

Provincial Indoor Soccer League

2021-2022 Rules & Regulations

1. General

- 1.1. The Provincial Indoor Soccer League (referred to as PISL and/or the League) offers 11v11 and small-sided indoor soccer for regional play within South and Central Regions for Under -13 to Under-21 age divisions. All rules shall be played in accordance with the Laws of the Game, except as otherwise noted in these rules and regulations.
- 1.2. The league office is located at:

Ontario Soccer Centre 7601 Martin Grove Road Vaughan, ON L4L 9E4 Phone: 905-264-9404 Email: <u>pisl@sontariosoccer.net</u> Office Hours: Monday – Friday, 9:00am – 6:00pm For after-hours inquiries, please email

1.3. A copy of the current Rules & Regulations, forms, schedules and standings, and other league information shall be posted on the **PISL web page** at: <u>http://www.ontariosoccer.net/pisl</u>

The PISL also uses the following forms of social media to provide information:

 Facebook:
 https://www.facebook.com/OntarioSoccerCentre/

 Twitter:
 https://twitter.com/SoccerCentreOnt

 Instagram:
 https://www.instagram.com/ontariosoccercentre/

- 1.4. During the playing season, the League may review and modify any current Rules or Regulations or add rules and regulations not addressed within this document. Any changes shall be effective seven (7) days after initiated and such changes and their scheduled effective dates shall be communicated to teams directly by email.
- 1.5. All matters not included in these Rules and Regulations shall be dealt in accordance with ONTARIO SOCCER Policies and Operational Procedures.
- 1.6. Teams failing to comply with PISL Rules & Regulations are subject to fines and/or disciplinary action. Team and club officials shall be notified in writing of any disciplinary action and/or fines levied as per the published schedule of PISL fines. All fines resulting from breaches of rules and/or misconduct shall be assessed against the Club.
- 1.7. The League uses email as its primary method of communication. It is the responsibility of the team to keep PISL informed of any changes to the contact information for the team. When matters are time sensitive and specific to a few games, League staff will phone team contacts. If a time sensitive matter affects a specific date (ie. all teams playing on a specific date) and/or a specific facility location, information and/or updates will be posted on Social Media and followed up with emails as timing permits.
- 1.8. The League uses E2E as its league management system.

2. Code of Conduct

- 2.1. Clubs and their representatives are responsible for the conduct of their membership (team officials, players, spectators/parents, administrators, etc) and are expected to maintain conduct in accordance with ONTARIO SOCCER Policy 13.0 Code of Conduct & Ethics at and in the vicinity of any game in which their Team participates. This includes the facility where the game is played, and the facility's grounds.
- 2.2. All team officials and players, as entered on the game sheet, shall confine themselves to their designated bench or technical area.
- 2.3. No team official or player may enter the field of play at any time without the prior approval of the referee (player substitution excepted). Disciplinary action and penalties in accordance with ONTARIO SOCCER policies and procedures, and/or any applicable fines as per the published schedule of PISL fines may apply.

- 2.4. Any coach or team official who withdraws their team or any of their players from the field of play without prior approval of the referee shall be subject to disciplinary action and penalties in accordance with ONTARIO SOCCER policies and procedures, and any applicable fines as per the published schedule of PISL fines.
- 2.5. A player, coach or other team official who tries, or does impede, harass or otherwise intimidate a game official or opposing team officials, shall be subject to disciplinary action and penalties in accordance with ONTARIO SOCCER policies and procedures.
- 2.6. In the event of an altercation on the field of play, anyone from the bench entering the field of play during the alteration, for whatever reasons, shall be subject to disciplinary action and penalties in accordance with ONTARIO SOCCER policies and procedures.

3. Age Groups and Divisions

- 3.1. Subject to ONTARIO SOCCER Policies and Operational Procedures and the approved Terms of League Operations, the PISL may operate:
 - a) Male and Female Regional divisions for Central and South Regions from Under-13 to Under-18.
 - b) Male and Female Regional divisions for Central and South regions for Under-21.
- 3.2. In this document, a reference to an "age group" or "division" refers to any one of the U13, U14, U15, U16, U17, U18 and U21 age cohorts as defined under ONTARIO SOCCER Polices and Operational Procedures.

