



RULES & REGULATIONS 2020 Season

The Club/Organization is responsible for the conduct, penalties and fines of its teams, players, coaches and supporters.

1. Rules Of Play

Except as provided herein, all **SUMMER I LEAGUE** matches played within the jurisdiction of this shall be played under FIFA/USSF Laws of the Game as modified by the **SUMMER I LEAGUE**.

2. Competition Information: Game Times

AGE GROUPS	GAME LENGTHS
11U & 12U	2 x 30 mins. (water break at 15 Minute Mark each half)
13U & 14U	2 x 35 mins. (water break at the 18 Minute Mark each half)
15U - 19U	2 x 40 mins. (water break at the 20 Minute Mark each half)

Summer I League will be doing a Water Break 1/2 way through each halve:

- Mandatory 3-minute water break.
- Players can leave the field to retrieve their own water bottle.

3. Substitutions

Substitutions will be as follows for all matches played in this competition:

Substitutions shall be unlimited and can be made with the consent of the referee during any stoppage of play.

4. Uniforms

- A. All teams must wear uniforms that conform to acceptable U.S. Youth Soccer standards.
- B. Each player on a team INCLUDING GOALKEEPER must wear shin guards
- C. Goalkeeper numbers are optional. Each number must be different.
- D. The jerseys must be tucked into the shorts.
- E. Goalkeepers must wear colors that distinguish them from other players and game officials.
- F. If in the opinion of the referee (or Summer I League official) the uniforms are not acceptable for this competition, the team shall be given an opportunity to change uniforms.
- G. When teams' colors are similar as determined by the Referee
 - i. Home Team must change in case of a uniform conflict. The top team listed is the Home Team.

5. Grace Period

A fifteen (15) minute grace period will be allowed. The Referee or Tournament Official may extend the Grace Period for a reasonable amount of time, at his/her discretion, if circumstances dictate. The **SUMMER I LEAGUE** expects decisions in this regard to be made in the spirit of providing an opportunity for the match to be decided on the field. A team not ready to play after expiration of the allowed Grace Period will forfeit the match.

6. Starting The Game

A game shall not be started with fewer than (for 9v9) SIX (6) and (for 11v11) SEVEN (7) eligible and properly uniformed players on each team, If the team has fewer players, the match shall be forfeited to the opponent.

Red carded and/or suspended coaches (ineligible persons) are not allowed in the viewing area of the field. Any violation of these rules will cause the team to forfeit the game in which the violation occurred.

A red carded player may remain in the technical area dressed in clothes that easily distinguish them from active players. The red carded player may be removed from the Technical Area by the referee.

The team's Technical Staff must remain within the confines of the Technical Area except in special circumstances as permitted by the referee such as entering the field of play to treat an injured player.

7. Unfinished Matches

For matches played short-time due to any cause, it shall be at the discretion of the SUMMER I LEAGUE director as to whether the match is to be:

- A. Replayed in its entirety
- B. Restarted where the match was stopped
- C. Winner declared

8. Red Card / Send-Offs & Ejections

Any player, coach or spectator who is removed from a match by the referee is subject to fines and suspensions.

A. Player Send-Off

A player who is sent-off from any game is prohibited from participating in the next immediately following game played by the player's team. A player may receive more than a one-game suspension.

- i. Players ejected from a match may continue to sit in the technical/bench area unless removed by the referee for inappropriate behavior once they have been sent to the bench. Coaches are responsible for ejected player's behavior on the bench, further inappropriate behavior by player may result in coach being sent-off from match. Players serving a suspension for additional game(s) are permitted to sit on the team bench in street clothes (no uniform) and will be held responsible for their actions the same as any other participant.
- ii. Fighting or any punches throw is strictly PROHIBITED. Any fights or punches thrown will be immediate expulsion from the Summer I League.

B. Spectator / Supporter / Parent Send-Off

Any coach or team official shall be held responsible for their spectators/parents

9. Safety & Weather Related/ Lightning Procedures

The team's coaches/officials are responsible for the safety of their players. The Thunder Storm Warning is one (1) long blast from the siren/air horn. As soon as the Thunder Storm Warning is sounded, the coaches shall remove the players from field and immediately seek shelter in an enclosed vehicle or building.

- The All-Clear Signal is three (3) short blasts from the siren/air horn. The All-Clear Signal indicates that the coaches and players may return to the field of play.

10. Matters Not Provided

In all matters provided or not provided in the SUMMER I LEAGUE rules and regulations, the decision of the SUMMER I LEAGUE director shall be final and binding. The SUMMER I LEAGUE director shall have the power to deal with all violations and/or special circumstances.

The SUMMER I LEAGUE Director and REFEREE ASSIGNOR has the authority to modify any of the rules as deemed necessary to ensure the orderly progression of the league.

