

# 2017 OHIO INDOOR TRAVEL CUP

## TOURNAMENT RULES

### **ROSTERS:**

Maximum roster size is as follows:

U9 to U10 / 2009-2008 - 12 players

U11 to U12 / 2007-2006 – 14 players

U13 to U15 / 2005-2003 – 16 players

All participating players must be listed on the Tournament Liability Waiver, accompanied by a parent signature.

All participating players must provide proof of proper age placement by providing either player passes from their league of play OR a birth certificate.

A player cannot play on more than one team during the course of the tournament. Any team(s) found to have a player participating for more than one team during the tournament will forfeit all games that the player played in.

### **BRACKETING:**

Teams are bracketed based on information provided on the registration form and by record information located on league or indoor facility websites.

### **GAMES:**

U9 to U12 (2009-2006) plays 6 players plus a goalie

U13 to U15 (2005-2003) plays 5 players plus a goalie

Each participating team will play a minimum of three games.

Ties will stand in the preliminary rounds. If the score of a championship game is tied, there will be a five (5) minute 3 v 3 sudden victory round of play. If the score is still tied after the sudden victory round of play, a three (3) person shootout will commence. All eligible players on a team are permitted to participate in the shootout.

### **LENGTH OF GAMES:**

All preliminary games consist of one (1) 27 minute period with a running clock. All finals will consist of two (2) 27 minute halves. All teams must be ready to start on time. No warm up time is allowed on the field.

### **UNIFORMS:**

All players shall wear similar jerseys (goalies excluded). All uniforms shall be numbered. In case of conflicting colors, the home team must change jerseys. The first team listed is the home team.

### **FOULS AND MISCONDUCT:**

The referee is responsible for calling all fouls. If in the opinion of the referee, the foul is of such a nature as to warrant additional punishment other than a free kick, a two (2) minute blue card can be issued, as well as a shootout.

Boarding is an automatic blue card, with a shootout.

Any player who receives a two (2) minute penalty will proceed immediately to their team's bench to serve their punishment. If the opposing team scores during the shootout or scores a goal during the penalty time, the player is able to re-enter the game.

Dissent to the referee during the issuance of any card will elevate the card one (1) level (blue goes to yellow and yellow goes to red). Also, additional time may be added to the penalty. All players and coaches are expected to cooperate with the referees and play within the spirit of the game.

### **VIOLENT CONDUCT/SERIOUS FOUL PLAY:**

Any player or team official can and will be ejected from a game for **violent** conduct such as striking, fighting, assaulting an official or verbal abuse of an official. That player or team official shall be suspended for the remainder of the tournament and may be subject to punishment deemed appropriate by the league in which the team plays. Any player or team official ejected from a game for a straight red card must leave the soccer area and proceed to the lobby. That player or team official shall serve a suspension of the next game.

### **THREE LINE VIOLATION:**

The three line violation is in effect during the tournament.

### **GOALKEEPER POSSESSIONS:**

Indoor rules apply to goalkeeper possessions.

### **RESTARTS AND SUBSTITUTIONS:**

Restarts must be taken within five (5) seconds of being instructed to do so, either by whistle or verbal command.

All substitutions will occur on the fly, except for after goals and injuries.

Opponents must allow the required ten (10) feet from all restarts. Intentional encroachment is a two (2) minute blue card penalty (**not a shootout**).

Please enter and exit the field through the doors. Do not jump over the boards.

### **SLIDE TACKLING:**

No slide tackling is permitted at any age.

**BALL OVER THE PERIMETER WALL:**

When the entire ball passes over the perimeter wall along the touchline it is considered out of play and shall be kicked in from the point where the ball went out of play.

**BALL HITTING CEILING NETTING:**

If a ball hits the ceiling netting it is considered to be in play.

**HEADING:**

Heading is not permitted for U9-U11 / 2009-2007. If in the referee's opinion a player intentionally heads the ball, the result shall be an indirect free kick to the opponent at the spot of the infraction. If the header is in the box, it will result in an indirect free kick just outside the box.

**FORFEITS:**

There is a two (2) minute grace period for a team to field enough players (full complement minus 2). If a team does not have enough players to field a team after the grace period expires, the team without enough players will forfeit (4-0).

**DIVISION CHAMPIONSHIP:**

Teams will be awarded three (3) points for a win, one (1) point for a tie and zero (0) points for a loss. Round robin winners will be determined as follows, however if multiple teams, placement does not reseed:

1. Most points
2. Head to head (This does not apply if three (3) teams are tied)
3. Best goal differential (Four (4) per game maximum)
4. Least goals allowed (Six (6) per game maximum)
5. Sudden death shootout

**AWARDS:**

All champions and finalists will receive awards.

**PROTESTS:**

Protests will not be acknowledged. Questions regarding a player's eligibility must be brought to the attention of the tournament director prior to the conclusion of the game in question.

**CONCUSSION LEGISLATION**

To protect youth athletes, the State of Ohio has passed a concussion law, known as the "Return to Play" law. This law, similar to laws enacted in other states, enforces training, safety and awareness requirements related to head injuries on youth sports organizations.

**REQUIREMENTS OF THE "RETURN TO PLAY" LAW**

Ohio Revised Code Section 3707.511 requires that each youth sport organization provide the concussion and head information sheet, as stated in Ohio Revised Code Section 3707.52, to each parent, guardian

or other person having care or charge of an individual participating in the athletic activity. The required information sheet is attached to this document.

