



Richland AYSO Soccer Tournament Team Invitation



Hello, Coaches!

Richland AYSO is proud to invite your team to our Richland Soccer Tournament

Scope: AYSO Section Tournament – open to AYSO teams only from Section 13.

When: Saturday, June 08, 2024

Where: The tournament will be held at Richland AYSO's field on Schoolhouse Road. There is no charge for parking. No pets are allowed at fields.

Who: AYSO coed teams in age divisions 16U/19U (7v7) 12 players maximum, 14U (11v11) 15 players maximum, 12U (9v9) 12 players maximum, and 10U (7v7) 10 players max. All players must be registered to play in the AYSO 2023 Fall or 2024 Spring season. No more than 25% of players can be from 2023 Fall Season. Guest players will be allowed (3 maximum per team).

What: Pool play tournament. Each team will be guaranteed 3 games in pool play. The top teams will advance to the medal round in the afternoon.

Why: The Richland Soccer Tournament is being conducted as a fundraiser by Region 996 to raise funds to give college scholarships to a former AYSO soccer player.

Awards: All players and 1 coach and 1 assistant coach per team will receive a tournament t-shirt. All players on the 1st and 2nd place teams will receive a trophy.

Entry Fee, Refunds: \$180 for 16/19U, \$225 for 14U, \$180 for 12U, and \$150 for 10U. A full refund will be issued if tournament is canceled and cannot be rescheduled. If a team withdraws 30 or more days before the tournament, a full refund is given. Within 30 days of the tournament, no refund is provided unless a replacement team is found.

Referee Fee, Refunds: Teams are required to provide a center qualified referee for five (5) games. Your team's referee has to be present if your team plays the championship game. Any team not bringing a qualified center referee shall pay a \$85 fee.

Rules: A full set of tournament rules are posted on the tournament website.

Acceptance: The application deadline is May 24. All teams will be notified within 48 hours of the application deadline or receipt of application (whichever is latest) as to their status. Teams that are not accepted will be given the option to have their complete application returned or to be placed on the waiting list.

How: Team entry applications and all necessary forms are available on the tournament website (see below). Please send 1 Region check that covers both the Entry and Referee fees, along with the tournament application, referee information form, and team roster to the Tournament Registrar address below. Regional commissioner must sign application and team roster. Appropriate referee administrator must sign referee information form. See referee form for details. Head Coach must sign to certify they have read both the region and area tournament rules.

Make region check payable to: AYSO Region 996 Tournament Fund

Address: Tournament Registrar
Suzie Leitenberger
P.O. Box 731
Johnstown, PA 15907

Information: Phone: 814-266-2214
E-mail: richlandayso@yahoo.com
Website: richlandayso.com



Richland AYSO Co-Ed Soccer Tournament 10U, 12U, 14U & 16/19U Team Application

Make check payable to: **Richland AYSO Tournament Fund**

Return completed form and check to: **Suzie Leitenberger** (sleitenberger@att.net)
P.O. Box 731
Johnstown, PA 15907
(814) 266-2214

Website: richlandayso.com

REMINDER- Head Coaches

COACH CERTIFICATION /TRAININGPOLICY

- **Must be a registered volunteer in Sports Connect for the current year.**
- **Have AYSO Safe Haven for Coaches certification.**

As Head Coach, I certify that I have fully read both the Richland AYSO Soccer Tournament rules and Area Tournament Rules and will follow them accordingly.

Head Coach Signature: _____



Richland AYSO Co-Ed Soccer Tournament 10U, 12U, 14U & 16/19U Team Application

Team location and name to be used in tournament: _____

AYSO Region: _____ Area: _____ Division: _____

Team Shirt Color (All must be the same) with AYSO Logo: _____

Head Coach Shirt Size: _____

Asst. Coach Shirt Size: _____

Referee Shirt Size: _____

Title	Name	Address	Phone#	E-mailAddress
Coach				
Asst.Coach				
Referee				

REFEREE MUST BE 16YRS. OF AGE

Level of certification: _____ regional _____ intermediate _____ advanced _____ national

Each team 10U through 16/19U is required to bring a center referee (over 16 years of age) who is qualified to officiate in the center position and referee five (5) games. The team referee must be available as long as the team is competing.

***ONLY OFFICIAL SPORTS CONNECT ROSTERS LISTING COACHES AND PLAYERS NAMES WILL BE ACCEPTED. OFFICIAL TEAM ROSTERS MUST BE SIGNED AND APPROVED BY TEAMS REGIONAL COMMISSIONER.**

***Please add player shirt sizes next to each player's name on the official Sports Connect Roster.**

PLEASE READ THE TOURNAMENT RULES PRIOR TO COMPLETING THIS ROSTER.

FEE for 16/19U is \$180.00

(2 girls on the field)

MAXIMUM PLAYERS: 12 for 16/19U (7v7)

FEE for 14U is \$225.00

(3 girls on the field)

MAXIMUM PLAYERS: 15 for 14U (11 v11)

FEE for 12U is \$180.00

(3 girls on the field)

MAXIMUM PLAYERS: 12 for 12U (9v9)

FEE for 10U is \$150.00

(2 girls on the field)

MAXIMUM PLAYERS: 10 for 10U (7v7)

This is a CO-ED Tournament



Richland AYSO Soccer Tournament Referee Information Form



I plan to bring a referee team to the tournament Y/N: _____

Referee Information Form Date: _____

Region: _____ Team Name: _____

Coach Name: _____

Age Division: _____

10U

12U

14U

16U/

19U

Coed

Referee Team Contact Person

Name: _____ Email Address: _____

Day Phone: _____ Evening Phone: _____

Provide the following information for each referee.

