken within four seconds, a goal clearance is awarded to the opposing team.

### **(14) Direct Free Kick**

- (a) The referees may allow play to continue by applying the advantage.
  - (i) If the referees apply the advantage for an offence for which a caution/sending-off would have been issued, this caution/sending-off must be issued when the ball is next out of play.
  - (ii) The advantage should not be applied in situations involving serious foul play, violent conduct, a second Cautionable offence or a sixth (or subsequent) accumulated foul, unless there is a clear opportunity to score a goal.
  - (iii) If advantage is applied, the referees will indicate an accumulated foul as soon as the ball is out of play.
- (b) All opponents must be at least 5m from the ball until it is play.

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### **(15) Direct Free Kick Beginning with Sixth Accumulated Foul by Each Team in Each Period (DFKSAF)**

- (a) A direct free kick beginning with the 6<sup>th</sup> accumulated foul is awarded for the 6<sup>th</sup> accumulated foul and all subsequent such fouls committed by a team in each period.
  - (i) If the 6<sup>th</sup> or subsequent accumulated foul is committed inside the offender's penalty area, a penalty kick is awarded instead.
- (b) A goal may be scored directly from a DFKSAF and the kicker must attempt to do so.
- (c) The defending team's players may not form a "wall" to defend a DFKSAF.
- (d) DFKSAF procedure:
  - (i) The ball must be stationary on the 10m mark or at the place where the DFKSAF offence was committed (provided that this was in the area between the defending team's goal line and the imaginary line outside the penalty area, 10m from and parallel to the goal line).
  - (ii) If the DFKSAF offence was committed in this area, the kicker may choose to take the DFKSAF either on the 10m mark or from the place where the foul was committed.
  - (iii) The defending goalkeeper must be at least 5m away from the ball until it has been kicked
  - (iv) All other players must be at least 5m from the ball, behind the ball, and outside the penalty area.
  - (v) The player taking the DFKSAF must kick the ball toward the opponents' goal and with the intention of scoring a goal directly.
  - (vi) If a DFKSAF is awarded when a period is about to end, the period will be considered to have ended when the DFKSAF has been completed (ie., when one of the following occurs: the ball stops moving or goes out of play, the ball is played by any player other than the defending goalkeeper, or the referees stop play for an offence by the kicker or kicker's team)
  - (vii) If a defending team's player (including the goalkeeper) commits an offence and the DFKSAF is missed/saved, the DFKSAF is retaken.

### **(16) Indirect Free Kick**

- (a) If an indirect free kick is kicked directly into the opponent's goal, a goal clearance is awarded.
- (b) If an indirect free kick is kicked directly into the kicker's goal, a corner kick awarded to the opposing team.
- (c) All opponents must be at least 5m from the ball until it is in play.
- (d) An indirect free kick conceded in the penalty area is taken from the penalty area line at the point nearest to where the offense was committed.

### **(17) End of the Match**

- (a) After hearing the referee's whistle or the timekeeper's acoustic signal, the match is over— unless a direct free kick beginning with the sixth accumulated foul or a penalty kick has been awarded, in which case the period in question is extended until the kick has been completed.
- (b) In the case above, the kick is considered completed when, after the ball is in play, one of the following occurs:
  - (i) The ball stops moving or goes out of play
  - (ii) The ball is subsequently played by any player (including the kicker) other than the defending goalkeeper
  - (iii) The referee stops play for an offence by the kicker or the kicker's team

## **(C) Game Start Time & Interruptions**

### **(1) Scheduled Time and Location**

- (a) Teams are expected to play matches at the scheduled time and location.

### **(2) Printed Match Roster & OYSA Futsal Member Passes**

- (a) Prior to each scheduled game, referees must complete the player/coach credential check-in process, using Printed OYSA Futsal Member Passes and/or Digital Player Cards and an Official Printed Match Roster. Referees will return Printed OYSA Futsal Member Passes after check-in.

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- (i) A coach with an OYSA Futsal Member Pass/Digital Card is required at all matches.

