



## **SOCCER RULES**

### **Match Times**

- For all **Secondary School** matches early games begin at **8.15 am** and other games at **9.45 am**
- All 'A' matches precede 'B' matches where possible.
- If times need to be changed to fit into ground allocations – it is up to the host school to organise that and liaise with their opposition
- **Primary matches begin at 8.30 am 9.30 am and 10.30 am**

### **Referees**

- **The home team** is responsible for **supplying and paying for a competent referee.**
- Association Referees are provided for all **OPEN A Div 1 and Div 2 Games.**
- **Schools who access their own Referees for Open A must ensure they are suitably qualified.**
- **If there is a change to any times or grounds where Association referees are involved schools MUST inform the General Manager ASAP**

### **Balls**

- **Year 8 and above use size 5 balls.**
- **Home team** to supply a ball of match play standard

### **Interchange and Substitution**

- At **all levels four interchange players** may be used.
- This may be modified by agreement between coaches to allow the maximum number to play
- **Only players not in the starting eleven of a team may play in B games.**  
Any change to this may be by negotiation between coaches only.

### **Playing Times**

- **Year 5 and 6**                    **25 mins x 2**
- **Primary A and B**            **30 mins x 2**
- **Middle A B and C**        **35 mins x 2**
- **Middle D a E**                **30 mins x 2**

- Yr 10                                35 mins x 2
- Open                                    40 min x 2
- Any variation should be only by agreement between coaches and referee.

## **KNOCK OUT GAMES**

- **Determining a winner from a round robin competition**  
**Give 3 points win – 1 for a draw – 0 for a loss**  
**If equal ranking – go on goal difference**  
**If still equal go on goals for**  
**If still equal on result of the game between the two teams**  
**If still equal a REPLAY at a mutually agreed time and place**  
**This game will have to be played out for a result**  
**I If the two teams involved do not play the game by the date accepted by ISSA the next placed team will qualify**

## **Uniforms**

Where possible Open A teams to wear numbers on shirts. Consistent with Club Soccer.

## **Reported Players**

- A player who is sent from the field by the Referee for a reportable offence (red card) **CANNOT RETURN FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE GAME.** A replacement is not permitted.
- At the conclusion of the game, the Referee must complete a report card (provided by coaches) stating the reason for the report.
- This card must be forwarded to the Principal of the School of the reported player by the players Coach.

## **Medical Kit**

- The host school is responsible for supplying a medical kit or have one available.
- It is suggested that each team should carry a small first aid kit.

## **OPEN SOCCER REFEREES**

The Soccer Referees Association will provide badged Referees for **Open A** games at **\$65.00, payable by the Host School.**

**The General Manager will inform schools of availability of referees no later than the Wednesday preceding the Saturday game.**

If the Referee is available to officiate at another game – e.g. Open B or Year 10 - the fee will be \$60.00 for that game – However, it is highly unlikely that there will be any Referees available for the extra game.

**All schools should use Association Referees for Open A games – any school who is able to access their own qualified referee needs to inform the General Manager before the start of the competition..**

**All Open matches are 40 minutes each half**

**Coaches are responsible for having a report card completed by the Referee in the event of a player being sent off for a reportable offence (red card)**