- For "Badge Level", insert R = Regional, I = Intermediate, A = Advanced, N = National. Also the date they were certified at that level.
- In each box under "Center/Assistant/Boys/Girls", provide the highest level they are competent to referee (e.g. BU-10, GU-12, etc.)
- In "Player on Team", indicate if the referee has a child who is playing in the tournament on this team.

	Referee Name	Badge Level	Certification Date	Center		Assistant		Player on Team (Y/N)	Home Phone/ Email
				Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls		
1									
2									
3									
4									

Each referee will receive a tournament T-Shirt. Please indicate sizes needed. All sizes are Adult.

	XXL	XL	L	M	S
Size of shirt needed					

Regional Referee Administrator's Name _____

Phone Number _____

Email _____

By my signature below, I certify that all referees listed are trained and Safe Haven certified AYSO referees and qualified for officiating 10U through 16U games as indicated above.

RRA Signature and date (Blue ink please)



Richland AYSO Soccer Tournament Referee Plan



The following are guidelines that the Richland Soccer Tournament will apply for referees in our tournament:

Commitment Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Each team participating in the Richland Soccer Tournament must provide at least 1 center qualified referee.B. The Richland Soccer Tournament Referee Information Form must be completed, approved by the Region Referee Administrator and returned with the Team Application.C. Each referee team will be asked to officiate a minimum of 5 matches during the tournament. These may be game assignments or standby assignments.D. Any team not bringing a center qualified referee shall pay a \$85 fee.E. Remember: the quality of officiating is largely dependent upon the experience and abilities of the referees you provide.
Qualification Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Each referee must be an AYSO registered volunteer in the current year and Safe Haven certified.B. Each referee must be versed in the Laws of the Game, including current law changes and capable of applying the laws according to the spirit of the game.C. Each referee may only represent one team in the tournament.D. Players in the tournament will not be allowed to officiate.E. Coaches in this tournament are strongly discouraged from officiating so that scheduling of referees with the best experience and without conflicts can be accomplished. If an exception is warranted due to lack of other referee volunteers, this must approved ahead of time.F. Youth referees will only be allowed if they are not a player in the tournament. Care must be taken when considering whether to allow a youth referee to officiate in the heated environment of a competitive tournament. These referees must have their Youth Volunteer Application form with them at all times and present it to any Tournament official upon request.
Uniform Requirement	<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. All referees must be in full Uniform as defined by AYSO and USSF, including the AYSO Badge.B. The Gold uniform will be considered the primary color of referee uniform for this tournament. The referee crew will be expected to change to an alternate color in case of conflict with either of the teams' uniforms.C. Referees not in uniform will not be permitted to referee games.
Competency Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Referees will be assigned to games. Any exceptions must have the prior written approval of the Referee AdministratorB. Every effort will be made to assign referees to neutral games at their level of competency or below.
Tournament Rules	<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Referees will be expected to familiarize themselves with and uphold the tournament rules, AYSO guidelines and FIFA laws. Any failure of the referee to uphold these rules may be cause for dismissal from the tournament, and will place a team's referee deposit refund in jeopardy.B. Only the diagonal system of control will be used.C. Referees will be expected to fill out the game cards and to keep track of substitutions.D. Referees will be expected to note on the back of the game cards and to fill out misconduct reports immediately after the game in which a misconduct (caution and/or send-off) was issued to a player or coach, or if there were spectator interference problems, or any other action that merits a report.E. Referees will be expected to turn in all completed game cards and misconduct reports to the Field Monitor immediately after each game.
Referee Schedules	<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Referee schedules will be handled at the Referee Tent and by the Tournament Referee Administrator.
Use of Local Referees	<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Additional referees will be provided by the host region, from the surrounding regions and Areas to ensure all games are covered by qualified referees. These referees will be provided assignments on a stand-by or fill-in basis. Priority will be given to team's referees to ensure they are not assessed a fee.

Referee Check-In	<p>A. All referees will be expected to check in at the Referee Station upon their arrival at the tournament, to register and to collect their Referee Voucher.</p> <p>B. At check-in, each referee team will be provided with a summarized set of tournament rules that they will be expected to administer.</p> <p>C. Referees are expected to check in at the Referee Station at least 30 minutes prior to their assigned game.</p>
Referee Mementos	<p>A. Referees that signup for their required number of games will be provided with free food and drink at the concession stand. Chilled water and snacks may also be available at the Referee Station.</p> <p>B. Participating referees that referee their required number of games will receive a tournament t-shirt as a memento to thank them for their contribution.</p>
Address:	<p>Referee forms must be mailed with the Team Application to:</p> <p>Tournament Registrar Suzie Leitenberger P.O. Box 731 Johnstown, PA 15907</p>
Contact Information:	<p>Questions regarding referee requirements should be directed to:</p> <p>Phone: 814-266-2214 E-mail: sleitenberger@att.net Website: richlandasyo.com</p>



Richland AYSO Soccer Tournament Youth Referee Letter



Youth Referee Name: _____

Current Age _____ **Date of Birth:** _____

AYSO Badge Level: _____ **Certification Date:** _____

Representing Tournament Team: _____

Region: _____	Team Name: _____
Coach Name: _____	
Age Division:	10U 12U 14U 16U/19U Coed

Youth referees must carry a copy of this letter with them at all times and present it to any Tournament Officials upon request. Youth referees also must either have a parent/guardian present at all times, or must have a copy of their Youth Volunteer Registration Form attached to this Letter.