### **(3) 10-Minute Waiting Period**

- (a) The referee will wait for 10 minutes after the scheduled start time for one or more of the teams to complete pre-match check-in (by providing OYSA Futsal Member Passes/Digital Player cards and an Official Printed Match Roster and providing the minimum number of 3 eligible players and 1 eligible coach/adult to begin the match).
  - (i) If a match cannot be started after the 10-minute waiting period, the referee and/or the coaches must call the Game Day Hotline (see pg. 2) before abandoning the match.

### **(4) Suspended Play**

- (a) If play must be temporarily suspended for safety issues or cannot be completed due to safety concerns or other issues arising during the match, the referee and coaches/team officials must call the Game Day Hotline (see pg. 2) for guidance.
  - (i) If the first half of the match has been completed, the match will be considered completed and the result considered final.
  - (ii) Matches that are not played or have completed less than one half of play will be rescheduled, if possible.
  - (iii) The referee must include information about the suspended play in their Match Report.

### **(5) Missing Referees**

- (a) If no assigned referee is present at the scheduled field 10 minutes prior to the scheduled match start time, call the league's Referee Emergency number (see pg. 2) to inform and request guidance.
  - (i) If the match cannot be played, the match will be rescheduled, if possible.

## **(D) Minimum and Maximum Number of Participants in a Match**

### **(1) Players and Coaches**

- (a) A match is played by two teams of not more than **five players** each, one of whom is the goalkeeper.
  - (i) A team may have a maximum of 10 players present for a match.
  - (ii) A team may have a maximum of 2 coaches present for a match.
- (b) A match may not start if a team does not have at least **three players and one eligible adult/coach**.

### **(2) Eligible Adult/Coach**

- (a) An eligible adult/coach is an adult who has with them a valid OYSA Futsal Member Pass/Digital Card for the current seasonal year.

### **(3) Maintaining Participant Minimums**

- (a) If a team fails to maintain the minimum number of players on the pitch (three) or eligible adults/coaches (one) in the team's bench area after a match has been started, the match will be abandoned.
  - (i) A match abandoned for failing to maintain the minimum number of players will stand as a completed match with a final score of a 3-0 loss for the team that failed to maintain the minimum number of players.
  - (ii) The referee must notify the Game Day Hotline (see pg. 2) and the front desk if a match is abandoned, along with noting it in the Match Report.

## **(E) Team Sidelines**

### **(1) Team Placement / Spectator Placement**

- (a) Both teams must be on one side of the pitch.
  - (i) A "team" consists of those players, coaches and team officials who have checked-in with the referee.
- (b) Teams will switch benches after the first half. A team's bench is always located on the side of the pitch they are defending.

### **(2) Ineligible Players in Team Area / Technical Area**

- (a) A player who is ineligible to play in a match may be permitted in the Team Area/Technical Area **ONLY** if the player is **NOT** wearing the team uniform (including team warmups) and has a valid

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OYSA Futsal Member Pass/Digital Player Card.

### **(3) Eligible Adults/Coaches in Team Area / Technical Area**

- (a) Only eligible adults/coaches with an OYSA Futsal Member Pass/Digital Card for the current seasonal year may be in the Team Area/Technical Area.
  - (i) No more than 2 eligible adults/coaches may be in the Team Area/Technical Area.

### **(4) Circumstances Involving Player / Team Official Illness or Injury**

- (a) Additional adults may be in the team area, at the discretion of the referee, to aid an ill or injured player or team official.

## **(F) Rosters and Registration**

### **(1) Roster Freeze**

- (a) Rosters are frozen for the Oregon Futsal Cup. Teams may not borrow players outside of the final roster submitted to OYSA by the Oregon Futsal Cup roster freeze deadline.
- (b) A player may only be rostered to one single team in the Oregon Futsal Cup.

