

# Sockers FC Chicago College Showcase

## **Tournament Requirements:**

- All players and coaches participating must be registered and in good standing with their local US Club Soccer/USYSA/USSF/FIFA organizations.
- All teams must Register Online with their Official Roster from their Sanctioning Body as well as players and coaches passes. Passes and Waivers should be brought to all games.

## **Generals:**

- For 13U-19U the maximum number of players on the roster is 22 including 3 guest players. Only 18 permitted to dress per game.
- Teams of all levels may complete the application process and submit payment to be considered for this event.
- You will be notified of your acceptance no later than 20 days before the tournament. If you are not accepted, your entry fee will be returned.
- If a team cancels after acceptance into the tournament, the team will forfeit its entry.

## **Fee:**

- A full refund will be issued if the tournament is canceled and cannot be rescheduled for any reason. Partial refunds will be issued in a pro-rated basis if some of the games cannot be played for severe weather conditions.

## **FORMAT:**

- Each team will play a minimum of 3 games.
- All age groups will be divided into Brackets of 4,5,6 teams.
- We will be using all licensed referees for a three-man system for age groups 13U – 19U.
- We reserve the right to combine age groups if there are not enough teams in any of the age groups. The coaches or team manager of any teams involved will be contacted prior to the tournament for their approval.
- The Protest Committee will rule on all protests. All protests must be submitted in writing immediately after the game. Protest can be filed with our Tournament Director along with \$100 fee.

## **GAME PROCEDURES:**

- Both teams should be on the opposing sideline of spectators.
- Home Team has kick-off and Away Team choice of side.
- Home Team should wear light colors and Away Team should wear dark colors.
- In case of jerseys color conflict, the Home Team changes jerseys.
- Teams are ready to play at game time or at referee's request.
- Substitutions shall be unlimited in all age groups. Both teams can sub in any stoppage with exception of corner kicks.
- The Referee will not stop his/her watch for substitutions, only for serious injury or timewasting.
- If adverse conditions, not limited to weather, necessitate rescheduling, curtailment, or cancellation of games, the Tournament Directors shall have absolute authority to make these changes to best serve the interests of the tournament.

## **Games duration:**

- 13U – 19U 2 x 35 minutes.
- 13U - 19U teams play with size 5 ball.

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## PLAYERS EQUIPMENT:

- All equipment must conform to USSF rules due to insurance regulation.
- Casts and braces: The referee for each match will be the sole judge as to whether a player wearing an orthopedic cast or braces shall be eligible to participate.

## Protective equipment:

- All players in every age group will be required to wear FIFA approved protective shinguards at all times, while actively participating in a game.
- The Tournament endorses FIFA Law 4 on Safety which states "A player must not use equipment or wear anything which is dangerous (including any kind of jewelry)". "FIFA notes that, under the "Powers and Duties" of the referee in Law 5 - The Referee, he or she has the authority to ensure that the players' equipment meets the requirements of Law 4. Modern equipment such as headgear, facemasks, knee, and arm protectors made of soft, lightweight, padded material are not considered dangerous and are therefore permitted." Medical bracelets or necklaces must be taped or otherwise secured so as not to present a hazard and in a manner that the medical message can be clearly seen.

## PLAYERS, COACHES AND SPECTATORS CONDUCT:

- Red Carded players will be disqualified for the next scheduled game.
- Managers /Coaches will be responsible for the behavior of their fans.
- Any serious complaint or misconduct of a team, its players, coaches, or fans will be reported to the respective organization and any referee assault will be dealt according to USSF Rule and Disciplinary Committee of their Sanctioning Body.
- The site directors have the authority and responsibility to remove any person(s) from the tournament for abuses of good conduct, in addition to any specific disciplinary action brought by any other authority.
- Tournament Directors may suspend any offending manager/coach/players for the duration of the tournament if further disciplinary action is appropriate.
- If a coach has multiple teams in the tournament, any suspension shall be applicable to each age group in which the infraction occurred unless further disciplinary action is taken against this individual.

## GENERAL:

- The Tournament Committee will not be responsible for any expense incurred by any team due to the cancellation in whole or part of this tournament.
- The Tournament Committee's interpretation of the foregoing rules and regulations shall be final.
- The Tournament Committee reserves the right to decide on all tournament matters.
- Violation of tournament rules may result in immediate elimination from tournament competition.
- Drones are prohibited – the City of Schaumburg ordinance prohibits the use and operations of drones over all government owned, operated and affiliated properties.
- Teams requesting hotel accommodations can contact Barb Cole @ 630-920-9028 to obtain a listing of participating local hotels or email her at [theperfectplan@ameritech.net](mailto:theperfectplan@ameritech.net)