4. League Fees and Team Entry Applications

- 4.1. Team applications shall be made to PISL on a form provided by the League, accompanied with the required deposit and submitted by the application deadline date as specified in the league application package and form. Any application received without the required deposit will be considered incomplete, and the team will be waitlisted until the deposit is received. All applications are subject to availability within each age division. Late applications may be considered at the discretion of the League.
- 4.2. Teams must register in their appropriate age division. It shall be only at the discretion of the League for a team to be permitted to play up in a higher age division.
- 4.3. The League reserves the right to adjust an age division(s) based on the number and ability of teams that apply.
 - a) The League may tier an age division if a division has 12 or more teams.
 - b) The League may combine an age division with an insufficient number of teams with an age division one year older or younger. Where PISL is unable to operate a division due to an insufficient number of team entries, and combining two age divisions is not feasible, the deposit fee shall be returned to those teams in the affected age division.
- 4.4. Playing out permission is required only for teams in districts <u>outside</u> of the Central and South regions.
- 4.5. League fees must be paid in accordance with the payment schedule as specified in the league application package and form. If league fees have not been paid as per the payment schedule, teams shall not be permitted to play and shall forfeit their game(s) until the fees have been paid. Teams shall be responsible for all associated game costs and may be subject to PISL fines. Late payment charges shall apply for missed deadlines as per Schedule 1 League Fees.
- 4.6. Teams withdrawing after the application deadline date and before the first league season game, shall forfeit the deposit.
- 4.7. Teams withdrawing after the start of the League playing season, shall forfeit all league fees and be subject to any applicable fines as per Schedule 3 League Fines.
- 4.8. Any team whose cheque is returned by the bank shall be charged an administrative fee of \$50 and be required to make the new payment by bank certified cheque/draft.

5. League Season & Game Schedules

- 5.1. Game days shall be Saturday and/or Sunday.
- 5.2. Under-13 to Under-18 Divisions
 - a) The 11v 11 League shall consist of a 12-game season
 - b) The small sided League shall consist of an 18-game season
- 5.3. Under-21 Division
 - a) The League shall consist of a 12-game season with a bi-weekly schedule.
- 5.4. The League reserves the right to schedule games on other days/times when circumstances require as such.
- 5.5. All games shall be played as scheduled unless:
 - a) At the discretion of the referee, a postponement is necessary due to unplayable conditions (eg. unplayable field conditions, power failure, etc). *Reference Rule #12.8*.
 - b) Any team entered in the Ontario Indoor or Futsal Cup has a cup game(s) conflicting with a league game(s), providing the team has notified the League no later than fourteen (14) days' prior to the conflict(s). NOTE: It is not the responsibility of PISL to identify teams participating in Ontario Indoor or Futsal Cup and any potential conflicts. Failure to notify PISL within the required time will result in no rescheduling of the league game and the team forfeiting its game.
 - c) At the discretion of the League, a game may be subject to postponement.
 - d) If, due to matters out of the league's control, PISL must cancel a series of games, PISL will make every effort to reschedule.

Due to the complex scheduling of games and limited indoor field availability, requests for rescheduling games for any other reason other than those listed in PISL Rule #5.4 shall not be considered.

- 5.6. Game schedules shall be posted on the PISL webpage one week prior to the season kickoff.
 - a) It is the responsibility of the team official(s) to check the schedule on a regular basis to ensure there have been no changes to the team schedule (i.e. date, time and/or location).
 - b) In the event a change must be made to a scheduled game less than 7 days prior to such game, the league shall advise the teams directly.
 - c) If weather conditions make transportation to games unsafe, and the league decides to cancel games, the cancellation notice will be posted on the PISL webpage, Facebook and Twitter. Teams are advised to check before leaving for a game. Teams are encouraged to have a form of communication tree (e.g. Phone or text) in place for expediting information on short notice to all team members.