### **(2) Registration Maximums**

- (a) Futsal teams may register **a maximum of 14 players and 4 coaches or team officials.**

Team Age	Youngest Player Allowed	Maximum Tournament Roster	Maximum Match Roster
U9	U8	14 players	10 players
U10	U9	14 players	10 players
U11	U10	14 players	10 players
U12	U10	14 players	10 players
U13	U11	14 players	10 players
U14	U12	14 players	10 players
U15	U13	14 players	10 players
U16	U14	14 players	10 players
U17	U14	14 players	10 players
U18/19	U14	14 players	10 players

## **(G) Printed Futsal Member Passes or Digital Player Cards**

### **(1) Printed Futsal Member Passes or Digital Player Cards are Mandatory**

- (a) Each player, coach, and team official who will be in the Team Area/Technical Area during the match must provide a Printed OYSA Futsal Member Pass for the current seasonal year or show a Digital Player Card for the current seasonal year to the referee.
  - (i) Link to access digital player cards: <https://oysa.affinitysoccer.com/m/pass/index.aspx>

### **(2) Printed Futsal Member Pass Requirements**

- (i) The Printed Futsal Member Pass must show the USYS logo as a watermark
- (ii) The Printed Futsal Member Pass must display a club name.
- (iii) The Printed Futsal Member Pass must display a photo of the player or team official.
- (iv) The Printed Futsal Member Pass must be laminated.
- (v) The Printed Futsal Member Pass must show the current seasonal year.
- (vi) The Printed Futsal Member Pass must show the name and age of the player.
- (vii) A signature is not required on the Printed Futsal Member Pass.
- (viii) Only original Printed Futsal Member Passes may be used. No photos or copies will be accepted.
- (ix) Only Futsal Member Passes may be used.
- (x) Recreational, Developmental, and Competitive Member Passes are not valid to play in the Oregon Futsal Cup.

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### **(H) Check-in Procedures**

#### **(1) Responsibilities During Check-In**

- (a) The referee is responsible for verifying that a valid Printed OYSA Futsal Member Pass or valid Digital Player Card is presented for each player, coach, and team official who is listed on the Official Printed Match Roster.
- (b) The referee will return all Printed OYSA Futsal Member Passes to the teams after check-in.
- (c) **Coaches must present an Official Printed Match Roster and Printed OYSA Futsal Member Passes or Digital Player Cards to the referee.**
  - (i) No write-ins are allowed for players; written-in coaches may be present if they present a valid OYSA Futsal Member Pass for the same club as the team.

#### **(2) Player(s) Arriving After Check-In**

- (a) A player who is not present for pre-match check-in (i.e., arrives late) may only participate provided that the following conditions are met:
  - (i) The player's name was on the Official Printed Match Roster presented to the referee at team check-in.
  - (ii) The player's name was not crossed off the Official Printed Match Roster.
  - (iii) The player completes check-in upon arrival by identifying their name on the Official Printed Match Roster and presenting a printed OYSA Futsal Member Pass or Digital Player Card to the referee.

#### **(3) No Printed Futsal Member Passes or Digital Player Cards, No Match**

- (a) Before abandoning a match due to missing Printed Futsal Member Passes or Digital Player Cards, the referee must call the Game Day Hotline (see pg. 2) for guidance.

### **(I) Responsibilities of Coaches and Team Officials**

#### **(1) Knowing the FIFA Futsal Laws of the Game and Oregon Futsal Cup Rules**

- (a) The coach in charge of a team at a match is responsible for knowing the FIFA Futsal Laws of the Game and the Oregon Futsal Cup rules.

#### **(2) Ensuring Proper Conduct of Team's Players, Coaches, Team Officials, and Spectators**

- (a) The coach in charge of a team at a match is responsible for the conduct of the team's players, coaches, team officials, and spectators.
  - (i) The referee may require the coach to take action to control the behavior of or remove spectators whose words or actions are offensive, insulting, abusive, profane, disruptive or interfere with a referee or the orderly conduct of the match.
  - (ii) The coach in charge of the team may be warned, cautioned, or sent off for failing to control the conduct of the team's spectators, officials, or players.
  - (iii) If a game is abandoned because of the behavior of a team's spectators, team officials, or players, the team's coach may be suspended in addition to any other administrative discipline assessed to the team resulting from the abandonment.
- (b) Any reported instances of referee abuse or referee assault by a player, coach, team official, or spectator will be forwarded to OYSA, or the alleged perpetrator's home State Association, for disciplinary proceedings as specified by US Soccer Federation Policy 531-9.

