



East Fishkill 2011 Memorial Day Tournament Rules

The East Fishkill Soccer Club requests that you communicate the following information and regulations to all players, coaches, parents, and other guests. Please respect these conditions so as to avoid jeopardizing our ability to host future tournaments and your team's ability to participate. This year's Memorial Day Tournament will be held on the grounds of the East Fishkill Soccer Complex and Van Wyck Jr. High School. It is essential that the town's properties, facilities and neighboring private property be respected.

PARKING:

Fire and ambulance lanes must be kept open to allow emergency vehicles access. Two coaches from each team will be permitted to park in the main parking lot. Since parking is limited on the Complex site, all others may drop their players and guests off at the designated area in front of the Soccer Complex. Additional parking on Saturday will be at John Jay High School and shuttle buses will be available all day. Sunday you can park in the paved lots across the street from the complex (do not park in these lots on Saturday, businesses are open and you will be towed).

PROPERTY DAMAGE:

Teams will be required to pay for any property damage caused by their team.

SPORTSMANSHIP:

In accordance with FIFA policy, there shall be no dissent between players and/or coaches, and the referee. Questioning a referee's call is considered dissent. Coaches are responsible for the actions of their fans, and are expected to demand their support in monitoring and enforcing this policy. A player or coach who receives a red card is automatically ejected from the tournament. A player or coach who receives two yellow cards in a game is out of the game and the following game. A player or coach who receives three yellow cards during the tournament is ejected from the entire tournament. For gross misconduct, the Tournament Director will suspend a player or a coach for the entire tournament.

PROTESTS:

NO protests shall be allowed.

AGE & ELIGIBILITY:

Maximum roster size for U12 through U19 is 18 and for U8 through U11 is 14. Teams must be affiliated with the USYA and/or USSF. Select, All Star and Premier teams will be required to play up. Team rosters, medical release forms and player passes will be required at the team sign in on the day of the tournament. A maximum of four guest players will be permitted. Players may compete for only one team in a division.

LAWS OF THE GAME:

Tournament games will be played under FIFA rules with the following exceptions:

- A. Substitutions must be at the mid-field line and after the leaving player is off the field.
- B. Substitutions may be made with the consent of the referee:
 - 1. After a goal by either team.
 - 2. Before any goal kick.
 - 3. Before any throw-in.
 - 4. After any injury, by either team, when the referee stops play.
 - 5. After a caution, the cautioned player may be substituted for.

PLAYER EQUIPMENT:

FIFA laws.

Shin guards are mandatory and must be covered by a sock. Jerseys will be tucked into the players' shorts at all times.

STARTING TIMES:

A team must be on the field with a minimum of seven dressed players at the scheduled start of play or forfeit the game. Exception is U8 through U11, which will be five players minimum.

DURATION OF PLAY:

Each game will be 50 minutes in length, (with 5 minute half time) unless otherwise directed by the Tournament Director. Teams will switch goals at halftime.

HOME TEAM/UNIFORM/GAME BALL:

The home team will be listed first on the schedule. The home team will kick off. The visiting team will choose the goal to defend. Each team will bring an alternate jersey. In case of conflict of colors, the home team will change jerseys. Each team is expected to bring a properly inflated ball that is the appropriate size. The home team will supply the game ball.

PLAYOFF GAMES:

Ties after regulation time will be decided by two (2) five (5) minute overtimes with teams changing goals and no break. A coin toss will determine the team to kickoff. If still tied, the winner will be determined by penalty kicks.

PLAYER PASSES:

Player passes will be checked at Registration and may be checked prior to any game. However, any coach has the right to challenge any player on any opposing team. The referee must be notified of the challenge prior to the completion of the game and the player and his/her pass will be examined after the game. Any team using an illegal player or one without a valid pass shall receive no points for all previous games. Their opponent(s) shall receive three (3) points for a win. The offending team's league and state association will be notified.

STANDINGS:

Each team will be awarded three (3) points for a win, two points for a tie with a score, one (1) point for a scoreless tie and zero (0) points for a loss. Teams winning a game by forfeit shall be credited with a 4-0 win. Teams will be ranked according to total points earned. In the case of ranking ties, the following criteria will be used to break the tie in the order they are listed:

- 1. Head to Head**
- 2. Goal differential** Maximum goal differential per match is four (4), e.g. if a score is 4-1, the goal differential is 3 for the winner and -3 for the loser. For a score of 7-2, the goal differential is 4 for the winner and -4 for the loser.
- 3. Fewest goals allowed**
- 4. Most wins**
- 5. Most goals scored**
- 6. Most shutouts**
- 7. Penalty kicks- 1v1**

WEATHER:

Due to circumstances or conditions beyond its control, the Tournament Committee will not be responsible for loss of any funds due to the cancellation of all, or any part, of this Tournament. Games may be rescheduled, canceled, or the Tournament format may be changed.

GENERAL:

1. Coaches are required to bring player cards and medical release forms to every game.
2. If a game is temporarily suspended due to weather, field conditions, or other situations, each team must check with tournament headquarters for further instructions.
3. The Tournament Director's interpretation of the foregoing rules and regulations shall be final.
4. The Tournament Director reserves the right to decide on all matters pertaining to the East Fishkill Memorial Day Tournament.

The East Fishkill Soccer Club Inc. and the Town of East Fishkill assume no responsibility for any injury resulting from participation in this tournament. By accepting these rules and procedures, all participating clubs and players indicated that they carry their own insurance and will hold harmless the East Fishkill Soccer Club Inc. and the Town of East Fishkill.