6. Registration of Players

- 6.1. All Players shall be registered with their Club's respective District Association in accordance with ONTARIO SOCCER Policies and Operational Procedures.
- 6.2. A player shall only be eligible to play for one club in the PISL, and for only one team per age division within that club.
- 6.3. All players shall be in possession of, and make available, if requested, a valid ONTARIO SOCCER Registration Identification. Such Registration Identification shall be either:
 - a) An ONTARIO SOCCER Registration Book, or
 - b) An ONTARIO SOCCER Identification Card, accompanied by a valid ONTARIO SOCCER Team Roster Report
- 6.4. If the Registration Book or Identification Card (with valid Team Roster Report) cannot be made available, the player is not eligible to participate in the game.
- 6.5. A player may transfer to another team provided the transfer takes place **<u>prior</u> to February 1** and in accordance with ONTARIO SOCCER Policies and Operational Procedures.

7. Team Officials

- 7.1. In accordance with ONTARIO SOCCER Policies and Operational Procedures, all coaches and assistant coaches are required to have completed:
 - a) Respect in Soccer certification; and
 - b) Making Head Way in Soccer, and (April 2017)
 - one of the following:
 - i. Senior Level of the Community Coaching Program (giving him/her full certification as a Community Coach) which was discontinued December 31, 2011, or
 - ii. After December 31, 2011, the Soccer for Life course plus MED (Making Ethical Decisions).
- 7.2. All coaches and other Team Officials shall be registered with their Club's respective District Associations in accordance with ONTARIO SOCCER Policies and Operational Procedures.
- 7.3. A maximum of four (4) team officials shall be permitted to be registered to a team and to sit on the bench.
- 7.4. All team officials shall be in possession of, and make available, if requested, a valid ONTARIO SOCCER Registration Identification. Such Registration Identification shall be either:
 - c) An ONTARIO SOCCER Registration Book, or
 - d) An ONTARIO SOCCER Identification Card, accompanied by a valid ONTARIO SOCCER Team Roster Report

8. Team Roster and Verification

- 8.1. As per ONTARIO SOCCER Polices and Operational Procedures
 - a) For 11v11 league play, Under-13 to Under-18 teams must have a minimum of 11 players registered to the team, with a maximum of twenty (20) players and four (4) team officials registered at any one time.
 - b) For small sided league play, Under-13 to Under-18 teams must have a minimum of 7 players registered to the teams, with a maximum of eighteen (18) players and four (4) team officials registered at any one time.
 - c) Under-21 teams must have a minimum of 11 players registered to the team, with a maximum of twenty-five (25) players and four (4) officials registered at any one time.
- 8.2. Each team must submit an ONTARIO SOCCER Team Roster Report to the league office no later than 24 hours before its first game.
- 8.3. Any change in players and/or team officials on the team roster must be reported to PISL by submitting a revised ONTARIO SOCCER Team Roster report to the league a minimum of 24 hours prior to the game in which the new player(s) and/or team officials(s) will participate.
- 8.4. The team roster freeze deadline shall be **January 31**. Any player added to the team roster after January 31 shall not be eligible to play in any PISL competition for that team.
- 8.5. All players and team officials must be in possession of a valid ONTARIO SOCCER Registration Identification to be eligible to participate in a game. *Reference Rules #6.3, 7.4.* NOTE: When ONTARIO SOCCER Identification Cards are used, they must be accompanied with a valid Team Roster Report at all times.
- 8.6. A team official from the opposing team may request to examine the ONTARIO SOCCER Registration ldentification of the players and team officials prior to the scheduled start of the game and must not cause a delay of the kickoff. Upon checking the Registration Identification, the team official of the opposing team is required to initial the box, "Books checked", on all copies of the opposing team's game sheets.
 - a) Any player whose name does not appear on the game sheet or who does not have a valid ONTARIO SOCCER Registration Identification is ineligible to play in the game.
 - b) Any team official whose name does not appear on the game sheet or who does not have a valid ONTARIO SOCCER Registration Identification is ineligible to be on the game sheet and on the bench.

- c) A team official from the opposing team may request to examine the ONTARIO SOCCER Registration Identification of any player who arrives after the start of the game.
- d) The referee will note all questions regarding a player's eligibility or the validity of a player's ONTARIO SOCCER Registration Identification on the game sheet and the player concerned must sign and enter his/her date of birth on the game sheet.
- 8.7. No protest regarding the eligibility of a player(s) and/or team official(s) shall be considered if the ONTARIO SOCCER Registration Identification was not checked.

