

Almonte Season Opener Soccer Tournament

Men's OT35+ & Women's Open

May 18, 2019

Rules & Regulations

Tournament Organizational Rules

a) Age divisions:

Men's OT35+ & Women's Open (Recreational and lower level Competitive teams).

b) Team eligibility:

Teams that are registered with Ontario Soccer that conform to the age divisions above will be eligible to participate.

c) Player identification:

Player identification cards or books are required for all players and team officials. All players must be a registered member of the team as per the Ontario Soccer Team Roster Report or a guest player as per Tournament rules.

d) Guest players:

Up to 6 guest players are permitted for any team. A maximum of 3 guest players may come from another Club if a Temporary Eligibility Permit (TEP), validated by the team's district, is presented to tournament committee.

e) Travel permits

Out of District teams must produce a Travel Permit from their home District Association authorizing the team to attend the tournament.

f) Registration:

Registration will open 45 minutes prior to each team's first game. Teams must have completed registration check-in no later than 20 minutes prior to the team's first match. At registration, teams will need to present a copy of their Ontario Soccer Team Roster Report (TRR), as well as the TRR for in-club guest players or a TEP for all out-of-club guest players. Changes to the team's Tournament roster will not be permitted once their first match has commenced.

g) Game sheets:

Game sheets will be prepared by the tournament host. They will be provided to teams when they arrive at the Tournament for registration check-in.

h) Schedules:

Schedules will be e-mailed to team contacts no later than May 11. Every effort will be made to ensure that teams do not play games against a team from their own club.

i) Facilities:

Games will be held at the Appleton Soccer Fields at the corner of River Rd. and Appleton Side Rd.

j) Discipline:

All misconduct Reports, will be dealt with by the Discipline Chair in accordance with Ontario Soccer Published Rules. Where permitted, requests for hearing will be accepted within 15 minutes of the completion of the game, along with a cash fee of \$50.00. The fee will be refunded only where the decision is overturned. In accordance with OSA Published rules all decisions made by review are final. All Decisions made by hearing can be appealed to the Eastern Ontario District Soccer Association.

k) Protests:

All protests must be in writing and submitted to Tournament organizers, along with a cash fee of \$50.00, within 1-hour of the game to which the protest relates. Protest regarding a referee's decision will not be entertained.

The Tournament organizers will immediately convene a committee to consider such protests. The fee will be refunded only where a protest is won.

l) Withdrawal policy:

The entry fee for the Tournament is \$225, which includes a non-refundable administrative fee of \$50. Any team that, after entering, withdraws prior to the Tuesday May 7, 2019 entry deadline will be subject to the \$50 administrative fee. No fees will be refunded for withdrawal after this deadline.

m) Cancellation policy:

The rain date for the tournament is Sunday, May 19, 2019.

Should the Tournament be cancelled in whole due to unforeseen circumstances before commencing, the entry fee will be refunded to all participating teams. The refund e-transfer would be sent within two weeks of the Tournament date.

Should cancellation occur after the commencement of the Tournament, no refund will be issued. The Almonte Soccer Club, the Tournament committee, and the EODSA are not liable for any expenses such as travel costs (i.e. non-refundable plane tickets, etc.) or pre-paid accommodation costs as a result of such cancellation. The decision to cancel the Tournament rests with the Tournament Convenors.

n) Late or no show teams:

If a team is not able to field the minimum 7 players within 5 minutes of the set kick-off time, they will default the match. The non-defaulting team will be granted exclusive access to the field for the scheduled duration of the defaulted match.

Teams who do not show will forfeit their entry fee and will be reported to the E.O.D.S.A..