#### **(3) Ensuring Proper Coaching**

- (a) Giving direction to one's own team on points of strategy and position is permitted from the Team Area/Technical Area by ONE coach at a time.
  - (i) No device may be used by a coach or team official to receive coaching direction from anyone outside of the Technical Area/Team area.
  - (ii) Coaching must be informative, not abusive or derogatory.

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### **(J) Disciplinary Actions for Players, Coaches, and Team Officials**

#### **(1) Players**

- (a) Referees will note all cautions (yellow cards) in their online Match Report.
- (b) A player or substitute is cautioned if guilty of:
  - (i) Delaying the restart of play
  - (ii) Dissent by word or action
  - (iii) Entering or re-entering the pitch without the referee's permission or in contravention of the substitution procedure
  - (iv) Failing to respect the required distance when play is restarted with a corner kick, free kick, or kick-in
  - (v) Persistent offences (no specific number or pattern of offences constitutes "persistent")
  - (vi) Unsporting behavior
- (c) Referees will note all send-offs (red cards) as soon as possible in their online Match Report, and provide a detailed description.
- (d) A player or substitute who commits any of the following offences is sent off:
  - (i) Denying the opposing team a goal or an obvious goalscoring opportunity through a handball offence or by moving or overturning the goal (such as when this prevents the ball from passing over the goal line).
  - (ii) Denying a goal or an obvious goalscoring opportunity (provided that the goal is unguarded by the defending goalkeeper) to an opponent whose overall movement is towards the offender's goal through an offence punishable with a free kick.

EXCEPTION: Where a player commits an offence against an opponent within his/her own penalty area which denies the opponent an obvious goalscoring opportunity and the referee awards a penalty kick, the offender is cautioned if the offence was an attempt to play the ball; in all other circumstances (e.g. holding, pulling, pushing, no possibility to play the ball, etc.), the offending player must be sent off.

- (iii) Serious foul play
- (iv) Biting or spitting at someone
- (v) Violent conduct
- (vi) Using offensive, insulting, or abusive language and/or gestures
- (vii) Receiving a second caution in the same match.

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### (2) Coaches and Team Officials

- (a) **Warnings:** the following offences committed by a coach or team official should usually result in a warning; repeated or blatant offenses should result in a caution or sending off:
  - (i) Entering the pitch in a respectful/non-confrontational manner (without the permission of the referee)
  - (ii) Failing to cooperate with a referee *e.g.* ignoring an instruction/request
  - (iii) Minor/low-level disagreement (by word or action) with a referee decision
  - (iv) Occasionally leaving the confines of the Team Area/Technical Area without committing another offence
- (b) **Cautions:** Cautionable offences committed by a coach or team official include (but are not limited to):
  - (i) Clearly/persistently not respecting the confines of their Team Area/Technical Area
  - (ii) Delaying the restart of play by their own team
  - (iii) Deliberately entering the Team Area/Technical Area of the opposing team (non-confrontational)
  - (iv) Dissent by word or action, including throwing/kicking bottles or other objects, and gestures which show a clear lack of respect for the referees (like sarcastic clapping)
  - (v) Excessively/persistently gesturing for a red or yellow card
  - (vi) Gesturing or acting in a provocative or inflammatory manner
  - (vii) Persistent unacceptable behavior (including repeated Warning offences)
  - (viii) Showing a lack of respect for the game
- (c) **Sending-Off:** Sending-off offenses committed by a coach or team official include (but are not limited to):
  - (i) Delaying the restart of play by the opposing team *e.g.* holding onto the ball, kicking the ball away, and/or obstructing the movement of a player
  - (ii) Deliberately leaving the Team Area/Technical Area to show dissent towards a referee or act in a provocative or inflammatory manner
  - (iii) Entering the opposing Team Area/Technical Area in an aggressive or confrontational manner
  - (iv) Deliberately throwing/kicking an object onto the pitch
  - (v) Entering the pitch to confront a referee or interfere with play, an opposing player or a referee
  - (vi) Aggressive behavior (including spitting or biting) towards any person in the vicinity of the match.
  - (vii) Receiving a second caution in the same match
  - (viii) Using offensive, insulting, abusive, or profane language and/or gestures
  - (ix) Violent Conduct
- (d) Referees will provide a detailed description of all warnings, cautions (yellow cards), and send-offs (red cards) of coaches or team officials in the “cards issued” section of the referee's online Match Report.
  - (i) Referees will call the Referee Emergency number (see pg. 2) after the match to immediately inform it of any send-offs of coaches or team officials.
- (e) If a coach is sent-off, the assistant coach or an eligible adult with a valid Futsal Member Pass from the team's club will assume the coach's responsibilities.
  - (i) If no eligible adult with a valid Futsal Member Pass from the team's club is available to assume the coach's responsibilities, the referee will abandon the match and inform the Game Day Hotline (see pg. 2).