9. Call-ups, Temporary Eligibility Permits and Trial Permits

- 9.1. Call-ups:
 - a) A U13-U18 team may call up a maximum of three (3) players from a lower-level team within the same club for a league game in accordance with ONTARIO SOCCER Operational Procedures (<u>Competitions</u> <u>Procedure 21.1.3.a, 21.2 21.5</u>).
 - b) A U21 team may call up a maximum of five (5) players from a lower-level team within the same club for a league game in accordance with ONTARIO SOCCER Operational Procedures.
 - c) A player may not be called up to another team which is in the same division as the team to which the player is registered.
 - d) A player who is called up to a team must not be currently suspended by any other league or governing organization affiliated with ONTARIO SOCCER
 - e) Any player being called up must possess and make available, if requested, a valid ONTARIO SOCCER Registration Identification to be eligible to play.
 - f) Subject to all other conditions in Section 9.1, any player may be called up an unlimited number of times during the season.
- 9.2. Temporary Eligibility Permits (TEP)
 - a) Temporary Eligibility permits are not permitted.
- 9.3. Short Term Registration Permits (reference ONTARIO SOCCER Registration Procedure 8.0)
 - a) A player in possession of an ONTARIO SOCCER issued Short Term Registration Permit is eligible to play in a PISL league game up to, and including January 31.
 - b) An ONTARIO SOCCER issued Short Term Registration Permit entitles a non-registered player to play three (3) games for a registered team during a thirty day period.
 - c) In addition to the Short Term Registration Permit, the player must possess and make available, if requested, a valid ONTARIO SOCCER Registration Identification to be eligible to play under a Short Registration Permit.
 - d) A player may only be issued one trial permit to play for any one Club.
 - e) A player may obtain two short term registration permits during one playing season. The short term registration periods shall not overlap.

10. Player Eligibility

- 10.1. Where it comes to the attention of PISL, through any means, that one or more unregistered or ineligible player(s), or a player(s) registered to a team after the January 31 roster freeze, have allegedly participated in a game, the League will investigate and take appropriate disciplinary action.
- 10.2. Any team found to have played an ineligible player or a player registered to a team after the January 31 roster freeze, shall forfeit all the games in which such player participated and the game points shall be awarded to the opposing team(s). If both teams participating in a game fail to comply with this rule, no points shall be awarded to either team and each team will have one (1) loss added to its record.
- 10.3. Any team found to have played an ineligible player or player registered to a team after the roster freeze, will be subject to a disciplinary hearing. If found guilty, the team official(s) and club will be assessed penalties in accordance with ONTARIO SOCCER <u>Discipline Procedure 9.0</u> and, if applicable, PISL Schedule 3 League Fines.
- 10.4. An ineligible player, as per ONTARIO SOCCER Discipline Procedure 9.12.2, is defined as follows:

- a) Playing while under suspension,
- b) Playing without an international transfer,
- c) Playing without having been re-instated from Professional to amateur,
- d) Playing while not being properly registered,
- e) Playing while not being registered to that team unless on a valid trial permit,
- f) Playing in an age specific competition without the eligible age classification,
- g) Playing up or playing as a guest player when ineligible to do so,
- h) Playing after failing to produce ONTARIO SOCCER Registrant Book or ONTARIO SOCCER approved Identification Card when requested to do so.

11. Equipment

- 11.1. Teams must provide each player with identical jerseys with differing numbers on the back of the jerseys which are to be worn at every game. If the referee decides that the team colours conflict, the home team, as designated in the game schedule, is required to change to an alternate jersey.
- 11.2. The goalkeeper's jersey colour must be different from that of either team.
- 11.3. The home team shall be responsible for providing the game balls.