- Richland Soccer Tournament requires that Youth Referees have this letter of authorization from their respective Regional Referee Administrator, certifying that they are skilled and experienced to handle the rigors of a competitive tournament game.
- Richland Soccer Tournament further requires that the Youth Referee be at least 2 years older than the age group for which they are officiating, and further that they are not a player on a team that is currently entered in the tournament.

Regional Referee Administrator Information:

Regional Referee Administrator's Name

Phone Number

Email

I understand that a highly competitive tournament like the Richland Soccer Tournament generates a great deal of excitement and rigorous play that present a unique challenge to any referee. As a youth referee, there is an increased level of challenge due to the scrutiny that a youth referee is subjected to.

Nevertheless, I certify that this Youth Referee is a member in good standing from my Region, that s/he is skilled and experienced to referee games up to the level indicated below, and that s/he is at least 2 years older than the age group indicated:

	10U	12U	14U	16U/19U
Skill level as a Center Referee (check all that apply)				
Skill level as an Assistant Referee (check all that apply)				

RRA Signature and date (Blue ink please)



Guest Player Form SECTION 13, AREA D



Borrowing Team Information:

Roster Date:

Region:	_____					Team Name:	_____	
Coach Name:	_____							
Age Division:	10U	12U	14U	16U/ 19U	Coed			

All American Tournament rules allow teams to bring up to 3 "Guest Players" when they are unable to recruit sufficient players from their own Region. These Guest Players must be properly registered AYSO players who were registered and played in their home Region in the 2019/2020 program.

(List In Order By Uniform Shirt No.)

Shirt #	Region #	Player ID #	Player's Name Last, First (please print)	Age	Date of Birth	Telephone Including Area Code

By my signature below, I certify that all players on this roster are valid registered players in my region and are approved to join the above team and participate in this tournament:

Guest Player(s) Regional
Commissioner:

Print Name

Signature (Blue or Red Ink)

E-mail: _____ Best Phone: _____

By my signature below, I approve that these _____ (number of players) guest players are approved to join the above team and participate in this tournament:

Host Team Regional
Commissioner:

Area Director Approval:
(Required)



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Thank you for playing in our Richland Soccer Tournament

JURISDICTION

1. The tournament committee will decide on all matters pertaining to the tournament and their judgment is final.
2. Unless otherwise noted, the current AYSO National Rules and Regulations and Laws of the Game (as amended for AYSO) will be used. This includes **NO TOBACCO AND NO ALCOHOL**.
3. Referee judgment calls are NOT subject to dispute or protest!

FEES

1. Entire fee of \$150 for 10U; \$180 for 12U; \$225 for 14U; \$180 for 16/19U ~ must accompany the tournament application which must be received by May 24, 2024. **Fee must be a check issued from the REGION's account (no personal checks).**

ACCEPTANCE

1. Applications will be accepted on a first-come basis (postage date), which includes the completed application pack and regional check.

REFUNDS

1. Teams withdrawing by May 24, 2024 will receive a full refund. Teams withdrawing afterward will only be issued a refund if a replacement team can be found.
2. If the tournament is canceled and cannot be rescheduled a full refund will be issued.

REGISTRATION

1. The Richland Soccer Tournament is open to teams in the 10U, 12U, 14U, & 16/19U. **16/19U must have more or an equal amount of 16U players vs 19U players on the roster.** Players divisions are based on the following birth dates:
10U 01-01-14 to 12-31-15 -- **You must have a minimum of two girls on the field at all times**
12U 01-01-12 to 12-31-13 -- **You must have a minimum of three girls on the field at all times**
14U 01-01-10 to 12-31-11 -- **You must have a minimum of three girls on the field at all times**
16/19U 01-01-05 to 12-31-09 -- **You must have a minimum of two girls on the field at all times**
The players on the team roster must be a registered AYSO player for the current year. Players may play up a division (**except no U8 registered players may participate in the tournament**), however they may not play down a division. If players played up a division during the regular season, then that is the age group they must play in the tournament.
2. If due to injury a team is unable meet the requirement of girls on the field at all times. That team would be required to play short the remainder of the game or until enough girls are healthy enough to participate again.
3. Team rosters must be verified, approved and signed by each player's Regional Commissioner. Roster changes may be submitted (with the written approval of the Regional Commissioner); however, these changes must be presented at team registration. Coaches must report to register their teams 30 minutes prior to their first scheduled game. Registration will take place at the registration tent at the Met Life/UPJ fields.
4. Guest players (limit 3) from a different region other than the applying teams region will ONLY be allowed after complete exhaustion of all eligible players from the applying teams region and with the written approval of the **AREA DIRECTOR**. If granted, the guest player will be required to have the approval of both the guest player's Regional Commissioner and the Host Team Regional Commissioner on the Guest Player Form.



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5. You may only register for one division and one team (example: you can NOT play for 12U & 14U) you will have to choose one division.