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### **(3) Players, Coaches, and Team Officials who are Sent-Off**

- (a) A player who has been sent-off by the referee must promptly leave the pitch and the Team Area/Technical Area.
  - (i) The coach must direct the player to remain on the spectator side of the field for the rest of the match with his/her parent(s), a team official, or another responsible parent from the player's team.
  - (ii) If no responsible adult listed above is available to accompany the player for the rest of the match on the spectator side, the player may remain in the Team Area/Technical Area under the supervision of the team's coach.
  - (iii) Any additional misconduct or irresponsible behavior by a sent-off player may result in additional disciplinary action by the league.
- (b) A coach or team official who has been sent-off by the referee must promptly leave the facility and remain out of sight until the match has ended.
  - (i) If the coach or team official who has been sent-off refuses to leave the playing area, or returns after leaving, the referee may abandon the match.
  - (ii) Details regarding the coach's or team official's failure to leave the area and subsequent abandonment of the match must be included in the referee Match Report, and the Game Day Hotline must be called (see pg. 2)
- (c) **Players, coaches, and team officials who are sent off by the referee are automatically suspended for at least the next match.**
  - (i) A suspension longer than one match may be imposed.

### **(K) Referee's Match Report**

#### **(1) Verify the Score**

- (a) Both coaches should verify with the referee at the game's conclusion that their score matches the score recorded in the referee's Match Report.

#### **(2) Submitted Online**

- (a) All referees must submit online Match Reports through Oregon Soccer Central, including the score and red & yellow cards, along with information about any Possible Head Injuries.

### **(L) Score Reporting in Affinity**

#### **(1) Both Teams Must Enter Scores Online Within 1 Hour**

- (a) **Both teams** are required to enter their score into the Affinity online software **within 1 hour** of the match's end.
  - (i) Any coach or team manager rostered to the team may enter the scores.
  - (ii) Instructions for entering scores into the Affinity online software are available on the Leagues page of the OYSA website:  
[https://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/e0e3f4\\_034cd340cb534b5f9871267ee291a359.pdf](https://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/e0e3f4_034cd340cb534b5f9871267ee291a359.pdf)
  - (iii) If the teams involved in a match enter conflicting scores, the final score will be entered by the Tournament Manager based on the score reported by the referee.

#### **(2) Teams: Do Not Enter Red/Yellow Cards Online**

- (a) **Neither team** enters disciplinary information from a match into the Affinity online software.
  - (i) Disciplinary information will be entered by league administrators, from the referee's online Match Report.

### **(M) Points Scoring Method, Tie-Breakers, and Kicks from the Mark**

#### **(1) Points Scoring**

- (a) The standings of teams during bracket play are based upon the number of points earned as follows:
  - (i) 3 points for a win (forfeits are considered a 3-0 victory)
  - (ii) 1 point for a tie



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(iii) 0 points for a loss

### (2) **Tie-Breakers:**

- (a) In the event teams are tied based on points earned, each team's placement in the standings will be determined in accordance with the following sequential criteria:
- (i) Winner in head-to-head competition
  - (ii) Winner of most games.
  - (iii) Highest goal differential (goals scored minus goals against) with a maximum differential of seven (7) goals per match.
  - (iv) Fewest total goals allowed.
  - (v) Most goals scored
  - (vi) Most shutouts achieved
  - (vii) Coin Flip

### (3) **Kicks from the Mark:**

- (a) If a quarterfinal, semifinal, or final match is tied at the end of the match, Kicks from the Mark will take place (no overtime will be played).
- (i) Teams will each take 5 kicks from the mark.
  - (ii) If tied after 5 kicks, teams will continue to alternate kicks from the mark until a team scores and the other team does not.
  - (iii) The penalty mark is located on the penalty area line 6 meters from the goal.