12. League Games & Game Rules

- 12.1. Each game shall consist of two (2) equal halves of 25 minutes each plus a 3 minute halftime interval.
- 12.2. If the ball should come in contact with outside interference and drop, or change direction, such as but not limited to the ceiling, ceiling mounted fixture or curtain divider, a drop ball shall be awarded from the spot on the field directly below the point of initial contact, unless play was stopped inside the goal area. In this case the ball is dropped on the goal area line which is parallel to the goal line at the point nearest to where the ball was when play was stopped.
- 12.3. Unlimited substitutions are permitted at any time and may be made on the fly. Substitutions do not require a stoppage in play. All substitutions must take place within one metre of the half way line on the side of the field where the substituting player's bench is located.
- 12.4. The referee shall start the game at the scheduled kick-off time. In the event of a delay in the scheduled kick-off time, the referee may shorten each half to not less than 20 minutes per half. The referee shall be the sole judge of the amount of time played, and his/her decision on this matter shall not be subject to appeal or protest.
- 12.5. Any team that fails to field the minimum seven (7) players at the scheduled kick-off time shall be deemed to have failed to appear for a scheduled game and the team shall forfeit the game to the opposing team with a score of 3-0. The team shall also be subject to any applicable fines, as per Schedule 3 League Fines
 - a) In the event a team is unable to field the minimum seven (7) players for a scheduled game and notifies the League no later than 72 hours prior to the scheduled game, the team shall forfeit that game to the opposing team with a score of 3-0 but will not be subject to any fine.
- 12.6. Any team that fails to present itself at the game field by the scheduled kick-off time shall be deemed to have failed to appear for that game and the team shall forfeit the game to the opposing team with a score of 3-0. The team shall be subject to any applicable fines, as per Schedule 3 League fines.
 - a) If both teams fail to appear for a scheduled game, there shall be no points and no score for the game but each team will have one (1) loss added to its record. Both teams shall be subject to any applicable fines, as per Schedule 3 – League Fines.
- 12.7. In the event a team has its compliment of players reduced to less than seven (7) players during a game for whatever reason, the team shall forfeit the game.
- 12.8. If, in the opinion of the referee, a game should be abandoned due to extenuating circumstances (eg. unplayable field conditions, power failure), before the completion of ³/₄ of the total regular playing time as specified in Rule #12.1, the game shall be rescheduled. Games abandoned in the last quarter of the regular playing time shall be deemed as compete and the actual score at that time shall stand.

- 12.9. If a game is abandoned by the referee due to the actions of players, officials or spectators/supporters of a team, or the referee is concerned for the safety of all persons in the facility by continuing the game, the League shall decide, by review of the circumstances, the result of the game, which may include rescheduling the game or calling a forfeit. The players and the team officials will be subject to disciplinary action and penalties assessed in accordance with ONTARIO SOCCER Discipline policies and procedures and any applicable fines as per Schedule 3 League fines.
- 12.10. In the event weather conditions make for hazardous travel and/or cause a facility, or all facilities, to close, only the league shall cancel and reschedules games. All affected teams shall be notified and information will be posted on the PISL webpage, Facebook page and Twitter.

13. Game Sheets

- 13.1. Gams sheets must be prepared in triplicate (3 copies) and presented to the referee prior to the start of the game.
- 13.2. All players and team officials participating in a game must be identified on the official game sheet. All team officials present at the game (on the bench) must sign the team's game sheet.
- 13.3. Only eighteen (18) players and four (4) team officials may be listed (dressed and/or on the bench) on the game sheet and are eligible to play in any game. Any player and/or Team Official serving a suspension must not appear on the game sheet and is not permitted to sit on the bench.
- 13.4. Players who are being called up, or playing with a Short Term Registration Permit, must be identified on the game sheet in the column labelled "Call-up".
- 13.5. The names of players and Team Officials not present at the game must be either omitted from, or crossed out on, the game sheet. All players, including call-ups, and Team Officials whose names appear on the game sheet that are not crossed out, shall be deemed to have played or participated in the game.
- 13.6. The team official's signature shall certify the eligibility of all players and officials whose names appear on the game sheet, to participate in that game.
- 13.7. Incomplete game sheets and/or those with irregularities are subject to fines for game sheet irregularity as per Schedule 3 League Fines.