THE GAME

1. Each team is guaranteed a minimum of three (3) games. The games will be played in two 15 minute halves with a 3 minute half-time for 10U through 16/19U. Games will start and stop with airhorn. Time will not stop for any reason.
2. Division 10U will play 7 v 7 with a roster limit of 10 players per team and minimum 7 to start a game.
Division 12U will play 9 v 9 with a roster limit of 12 players per team and minimum 9 to start a game.
Division 14U will play 11 v 11 with a roster limit of 15 players per team and minimum 11 to start a game.
Division 16/19U will play 7 v 7 with a roster limit of 12 players per team and minimum 7 to start a game.
You can not have more 19U than 16U players on team roster.
Referees will start all games on the timekeeper's signal. A team that does not appear by the start of the game with minimum number of players will forfeit and the opposing team will receive a win with maximum points of 14.

PLEASE NOTE the following tournament rule variations.

10U Division Tournament Rule – No heading or slide tackling is permitted. An infraction of this tournament rule will result in an Indirect Free Kick for the opposing team.

12U Division Tournament Rule – No heading or slide tackling is permitted. An infraction of this tournament rule will result in an Indirect Free Kick for the opposing team.

3. The home team is the first one listed on the schedule. There should be no spectators on the side of the field where players & team coaches are positioned.
4. Lineup cards shall be completed by the coaches and forwarded to the referee after each game.
5. Approximately halfway through the first half of play and second half of play, on a dead ball, the referee will stop the game and call for substitutions. Only those players being substituted may leave the field. The clock will continue to run during substitutions. Coaches shall not be permitted on the field during substitution opportunities.
6. All players that are present will play at least one half of each game, excluding overtime unless there is an injury.
7. **No player is permitted to play on two different teams.**

COACHES

1. Each team is limited to one Head Coach and one Assistant Coach only (must have one of each) and must be listed on the Official Team Roster.
2. Each Coach must be Safe-Haven certified and must provide their AYSO Identification Number.
3. Coaches are expected to set the example for their team in exhibiting proper AYSO and Kid Zone behavior and will be held responsible for the actions of their team including spectators.
4. The coaches must remain on their half of the field during the entire game.

REFEREES

1. Each team 10U through 16/19U is required to bring a referee (over 16 years of age) who is **qualified to officiate in the center position of the age division for the team they represent.** Should you not bring a referee you will be charged \$85 prior to being accepted in the tournament. The team referee must be available as long as the team is competing.
2. Referees shall at all times impose the FIFA laws and AYSO rules and regulations, except those mentioned here.

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STANDINGS

1. A team receives: 10 points for a win, 5 points for a tie, 1 point for a shutout, 1 point for each goal scored up to 3. Score of a forfeited game is 14-0. Yellow card results in -1 point and red card results in -2 points. (Yellow Cards do not carry over to the next game.)
2. Total points determine standings. In case of ties standings will be determined by the following criteria:
 - 1) Head to head (Result of playing against each other earlier in day)
 - 2) Goal differential up to (3) goals per game max, plus or minus
 - 3) Least goals allowed
 - 4) Fewest red cards
 - 5) Fewest yellow cards
 - 6) Kicks from the mark – 5 players

OVERTIME RULES: (Playoffs & Championship Only)

- 1st: One five minute period of regular overtime (Full five minute over time is played)
- 2nd: One five minute period of sudden victory (FIRST GOAL WINS)
- 3rd: (Shoot Out) Kicks from the mark (three shooters) still tied after first round, (three new shooters)
Sequence continues with groups of three shooters until winner is determined. After initial three shooters, winner is determined if 4th shooter scores for one team but not the other. Shots will continue one by one until this occurs. Same player is not allowed to shoot twice until all active players on that team shoots at least once.

CONDUCT

1. Spectator behavior shall adhere to AYSO philosophies and the rules of the AYSO KIDS ZONE. All Spectators must remain behind the control line. No spectators are permitted to be behind the goals. Spectators behaving in a manner inconsistent with AYSO philosophies and the KIDS ZONE Rules will be instructed to leave the fields and facility area. Failure by spectators to display appropriate behavior or leave the field/facility as directed by the tournament director, could result in a forfeit by the team with which the spectator is associated or dismissal of the team for the remainder of the tournament.
2. At the conclusion of each match, the competing teams will shake hands and the referee should note on the reverse of the game cards fan, player and coach misconduct. Referees will be required to complete a game report for all misconduct during the game, as well as any incidents of interference by spectators.
3. Any coach or spectator ejected must immediately leave the vicinity of the playing field and will be prohibited from attending the next scheduled game. Any player sent off (red carded) except as noted in "4" below must remain on the team bench and under supervision of the coach(s) for the duration of the game, and may not return to the field of play during the current game, including for the post-game handshake, and may not be substituted for, and is suspended from participation in the next game.
4. Any violent conduct red card or ejection will result in that player/coach/spectator being barred from the remainder of the tournament.
5. If it is determined that an ineligible player has participated in a game, the team will forfeit all games in which that player participated. If a coach knowingly played an ineligible player that coach will be banned from participating in future Richland AYSO tournaments.
6. If a coach willfully fails to have his team participate in a scheduled game, the coach will be dismissed from the tournament and the incident will be reported to the respective Regional Commissioner.
7. All misconduct problems and serious incidents will be reported to the respective Regional Commissioner, Area and Section Director.