11. Coaching During the Match

- A. No coaching other than conveying of tactical instruction is permitted during the game.
- B. Only the designated head coach is authorized to convey tactical instructions from the Technical Area and has the responsibility of making sure that no person associated with the team violates this coaching restriction.
- C. The designated head coach is responsible for the actions of all persons associated with the team. Violations by any person including spectators and supporters associated with the team will be deemed the actions of the designated head coach.
- D. The duties of the match officials are defined by FIFA/USSF. Referees must be able to properly apply the Laws of the Game and the SUMMER I LEAGUE rules.
- E. The match officials shall have the authority to determine the acceptability of the field of play; deal with players or coaches exhibiting violent conduct or threatening, abusive language; and stop the match due to interference from spectators.

12. League Standings

Every effort will be made to make timely updates of Team Standings and Scores.

Scoring

WIN – 3 points

TIE – 1 point

FORFEIT/NO SHOW – 0 point to forfeited team and 3 points to team who showed up with 1 goal awarded.

Tie Breakers

In the event where Teams are tied in the standings, the following will be used to determine placing:

1. Highest Goals Scored For (GF)
2. Lowest Goals Scored Allowed (GA)
3. Head to Head

4. Goal Differential

5. Penalty Kicks

13. Active Participating Players:

- All players must be registered to your team to participate.
- Summer I League will check players prior to all games. Your player cards will be your registered player on your Got Soccer Roster. All players must have DOB, Address and picture to participate. NO Player can participate without the proper registration.
- No players can be added after the date of 7/9/20. This is an IYSA mandate and cannot be deviated.
- All players must provide the necessary paperwork and be registered in our system.
 - IYSA Waiver Required
 - Summer I League Waiver Required
 - COMMUNICABLE DISEASE RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT

14. Summer "I" Games

- ▶ Games will be separated by 60 minutes between games allowing teams to come and go with limited or no contact.
- ▶ Teams will be allowed to warm up 30 minutes prior to your game. Players are to remain in their cars until 30 minutes prior to your game.
- ▶ 50 total participants that includes all players, coaches and referees allowed on the field
- ▶ Spectators are NOT included in this count
 - ▶ Social distancing should still be done for all spectators
 - ▶ Social distancing signs will be placed throughout all fields
- ▶ Players on the sideline should be spread out 6 feet apart.
- ▶ NO benches are allowed on the sidelines. Players and coaches are to bring their own chairs that can be spaced properly.
- ▶ No pre or post game handshakes. Have teams engage in round of applause as sign of sportsmanship
- ▶ No post goal high fives, celebrations etc..
- ▶ Players and spectators should leave the field immediately following conclusion of the match and proper cool down if being done by the team.
 - ▶ Limit post game talks or move to an area that allows from proper social distancing
 - ▶ 10 Minute Maximum team discussions as other teams will be arriving.
- ▶ Players that arrive early for next game should wait in the car until games in front of yours are completed. Once the field of play is empty, you may pick a side and enter the field.
- ▶ Participants including players and coaches must be registered in our system. Players and coach's online registration will act as the player card for each participant. All players and coaches will be checked in prior to all games.
- ▶ The Member players must have a signed "IYSA Communicable Disease Release of Liability and Assumption of Risk Agreement" on file for each participant including, but not limited to, the players, coaches, staff, volunteers prior to the start of the first practice/training. These documents should be provided to the league and available IYSA upon request.
- ▶ Players on the sidelines during games are
- ▶ Participants must not exhibit any signs or symptoms of COVID-19 in the past 14 days and have no known exposure to someone that has been ill in 14 days.

- ▶ Participants must not have above normal temperature readings. Anyone with a temperature of 100.4°F or above shall not be permitted to remain on site.
- ▶ If practical before participating in the activity, team manager/coach should take participants temperature via a touchless thermometer.
- ▶ Upon arrival to your game, coaches or staff should ask each athlete if they are experiencing any signs or symptoms of COVID-19. If an athlete has any signs or symptoms of COVID19, the athlete should be sent home and instructed to contact his/her healthcare provider as soon as possible.
- ▶ Players are to wear masks to the field and when they leave the field of play walking to their cars.
- ▶ Participants should use their own equipment when possible and properly sanitize the equipment after every training session.
- ▶ Participants should use their own water bottle, towel and any other personal hygiene products.
- ▶ Players on bench should be spaced out at least 6-feet apart as allowable.
- ▶ No pre or post game handshakes, instead for sportsmanship teams should engage in a round of applause following the conclusion of the match.
- ▶ No pre-game team walkouts. Take the field ready to play.
- ▶ Do not use scrimmage vest or pinnies
- ▶ The IYSA/Summer I League does not provide any insurance coverage for Covid-19 related claims. Attendance is 100% at your own risk.

15. Spectators

- ▶ Fans need to be at least 9-feet apart from one another and at least 10 feet off the sidelines.
- ▶ Fans are REQUIRED TO wear masks to and from all game fiels.
 - ▶ Please help us with this by doing all that we can to avoid any spread of Covid 19.
- ▶ People from the same household can share one “family area” that is separated 6 feet apart
- ▶ Spectators should remain in their designated area
- ▶ Parent/fan attendance log of spectators should be kept by the coach as a precaution. We suggest sending an email to your parents to get an idea of who may be attending each game.

ENJOY THE SUMMER I LEAGUE GAMES!!!