

# SUMMER SEVENS 2024 Tournament Rules – California Soccer Park

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## Cost

\$40.00 per player

\$6 per day entry fee applies to spectators over 12 years of age.

## Number of Games

Guaranteed 3 match minimum

## Ages

COED 16+ Soccer Tournament

## Registration Information and Deadline

Registration deadline: July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024

In the instance that the tournament fills all brackets prior to the application deadline, the tournament reserves the right to declare that it is full and closed to applications.

Notification of team acceptance or rejection will be sent to every applicant by July 10th, 2024.

A refund of the team's entry fee (if submitted) will be included in notices sent to rejected teams.

## Withdrawing from the Tournament

If a team or player withdraws after they have been accepted 14 days or less before a tournament, that team will forfeit all entry fees.

## Check-In Requirements

Team managers must check in at California Soccer Park on Friday, July 12th 1 hour prior to first game. You must notify and receive confirmation if you cannot make it to the check in on Friday night. Only the team manager or coach is required to be at the check-in.

## Roster Size

Teams are allowed up to 14 players on tournament roster.

## One Team Only

Players may only play for one team throughout the tournament. Any player found to be playing on more than one team will be ejected from the tournament. Games that player played in will be forfeited.

## Moving Goals

Do not drag the goals on the turf. Should you need to move them, find a staff member to help you.

## Bench Area

Teams are responsible for clean-up in their team bench area. **Tents are not allowed to be staked into the turf.**

## Start Times and Forfeiture

Teams must check in at the directors table prior to each game. Teams should be present at game field no later than 30 minutes before their scheduled game time. If a team has not taken the field before 5 minutes after their scheduled game time, with at least a minimum of eight players, then the game will be forfeited to the team that has taken the field with at least the minimum amount of required players. If neither team takes the field within the five minute grace period, no points will be awarded to either team and the game will be declared a double forfeit.

The referee and/or Tournament Director may terminate a game at their discretion and award a forfeit if:

- A team leaves the field during a game without the referee's approval.
- A team is sent from the field by the referee for violent play and/or misconduct by coaches, players or fans.
- A team is deemed to be in gross violation of US Club or California Soccer Park tournament rules.

## Substitutions

Unlimited Substitutions are allowed for either team at any stoppage of play. Referees should use discretion when teams are using substitutions as a means of wasting time. Referees should also consider the momentum of play and the spirit of the game when allowing or disallowing a substitution on a stoppage of play.

## Sportsmanship and Conduct

Team Captains are responsible for the conduct of their assistant coaches, players, team officials, parents, and spectators affiliated with their team.



### **Yellow and Red Cards – (Ejections)**

A player receiving two yellow cards in a single game is considered the same as receiving a RED CARD. A player given a red card or two yellow cards in one game shall be expelled from that game and shall not be replaced. A player or coach receiving a red card or two yellow cards in one game shall not be allowed to participate in the next game. The tournament committee reserves the right to modify penalties assessed on a player or coach for violent play or more serious conduct violations after consultation with PAD committee. Abusive or violent behavior towards referees will result in additional penalties. For purposes of this tournament a coach will be warned and may be dismissed for his/her actions or those of spectators or friends of the team.

### **Format for Games**

The number of teams per age/gender division will be determined by the tournament committee, depending upon the number of qualified teams accepted per age/gender.

The number of teams per flight will depend on the number of teams per age/gender, process of determining winner and number of games played.

### **Length of Games**

30 minute halves

Injury time will be added only in extreme cases and at the discretion of the referee. In all preliminary games ties will stand. In the championship/consolation games, in the event of a tie, two overtime periods of five minutes each will be played. If the game is still tied after the second overtime period, then FIFA kicks from the mark will determine the winning team. No 'Golden Goal' rule applies.

### **Preliminary Game Points**

Points shall be awarded to each team based on the following:

Condition Points

Win +6

Tie +3

Shutout +1 (includes 0-0)

Goals scored +1 each goal scored (maximum of 3 per game)

Red Card/Ejection -1 each player, -2 each coach

Forfeits shall be scored as (1-0) for the non-forfeiting team. (8 points)

Goal Differential in any single match will only be recorded up to +/-5

### **Tie Breaker**

In case of a tie in tournament points following the completion of the preliminary games, the advancing team will be determined based on the following criteria in the order specified.

1. Head to Head competition– team that won the head to head competition between the teams that are tied will advance (should there be a tie in tournament points between three or more teams, the tie-breaking procedure begins with #2 below)
2. When and if only two teams remain tied at any point while using this procedure, the order of tie breaking will recommence at #1 above)
  - a. Win/Loss record. Team with most wins advances.
  - b. Team with the highest goal differential advances-total goals scored less goals allowed
  - c. Team with the fewest goals allowed advances
  - d. Team with most goals scored advances
  - e. Team with the fewest red cards/ejections advances
  - f. Penalty kicks per FIFA guidelines

### **Medical Assistance**

Any injuries should be reported to a Field Marshall and Tournament Director. Field Marshall shall complete an accident report for all injury reports. In the event of serious injury, emergency medical services will be called if requested by the parent, coach, or referee. Medical supplies for minor injuries will be provided at every field. Teams are encouraged to bring their own trainer.

### **Weather**

California Soccer Park is an all weather park; therefore tournaments will not be canceled due to severe weather except lightning or extremely poor air quality. If the tournament is canceled any uncommitted entry fees will be returned to all participating teams with due allowance made for games played, awards, programs, and other unrecoverable expenses.

**Other Situations**

Under no circumstances will alcoholic beverages of any kind, tobacco products, vapes, e-cigarettes, or animals (except service dogs) be allowed within the confines of the tournament complex. **NO STAKES MAY BE USED ON ANY OF THE PLAYING SURFACES.** No food or drinks can be brought into the California Soccer Park (except water for the players).

A gate fee of \$6.00 will be charged for all spectators over the age of 12. Coaches, players, and referees will not be required to pay the gate fee.

The Tournament Committee will resolve any situation not covered by these rules.

**Awards**

1st place team awards will be presented in each division. The Awards will be T-Shirts for 1st and 2nd Place and Free Admission for 1st Place for CASP Drop-In. Awards will be presented after the conclusion of each Championship/Consolation game.

All game results will be final. No protest will be considered.

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