Ohio Revised Code Section 3707.511 also requires that all youth sport organizations inform all coaches and potential coaches of the following information:

No individual shall act as a coach or referee for a youth sports organization unless the individual holds a pupil-activity program permit issued under Ohio Revised Code Section 3319.303 for coaching interscholastic athletics or presents evidence that the individual has successfully completed, within the previous three years, a training program in recognizing the symptoms of concussions and head injuries to which the department of health has provided a link on its internet web site under Ohio Revised Code Section 3707.52.

#### FREE ONLINE COURSES

In an effort to assist in complying with the Return to Play law, the 2018 Ohio Indoor Travel Cup recommends that all teams entering into the 2018 Ohio Indoor Travel Cup encourage their coaches to use the National Federation of State High School Associations' (NFHS) free online training course. The website allows teams to track their coaches' progress and allows coaches to log in and print their certification.

To participate in this free online course please visit the following website:

<https://nfhslearn.com/courses/61064/concussion-in-sports>

#### 2018 OHIO INDOOR TRAVEL CUP REQUIREMENTS

The 2018 Ohio Indoor Travel Cup requires compliance with the Return to Play law. To monitor compliance, we require that each team entering into the 2018 Ohio Indoor Travel Cup provide the following at the time of team check in:

Copies of valid concussion certifications for all coaches who will be on the sidelines for tournament games; OR in the alternative, a signed copy of the attached form 1, executed by the head coach/manager of each team, attesting that they possess an up to date copy of a valid concussion certificate for each coach that will be on the sidelines at any 2018 Ohio Indoor Travel Cup game.

In the event that this requirement is not fulfilled by a tournament team at the time of check in, the 2018 Ohio Indoor Travel Cup has the right to remove that team from 2018 Ohio Indoor Travel Cup. No refunds will be provided for a team that fails to comply with the requirements as stated above.

#### **CARDIAC ARREST LEGISLATION**

To protect youth athletes, the State of Ohio has passed a cardiac arrest awareness law, known as "Lindsay's Law". This law, similar to laws enacted in other states, enforces training, safety and awareness requirements related to cardiac arrest on youth sports organizations.

#### REQUIREMENTS OF "LINDSAY'S LAW"

Ohio Revised Code Section 3707.58 prohibits youth athletes from participating in an athletic activity organized by a youth sports organization until the youth athlete has submitted to a designated official of the youth sports organization a form signed by the youth athlete and the parent, guardian, or other

person having care or charge of the youth athlete stating that the youth athlete and the parent, guardian, or other person having care or charge of the youth athlete have received and reviewed a copy of the information developed by the departments of health and education and posted on their respective internet web sites as required by Section 3707.59 of the Ohio Revised Code. A completed form is required to be submitted each year for each athletic activity in which the youth athlete participates. The required form is attached to this document.

Ohio Revised Code Section 3707.58 prohibits individuals from coaching an athletic activity organized by a youth sports organization until the individual has completed, on an annual basis, the sudden cardiac arrest training course approved by the department of health under division (C) of Section 3707.59 of the Ohio Revised Code.

#### FREE ONLINE COURSES

In an effort to assist in complying with Ohio's Lindsay's Law, the 2018 Ohio Indoor Travel Cup recommends that all teams entering into the 2018 Ohio Indoor Travel Cup encourage their coaches to use the Ohio Department of Health's free online training course.

To participate in this free online course please visit the following website:

<http://www.odh.ohio.gov/landing/Lindsays-Law.aspx>

#### 2018 OHIO INDOOR TRAVEL CUP REQUIREMENTS

The 2018 Ohio Indoor Travel Cup requires compliance with Lindsay's Law. To monitor compliance, we require that each team participating in the 2018 Ohio Indoor Travel Cup provide the following at check in:

1. A signed copy of the attached form 1, executed by the head coach or manager of each team, attesting that each coach that will be on the sidelines at any 2018 Ohio Indoor Travel Cup game has reviewed the training materials provided by the Ohio Department of Health related to cardiac arrest;
2. A signed copy of the attached form 2, executed by the head coach or manager of each team, who also serves as the designated 2018 Ohio Indoor Travel Cup Official, stating that they possess a signed copy of the attached cardiac arrest form signed by each individual and their parent, guardian, or other person having care or charge of the youth athlete that plans to play in any 2018 Ohio Indoor Travel Cup game.

#### **TEAM CHECK IN:**

All coaches must check their teams in at least 30 minutes prior to the start of the first game. At that time, the coach or manager must present the signed Tournament Liability Waiver Form, proof of each players' age; proof that all participating coaches have valid concussion certifications, proof that all participating coaches have complied with Lindsay's Law requirements and proof that all parents and players have complied with Lindsay's Law requirements. Please see above for information about these requirements. All required forms are available by going to [www.ohtsl.com](http://www.ohtsl.com), clicking on TOURNAMENTS and then INDOOR TRAVEL CUP,

**INJURIES:**

All injuries incurred during a game must be reported to the tournament director immediately. At the time the injury is reported, an incident report must be completed.

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**\*\*\*TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR RESERVES THE RIGHT TO DECIDE ANY/ALL DISCREPANCIES NOT COVERED BY ABOVE\*\*\***