UNIFORMS/SAFETY

1. All players must wear the approved AYSO uniform as illustrated in the National Rules and Regulations. All players on the same team must wear matching uniforms of the same color. Excluding the Goalkeeper) – If there is a conflict in the color of uniform for a game, the home team (listed first on the schedule) will change to the tournament T-shirt as directed by the referee. **NO TEAM is permitted to wear uniforms that have yellow shirts/socks which could result in confusion with referee uniforms.**

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2. Each player's uniform must be marked with a permanently-affixed unique number that matches the uniform number on the game card and may not exchange numbered jerseys with any other player during the game.
3. Any time the game is stopped for a player down, that player **MUST LEAVE THE FIELD** and cannot return until the next scheduled substitution time. The injured player can be replaced upon injury.
4. Jewelry, hard casts, or hard metal or plastic clips on clothing or hair are not permitted. Knee braces must be adequately padded. Prior to a player participating in any activity, coaches must identify and get approval for any brace from the tournament director. All braces must be adequately padded. If the tournament director believes the brace lacks sufficient padding, the player may not participate in play. A player participating with a brace not previously identified and approved in advance by the tournament director will receive a red card and be sent off. The offending team may **NOT** substitute for the player sent off and that team will play short for the remainder of that game.

INCLEMENT WEATHER

1. Only the Tournament Director or Referees have the authority to postpone, shorten or cancel a game due to inclement weather. The safety of players and spectators are the top priority. Every attempt will be made to maintain the original game schedule, and to reschedule canceled games. However this cannot be guaranteed. In the event a match is canceled due to inclement weather, the score at the time of cancellation will be recorded if one half has been completed. No points will be awarded for any match played less than $\frac{1}{2}$ of its scheduled time. The tournament Director reserves the right to make whatever adjustments may be necessary in game length or number of games in order to proceed with the schedule (following delays due to inclement weather). Teams will be considered with equal amounts of games played. For example, if one team has completed more games than the others in a division have, the previous game's points will be eliminated from the standings, as determined by tournament committee. Should the tournament be interrupted due to inclement weather, and cannot resume, the team with the most accumulated tournament points will be the winner and the team with the second highest accumulated points will be the second-place team. In the event of a tie see Standings item #2.

Play hard! Play fair! Have fun!



SECTION 13, AREA 'D' Tournament Rules



CATEGORY	RULE
1) JURISDICTION	<p>A. Unless otherwise noted, the current AYSO National Rules and Regulations and Laws of the game (as amended for AYSO) will be used. The following rules are intended specifically for Section 13, Area D tournaments <u>ONLY</u>.</p> <p>B. Each Individual Tournament Committee will have jurisdiction over all games played. Protests will be handled in accordance with that Tournament's rules.</p> <p>C. Referee judgment calls are NOT subject to dispute or protest!</p>
2) FEES	<p>A. Entire fee and referee deposit (if required) must accompany the tournament application and will be returned if application is not accepted. <u>Fee must be a single check issued from the respective REGION's account (no cash or personal checks are allowed to be accepted).</u></p>
3) ACCEPTANCE	<p>A. Applications will be accepted on a first-come basis (postage date), unless other wise stated by the individual tournament AND based on a completed application (see Team Application Form for criteria). Teams will be notified in accordance with the tournament rules.</p> <p>B. Teams not accepted will be offered the opportunity to be placed on a waiting list.</p>
4) REFUNDS	<p>A. Teams withdrawing less than 30 days before the start of the tournament refer to tournament rules.</p> <p>B. If the tournament is canceled and cannot be rescheduled a full refund will be issued.</p> <p>C. For teams that are eligible, referee deposit refunds will be mailed after the tournament. Referee deposit refunds will be on a prorated basis, comparing the number of assignments actually completed versus the number that were assigned.</p>
5) RAINOUT/ CANCELLATION	<p>A. Refer to individual Tournament Rules. .</p>
6) PLAYERS/TEAMS	<p>A. Players on participating teams must be properly registered to play in AYSO, and have played in the Region's just completed playing season(s). Coaches and Regional Commissioners are responsible to ensure that their players meet eligibility requirements.</p> <p>B. Players may play up a division (except no U8 registered players may participate in tournament play); however, players may not play down a division with the following exception: If players played up a division at the request of the region or the region combined divisions during the playing season for the benefit of the region, the players are eligible to play in their appropriate age division as if <u>the player</u> had not been requested to play up a division by the region or the divisions not been combined for the benefit of the region.</p> <p>C. <u>TEAM ROSTERS WILL BE SUBMITTED USING EAYSO'S TEAM CREATION PROGRAM and signed by the Regional Commissioner.</u> Roster changes may only be submitted with the written approval of the Regional Commissioner; however, these changes must be received by the Tournament Registrar prior to the tournament. Roster changes on tournament day will be at the discretion of the Tournament Committee.</p> <p>D. Guest Players (limit 3) from a region other than the applying team's region, IF permitted by the tournament and will <u>ONLY</u> be allowed after complete exhaustion of all eligible players from the applying team's region within the age group. All Guest Player requests must be with the written approval of the <u>AREA DIRECTOR</u>. If granted, the Guest Player form will be required to have the approval of both the Guest Player's Regional Commissioner and the Host Team's Regional Commissioner (refer to Area D Guest Player Form).</p> <p>E. Coed teams will play in the boy's divisions.</p> <p>F. Divisions U-16 and U-19, roster limit of 18 players per team. Division U-14 will play 11-v-11, roster limit of 15 players per team. Division U-12 will play 9-v-9, roster limit of 12 players per team. Division U-10 will play 7-v-7, roster limit of 10 players per team.</p> <p>G. All players present will play one half of each game, with the exception of injury or illness.</p>
7) COACHES	<p>A. Each team is limited to <u>one (1) Head Coach and one (1) Assistant Coach only</u> (must have one of each) and must be listed on the Official Team Roster.</p> <p>B. Each Coach must be Safe-Haven certified, completed the Concussion course and provide their AYSO Identification Number.</p> <p>C. Coaches are expected to set the example for their team by exhibiting proper AYSO and Kid Zone behavior and will be held responsible for the actions of their team and spectators.</p> <p>D. Coaches are expected to remain in the technical area during games and only enter the field of play when requested by the referee.</p> <p>E. All tournament coaches will meet the minimum certification requirements for the division being coached with the exception of the Assistant Coach.</p>