14. League Standings & Championship Games

- 14.1. In all League games, three (3) points shall be awarded for a win and one (1) point for a tie. No points shall be awarded for a loss.
- 14.2. A Team that forfeits or defaults a game shall lose the game by a score of 3-0.
- 14.3. For under-13 to Under-18 divisions, the Team with the most points, in each Division, at the end of the regular League schedule shall be the team that places first and shall be declared the League Winner for that Division.
- 14.4. If two or more teams in an age group are tied in points at the end of the League schedule, then the tiebreaker to determine the team standings shall be determined in the following order:
 - a) The team with the most points in the head-to-head games played between the tied teams shall be declared the winner of the tie-breaker;
 - b) The team with the most wins in all regular season games shall be declared the winner of the tie-breaker;
 - c) The team with the highest Goal Differential (Goals For minus Goals Against) shall be declared the winner of the tie-breaker;
 - d) The team with the least Goals Against in all regular season games shall be declared the winner of the tie-breaker;
 - e) The team with the most Goals For in all regular season games shall be declared the winner of the tie-breaker;
 - f) Coin Toss in the presence of representatives of each team.

14.5. In cases where the process above has decided the winner of a tie between three or more teams, then the process shall be repeated to break the tie between the remaining teams. As an example, if three teams are tied for first place, the process above shall determine the champion, and then the process above shall be repeated to determine which of the remaining two teams receives the second place position.

15. Promotion and Relegation

15.1. There is no promotion and relegation for the Provincial Indoor Soccer League.

16. Referees

16.1. Referees and assistant referees shall be assigned to all league games.

- 16.2. Referee fees for all league games shall be determined by the league.
- 16.3. At each game, a team official from each team must provide three (3) completed game sheets to the referee along with the correct officiating fees as per the schedule of league fees prior to the commencement of the game. Only fees for those referees present shall be paid.
 - a) In the event that a team fails to show up and no game is played, the game official fees shall be paid by PISL upon receiving the game sheet and special incident report from the referee.
 - b) Should PISL cancel a game with less than 3 hours' notice, the referees shall be paid 100% of the officiating fees by PISL.
 - c) Notwithstanding Rule 16.3.b, should PISL be required to cancel a game(s) due to circumstances beyond its control (e.g. inclement weather, facility closure, etc), referees shall be paid 50% of the officiating fees if less than 3 hours' notice has been provided.
- 16.4. Referees shall wear proper attire as per ONTARIO SOCCER published procedures.
- 16.5. All game officials must print and sign their names on the game sheet.
- 16.6. The referee is responsible for reporting all game infractions and misconduct that may have occurred during the game, and submitting the completed game sheets and all applicable game reports on Refcentre.
- 16.7. A referee shall not officiate more than 3 games on a given day unless granted an exception by a league official.

17. Protests

17.1. Any protest shall be submitted in writing, accompanied by the applicable protest fee and received by the League office within 72 hours from the date of the game in which the protest has arisen. Protests should be addressed to:

Provincial Indoor Soccer League Attn: PISL Discipline Committee c/o Ontario Soccer Centre 7601 Martin Grove Road Vaughan, ON L4L 9E4

- 17.2. The written submission of a protest shall include the following"
 - Name of protesting team
 - Date of game, location, time and game number
 - Age division
 - Name of opposing team
 - Rule(s) which were violated
 - Any additional information to support the protest

- 17.3. Where a game is played under protest, such fact must be noted on the game sheet and a formal protest must then be lodged as stipulated in this section.
- 17.4. Correctly submitted protests within the specified deadlines shall be heard by the Discipline Committee. Protests which do not meet the requirements of Rules #17.2 – 17.3 shall be declared out of order and not heard.
- 17.5. Protest fees shall be refunded only if the protest is upheld.
- 17.6. No protest pertaining to the decision of a game official shall be entertained.
- 17.7. No protest pertaining to the eligibility of a player(s) and/or team official(s) shall be considered when player/team official books were not checked.

