



## Kohl's American Cup Festival 2011 Rules

**Eligibility:** Any registered OSA recreational team in good standing may enter the tournament. A recreational team is a team where players do not try-out or the coach does not recruit or select specific players. Friendship teams will be placed in a separate division unless tournament scheduling dictates otherwise. No Academy teams will be allowed to play. Coed teams will play in the boys' division. Official stamped roster from either the country or OSA is required. No guest players allowed. Any team playing an illegal player will forfeit all games played and will be eliminated from the festival.

### Check-in and coaches/managers' meeting information

- Check-in for each team will be Friday night at the Claremore Community Center at 2301 N. Sioux from 6pm to 7:30pm. A coaches/managers meeting will begin at 7pm.
- Bring a copy of your approved club/league roster with jersey numbers.
- Coaches must have either a copy of the registration form with the medical release information on it or a separate medical release for all players.
- Coaches must have access to a copy of each player's birth certificate in case age verification is requested.
- Team packets will be given out at this meeting.

**Scheduling:** Each team will be guaranteed a four game minimum. Please do not call the OSA office regarding schedules, number of teams, etc. Schedules and scores will be posted at the site and online at the OSA website.

**Forfeiture Rule:** A forfeit will be declared if a team fails to appear within 10 minutes after the scheduled game time with minimum number of players. A team that forfeits a match will be considered to have withdrawn from the tournament and will forfeit the application fee.

**Unfinished Games:** An unfinished game due to any cause may be replayed providing neither team is at fault nor play has not begun in the second half. If play is stopped after completion of the first half, and cannot be resumed as determined by the Tournament Chairman, and provided neither team is a fault, the Tournament Committee may deem the game complete. Should play be stopped at any time due to one of the teams being judged at fault, it shall be at the discretion of the Tournament Committee as to whether the game is to be replayed, stand as is, or declared a forfeit.

**Awards:** Each player will receive Kohl's American Cup Festival medal during an awards presentation.

**Game Rules:** Rules of the US Youth Soccer (affecting game play and game participants) shall govern this tournament with the exception of the following tournament rules:

- **Length of Games:** The length of games may be adjusted to ensure a developmentally appropriate amount of minutes each day. The length of games for each age group shall be as follows:

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- Under 6 Four 10 Minute Quarters
- Under 8 Four 12 Minute Quarters
- U10 Two 25 Minute Halves

**Ball Size:** Under 6 – Under 8 Size 3, Under 10 - Size 4,

**Free Kicks:** These are US Youth Soccer Recommendations

**U6 & U8** – ALL restarts for fouls are Direct Free Kicks and opposing players **4 yards from the ball**

**U10** – Confirm with FIFA except **no offside** and opposing players **8 yards from the ball**.

**Substitutions:** May substitute players at any stoppage of play and substitutions may be unlimited.

**Send Offs:** Any player or coach sent off will be ineligible to play or coach in the next tournament or festival game. The tournament committee may render additional sanctions, as it deems necessary. All player cautions and send offs will be reviewed as noted by the referees on the game forms for proper action by the tournament committee. Any Send Off in the last game played in the tournament will carry over to League play.

**Other Rules and Guidelines:** Any situation not covered by these rules shall be decided by the tournament committee and shall be final and binding.

#### **Team Responsibilities:**

1. Be at your game ready to play at the designated time.
2. First team listed is the home team.
3. Home team will take the North or West side of the field.
4. Teams will sit on opposite sides of the field.
5. Home team is to change jersey if the referee determines a color conflict.
6. Both teams will furnish a game ball. Referee chooses.
7. All player jerseys will be numbered according to team roster.

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#### **Important Information:**

- The referee is responsible for returning completed game form to tournament committee at the registration table at that complex within 30 minutes of completion of game.
- Parking at complexes: please remember to park courteously. Be aware of no parking areas and private property (churches, homes, etc.). Parking is at your own risk. The Oklahoma Soccer Association and or the Local Soccer Clubs are not responsible or liable for stolen or damage vehicles. Speed limit at all complexes, 5 miles per hour.
- No glass containers; No alcoholic beverages and please leave your sideline clean for the next team.
- Dogs are not allowed at the complex.
- Coaches are responsible for insuring that their team and its supporters abide by the tournament rules and procedures.
- No Smoking allowed on the touchlines or coaches' technical areas.

#### **Inclement Weather**

In the event of inclement weather, the Tournament Chairman has the authority to restructure the tournament.

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