8) REFEREES	<p>A. Each team will be required to provide a referee(s) who shall be available throughout the entire tournament or as long as the team is competing. Team referees will sign up for games first to fulfill tournament requirements.</p> <p>B. All referees must be an AYSO registered volunteer and be Safe-Haven Certified.</p> <p>C. Only the diagonal system of control will be used to referee the games.</p> <p>D. Youth referees (center referees) must be at least 2 years older than the age group they are refereeing.</p> <p>E. All referees must be in full Uniform as defined by AYSO and USSF, including the Referee Badge.</p> <p>F. If all assignments are successfully completed, the Referee Deposit (if required) will be refunded (see REFEREE PLAN for more details).</p> <p>G. Referees are expected to check in at the Referee Station at least 30 minutes prior to their assigned game. Coaches will not be permitted to referee within their division or teams from their region in other divisions.</p> <p>H. Referees will be expected to uphold the tournament rules, AYSO guidelines and FIFA laws. Failure to uphold these rules may be cause for dismissal from the tournament and may place the team's referee deposit refund in jeopardy.</p>
9) FIELDS	<p>A. All fields will be set up and taken down by the tournament staff.</p> <p>B. Trash cans should be provided at each field. Teams will be expected to clean up their trash before leaving.</p>
10) FORMAT	A. At the discretion of the Tournament.
11) CHECK-IN	<p>A. Team check in is at the discretion of the tournament and must be prior to the team's first game. The Game Cards must be properly completed with the players' listed first name-last name in uniform number order. The players listed on the game card must match the approved roster submitted with the team's application.</p> <p>B. Each coach or team representative must provide (if requested) the AYSO Player Registration form with original wet signatures for verification by tournament officials.</p> <p>C. Coaches must have the Player Registration forms with them at all times and ready for presentation to Tournament Officials.</p> <p>D. Late arriving players must be escorted to the check-in station by a team official along with their Player Registration Form and be cleared by the Tournament Staff before participating in any games.</p>
12) FIELD MONITORS	<p>A. A tournament Field Monitor will be assigned to each field and will report to the Tournament Field Director. Field Monitors will check in teams prior to each game and present the verified game cards to the match referees.</p> <p>B. At the conclusion of the game, the match referees must return the completed game cards to the Field Monitor.</p> <p>C. Field Monitors will be the first to respond to any incidents or injuries, and will be in contact with the rest of the tournament staff. Tournament participants are encouraged to report any concerns immediately to the Field Monitor, and also to respectfully follow any instructions given by the Field Monitor.</p>
13) GAMES	<p>A. The tournament format will be at the discretion of the Tournament Committee.</p> <p>B. Championship games will be at the discretion of the Tournament Committee.</p> <p>C. Game duration will be at the discretion of the Tournament Committee.</p> <p>D. The "home" team will be the first team or top team listed on the game schedule. Spectators must remain on the side of the field designated for spectators.</p> <p>E. The home team will change jerseys in the event of a color conflict. The referee will determine whether this is necessary.</p> <p>F. Teams must warm up prior to taking the field. As soon as the previous game has ended, teams must clear the field and the teams for the next game must take their places.</p> <p>G. FORFEITS: The score for a forfeit match will be 1-0 for the remaining team. For U-10 division teams, a minimum of 5 players are required on the field to continue a game. For U-12 and above the minimum number of players on the field be at the discretion of the individual tournament. If a team cannot field the minimum number of players, the game will be abandoned and a forfeit will be declared.</p> <p>H. SUSPENDED GAMES: The Tournament Committee may determine to end matches early if the schedule is behind due to game delays, interference, or if weather conditions provide unsafe conditions; and may distribute awards according to games played and points. The Tournament Committee will determine the outcome of any single game which is terminated prematurely (for whatever reason).</p> <p>I. ABANDONED GAMES: If games cannot be played due to circumstances beyond the control of the tournament, the final standings will be determined in accordance with the Tournament's rules. Only the Tournament Director or designee can declare a game to be abandoned.</p>
14) SUBSTITUTIONS	<p>A. With the exception of U16/19 (see "C" below) substitutions shall be allowed approximately mid way through each half, half time, midway through the second half and will be recorded by the Field Monitor.</p> <p>B. All substitutions must be approved and recognized by the referee. Substitutions may be made for injured players; however, they may not return until the beginning of the next quarter and will be considered as having played the current quarter (exception: an injured player not replaced may return to play at any time with the referee's permission).</p> <p>C. Substitutions in U-16/U-19 will be free substitution according to the AYSO Experimental Program for U-16/U-19 Play. Playing time for each player will be recorded on a special time monitoring form by the Field Monitor or tournament official. Substitutions will be allowed at a stoppage of play as allowed by the referee.</p>