## (N) **Match Suspensions for Individuals**

### (1) **List of Minimum Suspensions**

- (a) Minimum suspensions that apply without a disciplinary hearing are listed in the table below.
- (i) Where a penalty is shown as a range, the length of the suspension will be set by the tournament's Disciplinary Committee.

<b>Offence</b>	<b>Minimum Suspension</b>
Player sent-off for a second caution received in the same match	1 match
Player sent-off for denying a goal or obvious goal-scoring opportunity by committing a handball offence	1 match
Player sent-off for denying a goal or obvious goal-scoring opportunity by committing a foul	1 match
Player sent off for serious foul play	1-3 matches
Player sent-off for offensive, insulting, or abusive language and/or gestures (OIALG) directed at no one	1 match
Player sent-off for OIALG directed towards a specific person	1-5 matches
Player sent-off for Violent Conduct	2-3 matches
Coach or team official sent off	1-5 matches
Coach or team official refused to leave facility after being sent-off (added to suspension for sending-off)	2 matches - rest of the tournament
Refusing to give name to referee by player or coach when a card is recorded (added to any suspension for the card, if applicable)	1 match

### (2) **Disciplinary Result of a Suspended/Ineligible Player or Coach Participating**

- (a) A team will forfeit every match in which a suspended (or otherwise ineligible) player or

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coach participates.

### **(3) Other Suspensions Details**

- (a) The Tournament Director will refer any issues regarding participation by an unregistered or improperly registered player to OYSA for disciplinary proceedings.
- (b) Any allegations of referee abuse or referee assault will be forwarded to the home State Association of the alleged perpetrator for disciplinary proceedings in accordance with USSF Policy 531-9.

### **(4) Conditions of Suspensions**

- (a) Coaches or team officials serving suspensions cannot participate in any game activities related to the team from which they were suspended. Coaches are prohibited from participating in any pre-match activities and must remain out of sight of the match during matches from which they are suspended.
  - (i) The use of any electronic device by the suspended coach or team official to contact another individual on the team during pre-match or match activities is prohibited.
- (b) Players who are serving suspensions may sit in the Team Area/Technical Area during the game(s) from which they have been suspended ONLY if the player is NOT wearing the team uniform (this includes team warmups).
  - (i) Any misconduct may result in removal from the Team Area/Technical Area at the request of the referee or tournament officials, and additional sanctions are possible.

### **(O) Abandoned Matches**

#### **(1) Matches Abandoned without Fault (as determined by the referee and OYSA)**

- (a) The Game Day Hotline (see pg. 2) must be called and informed
- (b) The Tournament Director and League Scheduler will work with the teams to try to reschedule the match.
- (c) If a reschedule is determined to not be possible, the match will be scored as follows:
  - (i) If the first half has been completed, the score at the time of abandonment will be the final score.
  - (ii) If the first half has not been completed, the score will be entered as a 0-0 draw.

#### **(2) Matches Abandoned with Fault (as determined by the referee and OYSA)**

- (a) The Game Day Hotline (see pg. 2) must be called and informed
- (b) If the abandonment is due to the behavior of a coach, team official, player, or spectator, **the match will not be rescheduled.**
- (c) If only one team is at fault, the score will be entered as a forfeit by the team at fault.
- (d) If both teams are at fault, the game will be scored as a forfeit by both teams
  - (i) In this case, neither team will receive any points toward standings from the match.

### **(P) Penalties for Failure to Play and Abandoned Matches**

#### **(1) Failure to Play**

- (a) A team fails to play a match when a team does not have the required number of players and coaches/team officials at the location of a scheduled match to begin the game within 10 minutes after the official match start time.
- (b) The result of the game will be scored as a forfeit by the team that failed to play.

