

Tomah Youth Soccer Tournament 2011

Tournament Rules

1. **No protests will be allowed – the ruling of the referee is final!!**
2. The rules of the Wisconsin Youth Soccer Association govern this tournament except where noted.
3. **Awards:**
 - a. Participation medals will be given to all U8 players.
 - b. For U10 and up: Individual awards will be presented to all the players on the roster of the 1st place team and medals for the 2nd place team players.

4. **Eligibility and Team composition:**

- a. Maximum roster size:

U8	10 players
U10	12 players
U12	16 players
U14	22 players

- b. Three roster changes/substitutions/guest players are allowed at check in prior to the start of a team's first game.
- c. Only valid USSF teams are allowed to enter tournament. All U10 and up players must have a current, valid player card.
- d. All current, valid player cards and team roster must be presented to the registration tent prior to a team's first game.
- e. Non-Wisconsin teams must have a "Permission to Travel" form from their state association.

5. **Game Length:**

- a. All game lengths can be changed by weather if needed (will be determined by tournament officials):

Age	<u>U8</u>	<u>U10</u>	<u>U12</u>	<u>U14</u>
Halves	2 X 20 min	2 X 20 min	2 X 25 min	2 X 30 min
Break	5 min	5 min	5 min	5 min

6. **Uniforms/Ball size:**

- a. Home teams are the first team listed for each game. The home team must be prepared to change jersey color if there is a conflict. The home team must supply a game ball acceptable to the referee for play if it is not supplied by the tournament host.

Age	<u>U8</u>	<u>U10</u>	<u>U12</u>	<u>U14</u>
Ball size	3	4	4	5

- b. Shin guards must be completely covered by stockings.

- c. No casts will be allowed per Wisconsin Youth Soccer Association rules.
- d. No jewelry of any kind may be worn. This includes necklaces, earrings, bracelets, watches and rings. Medical tags may be worn if secured properly underneath the uniform.
- e. All glasses must be strapped. Plastic framed glasses are recommended.

7. Scoring:

Win	Tie	Loss	Shutout
6 points	3 points	0 points	1 point

- One point will be allowed for each goal scored, with a maximum of three (3) points per game, win, lose or tie. **EXAMPLE 1:** The result of a game between Team A and Team B was 4-4. Scoring for each team will be 6 (3 points for the tie plus 3 points for up to 3 goals scored). **EXAMPLE 2:** The result of a game between Team A and Team B was 4-2 to the advantage of Team A. Scoring will be for Team A - 9 points (6 for the win plus 3 for up to 3 goals) and for Team B - 2 points (for goals scored). **EXAMPLE 3:** The result of a game between Team A and Team B was 5-0 to the advantage of Team A. Scoring will be for Team A – 10 points (6 for the win plus 3 for the goals plus 1 for the shutout) and for Team B – 0 points.
- No shutout points will be awarded for 0-0 ties.
- If a team forfeits the start of a game, the non-forfeiting team or teams will receive the maximum 10 points. If after the game starts, one of the teams drops below minimum numbers (4 players for U8, 6 players for U10, and 7 players for U12 and U14), the game will end at that point by the current score. However, if a team drops below the number of players mentioned above because of penalties, the other team will be declared winner by forfeit and will receive maximum points.
- All games in pool play that are tied at the end of regulation play will end tied with points awarded accordingly.
- If teams are tied after playing the regular time **at the Championship or Final Games**, up to two (2) additional five (5) minute periods will be awarded with sudden death determining the winner (first score by either team). If after two (2) additional periods they are still tied, penalty kicks (5-5) then sudden victory will determine the winner.

8. Tie Breakers – All division winners will be determined by:

- a. Total points
- b. Head-to-head competition
- c. Fewest goals allowed
- d. Number of shutouts
- e. Total goals scored
- f. Shoot-out

9. Teams should be at their designated field 15 minutes prior to kick-off.

10. Substitutions:

- a. A player may enter the field without permission of the official at the beginning of the game, quarter or half-time.

- b. To request a substitution, a substitute player shall be ready prior to stoppage of the play in order to be allowed to enter the field by the center official. The substitute shall wait by the halfway line mark until the center official beckons the player to the field.
- c. When a player is bleeding, they must leave the field of play and be attended to before re-entering the field of play with the permission of the center official.

11. Scoring for U8 games:

- a. No score can be made directly into the goal from behind the center field line (halfway line) unless the player has clearly passed the halfway line. In case of occurrence, referee should award an Indirect Kick to the opposing team.
- b. Since there are no goalkeepers assigned to these games, there should be no defensive players just standing/waiting in the half circle area in front of their own goal for the purpose of defending the goal.

12. Discipline:

- a. **Players** – Any player that is red carded will be disqualified for that match and the next scheduled match. If any one player receives two (2) red cards during the TYSA tournament games, he/she will be disqualified for the remainder of the tournament. If in the opinion of the head referee and/or tournament officials a flagrant foul occurred which resulted in a Red Card, that player may be suspended for the remainder of the tournament. If a player gets three yellow cards in any number of games, they are required to sit out the next game.
 - b. **Coaches and Spectators** – Harassment of officials and players will not be tolerated. Referees may stop the game temporarily or may suspend play in the face of persistent sideline harassment or intimidation. In the case of game suspension, only the tournament officials are empowered to decide the outcome of the game.
 - c. Coaches are responsible for the behavior of the team's parents and supporters.
 - d. Coaches, players and spectators who use profane language toward referees or other tournament officials may be disqualified and be asked to leave the tournament sites. In the case of a coach being removed, the team must present an alternate coach for the remainder of the games.
13. Due to difference in field configurations, referees will determine the locations of teams and spectators.
14. Tournament officials reserve the right to expel from the tournament any coach, player, bystander, or team for gross misconduct on or off the playing field.
15. By participating in the tournament, teams agree to release the Tomah Youth Soccer Association (TYSA) and Tomah VA Medical Center from all responsibilities resulting from any and all injuries or other unexpected incidents.