15) STANDINGS	<p>A. Standings are at the discretion of the Tournament Committee.</p> <p>B. Winners of ties in standings will be determined by the Tournament Committee.</p> <p>C. Standings will be updated at the completion of each game at the Tournament Scoreboard.</p>
16) ADVANCEMENTS	A. Determined as per the Tournament Rules.
17) MEDAL-ROUNDS	A. To be determined by the Tournament Committee.
18) AWARDS	A. To be determined by the Tournament Committee.
19) CONDUCT	<p>A. Coaches will be expected to set a positive example for the team, and will be held responsible for the actions of their team including spectators.</p> <p>B. All spectators must remain behind the control line and from behind the goals.</p> <p>C. At the conclusion of each match, the referees should note on the reverse of the game cards fan, player and coach misconduct. Point deductions (if any) will be as per the tournament rules. Referees will be required to complete a game report for all misconduct during the game, as well as any incidents of interference by spectators.</p> <p>D. Any coach or spectator ejected must immediately leave the vicinity of the playing field and will be prohibited from attending the next scheduled game. Any player sent off (red card) except as noted in "E" blow must remain on the team bench and under supervision of the coach(s) for the duration of the game and may not return to the field of play during the current game including the post-game handshake nor be permitted to participate in the next game. Penalty point deductions for all send-offs are at the discretion of the Tournament.</p> <p>E. Any violent conduct red card or fan ejection will result in that player/coach/spectator being barred from the remainder of the tournament.</p> <p>F. If it is determined that an ineligible player has participated in a game, the team will forfeit all games in which that player participated illegally. Furthermore, if it is determined that the coach knowingly played a player illegally, that coach will be barred from further participation in the tournament.</p> <p>G. If a coach willfully fails to have his team participate in a scheduled game, the coach will be dismissed from the tournament and the incident will be reported to the respective Regional Commissioner.</p> <p>H. All conduct problems and serious incidents will be reported to the respective Regional Commissioner, Area and Section Directors, and the AYSO National Office as may be required.</p>
20) MEDICAL/FIRST AID	<p>A. A First Aid station should be established at the main tent.</p> <p>B. Field Monitors should communicate via radio to the first aid staffer if first aid is required at the field.</p> <p>C. If an injury is serious, the first aid staffer or Safety Director will call 911 for emergency response.</p> <p>D. Directions to the nearest hospital/urgent care center will be available at the First Aid station.</p>
21) UNIFORMS/SAFETY	<p>A. All players must wear the approved AYSO uniform only as illustrated in the National Rules and Regulations. All players on the same team must wear matching uniforms, (goalkeeper excepted).</p> <p>B. Each player's uniform must be marked with a permanently-affixed unique number that matches the uniform number on the Game Card, and may not exchange numbered jerseys with any other player (except goalkeeper) during the game.</p> <p>C. Garments may be worn under the uniform (i.e. long sleeves, etc.) during inclement weather, however the match referee will be the judge of what will be allowed.</p> <p>D. Jewelry, hard casts, hard metal or plastic clips on clothing or hair will not be allowed.</p> <p>E. Knee braces are permitted; provided the brace is adequately covered and padded (in the judgment of the referee), so as to eliminate the possibility of its causing injury to the other players on the field.</p>
22) PROTESTS	<p>A. Protests will be considered only for the following reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> An ineligible player has played. One or more registered player(s), present and in uniform, has not played the required one half of the game (except for illness or injury as recorded by the game referee). As may be itemized in the Tournament rules. <p>B. All protests must be presented to the Tournament Director within 1/2 hour of the completion of the game.</p> <p>C. All protests will be heard by the Tournament Director or tournament protest committee. Members of the Protest Committee will be unrelated to either team involved in the protest. ALL PROTEST DECISIONS ARE FINAL!</p> <p>D. Referee judgment calls are FINAL and are not grounds for nor subject to protest or dispute!</p>
23) RULES INTERPRETATION	The Tournament Director retains the right to interpret and apply the tournament rules to the optimum benefit of all tournament participants.