#### **(2) Abandonment – Forced (refusal to continue play)**

- (a) A team that forces a referee to abandon a match by refusing to continue to play after the match has begun will forfeit the match.
- (b) If a team refuses to continue a match after a coach is sent-off, and there is another eligible adult for the team present at the match, the team will be removed from the tournament.

#### **(3) Abandonment - Behavior**

- (a) When a match is abandoned due to the conduct of coaches, team officials, players, or spectators, the team or teams at fault will forfeit the match and be subject to fines.
- (b) If both teams are found to be at fault,
  - (i) both teams will be fined

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(ii) the game will be scored as a 0-0 draw and a forfeit by both teams.

### (4) Table of Fines in addition to Forfeit

Offence	Fine/Punishment
Failure to play a game	\$150
Abandoned Game - Behavior	\$300
Abandoned Game - Forced	\$300
Ineligible Player - Suspended	\$300
Ineligible Player - Registration	\$300
Abandoned Game - No Adult - Discipline	\$300
Abandoned Game – Not enough Players – Discipline	\$300
Referee abuse by player, coach/team official, or spectator	\$500
Referee assault by player, coach/team official, or spectator	\$1,000

### (Q) Withdrawing from Tournament - Refunds and Penalties

#### (1) Refunds or Penalties due to Withdrawal from Tournament

Withdrawal Date	Refund	Penalty
Before entry deadline	Full refund	N/A
After entry deadline, before scheduling	None	Forfeit entry fee
After schedules have been published	None	\$700 Forfeit entry fee
After first game played	None	\$700 Forfeit entry fee, forfeit all games.

### (R) Payment of Fines and Penalties

#### (1) Fine Notice

(a) Fines are due and payable upon notice sent to the individual, team, or club against which the fine has been imposed.

#### (2) Failure to Pay

(a) A club that fails to pay fines levied against it, or has teams, or individuals representing the club who fail to pay fines, may have its teams denied entry into other leagues or tournaments operated by OYSA.

### (S) Protests and Procedures

#### (1) Protests

(a) A protest is a complaint arising out of the misapplication of the Laws of the Game or misapplication of a tournament rule. The protest must be based upon violations of these tournament rules or the Laws of the Game.

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### **(2) Protests Procedures**

- (a) A protest may only be submitted by the head coach of a team, or the acting head coach of a team, who is present at the match being protested.
- (b) The person submitting the protest must verbally notify both the referee and the opposing coach within 15 minutes following the end of the match that the game will be protested.
- (c) A written protest that clearly states the tournament rule or FIFA Law that was violated, must be submitted to the Tournament Director (see pg. 2) by the end of the first business day following the protested game.
- (d) The protest must be submitted using the protest form available on any of the league or tournament pages of the OYSA website.  
[\(https://oysa.wufoo.com/forms/zeic9i80cvvvq4/\)](https://oysa.wufoo.com/forms/zeic9i80cvvvq4/).

### **(T) Powers of Tournament Director**

#### **(1) Powers**

- (a) Decide all contested scores and other matters pertaining to the operation of the tournament.
- (b) Hear all protests.
- (c) Determine all questions of eligibility for players and teams to participate in the tournament.
- (d) Make final decisions whether to accept teams into the tournament.
- (e) Decide all disciplinary matters, and may impose fines and suspensions up to and including suspension from participation in any other OYSA leagues or tournaments.
- (f) Provide written notice of the disciplinary sanctions and fines imposed for violation of these rules.
- (g) Arrange for a hearing on all matters that require a hearing under these rules.
- (h) Refer matters to the home state association of an individual, team, or club for additional disciplinary proceedings when the Tournament Director believes that the behavior warrants penalties that exceed the Tournament Director's authority.
- (i) Decisions of the Tournament Director regarding the conduct of the tournament, application of tournament rules, and interpretation of tournament rules are not subject to appeal.
- (j) The Tournament Director may delegate performance of any of the powers and/or duties of the Tournament Director described in these rules to one or more persons that the Tournament Director designates.
- (k) The person(s) exercising any of the powers or authority delegated by the Tournament Director shall have all of the power and authority of the Tournament Director in regard to such matters.