18. Discipline

18.1. Discipline shall be conducted in accordance with ONTARIO SOCCER policies.

- 18.2. Discipline by Review shall be held every Wednesday.
 - a) Except in cases of ONTARIO SOCCER Misconduct Type 1.3, 1.5 and 1.6, an individual who is subject to the Discipline By Review system (DBR) shall have the right to request a discipline hearing. If the accused person does not request a hearing by 5pm on the Tuesday immediately following the dismissal, the case will be dealt with by DBR and, if the accused person is found guilty, the applicable penalties and/or fines, established by ONTARIO SOCCER for the offence for which he/she has been charged, shall apply.
 - b) Except where a decision has been made that is in contravention of, or not in accordance with a published rule, discipline decisions made under the DBR System may not be appealed.
- 18.3. Any request for a hearing shall be submitted by in writing and accompanied with a Hearing Fee of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00) in the form of cheque or money order payable to The Soccer Centre. The request for hearing may be delivered to the PISL office by registered mail, courier service or hand delivered no later than 5pm of the Tuesday immediately following the game. The hearing fee shall be reimbursed only if the Discipline Panel finds the accused person not guilty. An accused person who has requested a hearing and fails to appear for the hearing shall forfeit the hearing fee.
- 18.4. Failure by the Referee to provide the game sheets and/or disciplinary reports to the league office within stipulated time frame does not make the game sheet or any disciplinary reports null and void. The league will process discipline once received and reviewed.
- 18.5. In the case of alleged referee assault, discipline shall be handled by the District Association in which the player or team official is registered on behalf of the ONTARIO SOCCER's Discipline Hearing Panel. The accused is automatically suspended from all soccer related activity, as per OSA policies and procedures, until the case has been disposed of.
- 18.6. Where ONTARIO SOCCER policies and procedures provide for Discipline by Hearing (DBH), and where PISL has been delegated the authority to handle all discipline pertaining to league activities, except where the offence was directed at a game official, the PISL shall appoint a Discipline Hearing Panel to hold a hearing and deal with the alleged infractions.
- 18.7. Any party required to attend a hearing may request one (1) postponement of a hearing. The party must submit a written request which must be received by the PISL no later than four days prior to the date of that hearing, stating the reason for requesting the postponement. All such requests must be accompanied by the correct fee. Should the request be denied, the fee shall be refunded. The PISL shall have full discretion to refund the "Request For Postponement Fee" if sufficient reason warrants such action.
- 18.8. The accused is required to present his/her ONTARIO SOCCER Registrant book (or ONTARIO SOCCER Identification Card) at all disciplinary hearings.

- 18.9. Clubs shall ensure that accused players and team/club officials appear for their Discipline Hearing.
 - a) Failure of an accused player or team official to appear at a Discipline Hearing will result in the immediate suspension of the accused from all soccer related activities, and fines shall be imposed as per the published schedule of PISL fines. The suspension will continue to be in effect until the accused requests and attends a new hearing.
- 18.10. All youth players attending a Discipline Hearing must be accompanied by an adult who shall act as an advisor, failing which the hearing will not proceed and the player shall be suspended until the hearing is held.
- 18.11. Suspensions for the indoor season shall be for specific game(s) or time based suspension as per ONTARIO SOCCER discipline procedures. Where applicable, unserved suspensions shall carry over to the following indoor season.
 - a) Where game suspensions have been assessed, the suspension(s) shall be served as specified in the Notice of Discipline Decision. The league does not recognize and/or acknowledge self-imposed suspensions (e.g. Player receives a red card in a game and sits out the next game before receiving the Notice of Discipline Decision for the red card).
 - b) It is the responsibility of the Team Official to ensure that no suspended player or Team Official from the team appear on the game sheet and/or play/participate in any game for which he/she has been suspended. The name of the suspended individual must be crossed off.
 - c) When a player/team official is suspended for a game(s), and the game is cancelled, or not played, the suspension will carry over to the next scheduled game(s);
 - d) If a game is started, then abandoned, based on a decision of the referee, the suspension will be deemed to have been served.
- 18.12. Clubs are responsible for paying all fees and fines. Payments must be made by cheque or money order payable to The Soccer Centre and must be paid within 21 days of receiving notification. Payments not received within 21 days shall be subject to a late fee as per Schedule 1 League Fees.
- 18.13. Complete details on ONTARIO SOCCER Operational Procedure 12.0 Discipline are available on ONTARIO SOCCER's website at:

http://www.ontariosoccer.net/governing-documents-discipline

19. Appeals

19.1. Appeals of PISL decisions shall be submitted to ONTARIO SOCCER's Discipline & Appeals Committee via <u>appealcasemanager@ontariosoccer.net</u> within 14 days of receiving the decision and the Rights to Appeal Information. Appeals are processed in accordance with ONTARIO SOCCER's <u>Operational Procedure 13.0</u> <u>– Appeals</u>.