OPTIONAL RULES THAT YOU MIGHT WANT TO CONSIDER

6) PLAYERS/TEAMS	<p>H. Only e-AYSO roster will be accepted</p> <p>I. Players may play up a division (except no U8 players may participate in the tournament), but they may not play down a division. If players played up a division at the request of the region, in the primary season (e.g. high school players) they should not be required to play up in the secondary season.</p> <p>J. For identification purposes, each player must have a laminated identification card with name, picture, AYSO ID# and the signature of their Regional Commissioner. These ID cards must be presented for inspection at check-in time or upon request by any tournament official or match referee.</p> <p>K. <Insert rules for non-AYSO teams here></p>
7) COACHES	<p>B. Each Coach will be issued a Coaches Badge. The Coaches must wear these Badges on the lanyard provided by the tournament at all times when they are coaching during their team's games, and must present them upon request to any tournament or match official.</p>
8) REFEREES	<p>I. For participants who wish to provide some observations (positive and constructive) regarding one of the referees in the tournament, there will be feedback forms for this purpose at the Information Booth. The information on these forms will not be used to overturn a referee's ruling or the outcome of a game, but will be used as an opportunity to provide further education.</p> <p>J. AYSO PRO youth referees are appreciated at the tournament, as long as they are not players on a team in the tournament. Youth referees will be required to have a Youth Referee Form (provided by the tournament) on them at all times while officiating at the tournament, and present to any tournament official upon request. This form must be signed by the youth referee's Referee Administrator, and be accompanied by a copy of the youth referee's Youth Volunteer Registration form.</p> <p>K. <Insert rules for referees for non-AYSO teams here></p> <p>L. <Insert rules for non-AYSO referees here></p>
11) CHECK-IN	<p>E. Each player will be required to have a Laminated Player ID Card, which will include the player's name, AYSO ID# and a picture. The Player ID Card must be signed by the Regional Commissioner. These cards must be presented to the tournament official at Team Check-In, and be available for inspection prior to each game by the tournament Field Monitor.</p>
13) GAMES	<p>F. There will be a running clock during all pool play games. There will be no time added on for injuries or time wasted during substitutions. Each coach is urged to have their team ready at the start of each half and to conduct substitutions in as expedient a manner as possible.</p> <p>G. A horn will be sounded when it is time to end each game. The horn will not stop the game, but will indicate to the referee that it is time to stop the game as soon as the ball is in neutral territory (2-5 seconds).</p>
14) SUBSTITUTIONS	<p>D. Substitutions in U-16/U-19 will be free substitution according to the AYSO Experimental Program for U-16/U-19 Play. Playing time for each player will be recorded on a special time monitoring form by a tournament official. Substitutions will be allowed at a stoppage of play as allowed by the referee.</p> <p>E. Substitutions for all the remaining divisions will be approximately half way through the first half, half-time, and halfway through the second half.</p> <p>F. The Field Monitor will be responsible for recording substitutions.</p>
17) MEDAL ROUNDS	<p>B. At the discretion of the Tournament.</p>
18) AWARDS	<p>B. At the discretion of the Tournament.</p>
24) SPORTSMANSHIP COMPETITION	<p>A. At the discretion of the Tournament.</p>

AYSO SECTION 13 AREA D

TOURNAMENT RULES (addendum) for 2024 tournaments



Our goal is to have kids play in an environment that is safe, fair, fun and family friendly as well as offers the opportunity for the kids to play at a more challenging level.

If Fall players play only in the Fall at Richland or any other AYSO program AND play at least 50% of the games in the membership year in which they are registered players, they are eligible to play on a tournament team.

Players should play 1st on the team for the region in which they are playing in the Spring. So, if a player plays in the Fall in Richland but the Spring in Greater Johnstown they should play on the Greater Johnstown team, unless there is a specific request by the parent of the player. This cannot be a coach request.

No more than 4 FALL ONLY players can play on a 14U team.

No more than 3 FALL ONLY players can play on a 10U, 12U or 16/19 U team.

Players must play in the division that they played during the core season. If someone played up during the core season they must play up in the tournament.

Players under the 10U age bracket are NOT eligible to play in tournament even if they played up during the core season. All players must have been born BEFORE December 31, 2015.

All players must be registered in the system by May 1, 2024 to be eligible to play in the tournaments. Rosters must be submitted to the Area Director for approval by May 7th, 2024 since the first tournament is June 1st, 2024 and the Tournament Director of 13-D- 567 needs to order shirts. Once determined eligible by the Area Director, unless a situation occurs in which the player is ineligible to play AYSO or a birth certificate/age issue is challenged, the rosters are determined to be valid and indisputable. Player eligibility will be determined as of May 15th. (50% of games, registered player, etc.) In the event that a player must be added or deleted from a roster after that date, AD must be notified to verify eligibility.

VOLUNTEERS:

All volunteers, especially coaches and referees, MUST be currently registered volunteers and have their Sterling background check, safe haven, concussion and Safe Sport completed. Background checks must be in date and GREEN (Youth referees will show as BLUE). These are requirements and not optional. Head coaches must have appropriate training. I know that most of the volunteers have already done this. Rosters cannot be official without these being completed. Regional Commissioner must sign rosters and agree these credentials are met. AD will also verify.

REFEREES:

If you don't bring a referee, you pay \$85 PER TEAM.

Referees must be registered and trained.

UNIFORMS:

AYSO has specific guidelines for uniforms. Variance request is available. The specs are listed here. T-shirts are allowed as are jerseys but with these guidelines <https://aysovolunteers.org/uniform-specs-variance-requests/>

There are some regions that are no longer AYSO regions that cannot wear AYSO uniforms and are not covered by AYSO insurance. If you are allowing non-AYSO teams to play there are additional steps that need to be completed to get the tournament approved as those players are not covered under AYSO rules.

PLAYERS NAMES CANNOT BE ON JERSEYS

OFFSIDE:

There WILL BE offside called in the 16/19U

INCIDENTS:

Any incidents that occur during tournaments must be reported to the Tournament Director, The Regional Commissioner and The Area Director.

Incident reports must be completed as directed https://wiki.ayso.org/wiki/Fill_Out_an_Incident_Report

Any issues NOT addressed in this document and that are challenged will be determined by the additional area rules that were set previously. This set of rules supersedes the previously set rules in the event that there is a conflict between these and the previously set are rules.

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Area Director 13-D

2024 RICHLAND SOCCER TOURNAMENT
16/19U – 7 V 7 RULES

1. F.I.F.A. outdoor rules will apply except as noted. **Offside will be enforced.**
2. **Goalkeepers may NOT punt or drop kick.** They may distribute the ball by throwing or playing it with their feet.
3. Kickoffs are indirect kicks.
4. All kicks are to be indirect, **except penalty kicks and corner kicks**, which will be direct.
5. When the goalie releases the ball it must be touched by another player on either team or the ground before it can cross the center line. Violation of this rule will be an indirect kick for the opposing team from the spot where the ball crossed the center line.