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Code	Description	Amount					
Unless o	Unless otherwise specified, all fees are payable to <u>The Soccer Centre</u> by VISA, MasterCard or team cheque						
1.1	Team League Fee (payable by team cheque, VISA or MasterCard)						
	11v11 Team Registration	\$4,150.00 Deposit - \$1,000 with application Balance - \$3,150 due before season kickoff					
	Small-sided Team Registration	\$2,550.00 Deposit - \$1,000 with application Balance - \$2,550 due before season kickoff					
1.2	Administrative fee for late payment of fees and fines	\$50 – 1 st missed deadline \$75 – for each subsequent notification of missed deadline					
1.3	Referee fee	11 v11 - \$50.00 per team per game					
	(payable to the referee in cash at each game)	Small sided - \$15 per team per game					
1.4	Request for Discipline by Hearing Fee	\$250.00					
1.5	Request for Hearing Fee when Accused is: "Suspended until he/she Requests a Hearing"	\$250.00					
1.6	Request for a Postponement of a Discipline Hearing Fee	\$250.00					
1.7	Protest fee	\$200.00					
1.8	Administrative fee for NSF payment	\$ 50.00					
1.9	Appeal fee (payable to ONTARIO SOCCER)	\$750.00					

Schedule 2 - Referee Fees

Total Fees per Game	Assistant Referee	Referee	Age Group
\$100	\$30	\$40	11v11
\$30	\$0	\$30	Small Sided
	\$0	\$30	Small Sided

• At each game a team official from each team is require to provide the referee with the required amount in cash prior to the commencement of the game. Only fees for those game officials present shall be paid.

• In the event that a team fails to show up and no game is played, the game official fees shall be paid by PISL upon receiving the game sheet and special incident report from the referee.

• Should PISL be required to cancel a game(s) due to circumstances beyond its control (e.g. inclement weather, facility closure, etc), referees shall be paid 50% of the officiating fees if less than 3 hours' notice has been provided.

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Schedule 3 - League Fines

Code	Description	1 st Offence	2 nd and Subsequent Offences		
•	Clubs are responsible for paying all fees and fines which must be paid within 21 days of receiving notification				
•	Unless otherwise specified, all fees are payable to <u>The Soccer Centre</u> by VISA, MasterCard or club cheque				
3.1	Team withdrawal from league after start of the league playing season	\$500.00 plus forfeit of league fees	N/A		
3.2	Game Sheet irregularity	\$100	\$150		
3.3	Failure to field the required number of players at scheduled kick-off time of game	\$750 plus 100% of referee game fees	\$1250 plus 100% of referee game fees		
3.4	Failure to appear at scheduled game	\$750 plus 100% of referee game fees	\$1250 plus 100% of referee game fees		
3.5	Inappropriate behavior by Team Officials or Players in violation of Ontario Soccer Code of Conduct	\$250	\$400		
3.6	Played a player in a PISL competition who was registered to the team after the January 31 roster freeze	\$200 plus forfeit of game(s) in which player was played	\$400 plus forfeit of game(s) in which player was played		

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Discipline by Review & Hearing Procedures

Discipline by Review (DBR)

Discipline by Review shall be held on the Wednesday following the previous week's games.

Decisions shall be forwarded, in writing, to all affected parties within four (4) days of the review.

Except where a decision has been made that is in contravention of or not in accordance with a published rule, discipline decisions made under the DBR System may not be appealed.

Except in cases of Ontario Soccer Misconduct Type 1.3, 1.5 and 1.6, an individual who is subject to the DBR System shall have the right to request to be disciplined by the DBH System and must submit their request for a discipline hearing no later than 5pm on the Tuesday immediately following the misconduct/dismissal.

Discipline by Hearing (DBH)

Discipline by Hearing shall be held in accordance with Ontario Soccer Discipline Procedures.

Complete details on ONTARIO SOCCER Policies and Procedures for Discipline (Section 12) are available on ONTARIO SOCCER's website at: http://www.ontariosoccer.net/governing-documents-discipline