



## 2019 Plaza Sports Center Anniversary Tournament Rules

- Registration format:
  - Teams must be registered by: November 16th 2019
  - Price: \$250 per team
  - NO REFUNDS WILL BE GIVEN. Teams can register at Plaza Sports Center, before November 16th
- Competition Format:
  - Competitive categories:
  - 3v3: 2014 (¼ field)
  - 6v6: 2013 (½ field)
  - 8v8: 2012, 2011 (full field)
  - 7v7: 2010, 2009, 2008, 2007, 2006, 2005, 2004 (full field)
- Recreational categories:
  - 7v7: 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008, 2006 (full field)
  - Coaches must have a copy of each player's birth certificate or other valid identification.

Age chart:

Birth Year	Division
2014 (January 1, 2014 – December 31, 2014)	2014's
2013 (January 1, 2013 – December 31, 2013)	2013's
2012 (January 1, 2012 – December 31, 2012)	2012's
2011 (January 1, 2011 – December 31, 2011)	2011's
2010 (January 1, 2010 – December 31, 2010)	2010's
2009 (January 1, 2009 – December 31, 2009)	2009's
2008 (January 1, 2008 – December 31, 2008)	2008's
2007 (January 1, 2007 – December 31, 2007)	2007's
2006 (January 1, 2006 – December 31, 2006)	2006's
2004-2005 (January 1, 2004 – December 31, 2005)	2004's & 2005's
2002-2003 (January 1, 2002 – December 31, 2003)	2002's & 2003's

- Number of Players and substitution:
  - Maximum roster size of 15 players
  - No roster substitutions will be allowed at any time during the tournament
  - Players must get referee permission before making substitution
- Duration of Game:
  - Two 20 - 25 minute halves
  - Games will start at assigned time



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- 5 minute half time, duration of the halftime may be adjusted by the referee at any time
- Clock runs at all times
- Each team is responsible for bringing their own soccer ball. Size of ball to be determined by age groups. 2014 #3, 2008-2013 #4, 2004-2007 #5.
- **Default**
  - A team can win by default if the rival team does not show up or if less than half of the team is present. Ex: on a 7v7 game, if less than 4 players show up, team losses by default. On a 3v3 game, if less than 2 players show up, team losses by default.
  - Winning team must be present on field in order to qualify. Team must not leave the field until ref has indicated they can
  - Winning team should not owe ref fee or registration fee before the start of the game
  - Winning team must wait until referee indicates the game is over
- **Violations**
  - There are no offsides
  - No slide tackling. Goalies are allowed to dive within the penalty box
  - No chewing gum
  - No cleats
  - Two yellow cards in one match will result in a red card
  - Refs have the right to remove any player via red card for continual disobedience or as a result of an incident that warrants sending the player off
  - If the player that received the red card was in the field of play, the team must continue to play with one fewer player
- **Time/Day changes:**
  - No changes to the game schedule will be allowed. Game schedules will always be posted on our website: [www.plazasportscenter.com](http://www.plazasportscenter.com)
  - Tournament management can change a game time or day to a future one than what was scheduled. However, the only way for management to move a game up (earlier than scheduled) is if the tournament director has spoken to both team captains and both have agreed to meet on that new time and day. If one of the teams cannot commit to that requested earlier time, the game cannot be changed.
- **Determination of winners**
  - The first round consists of a round robin format. Teams are not guaranteed a certain number of matches
  - There is no overtime



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- Standings in a group will be determined by game points as follows:
- Three (3) points for a win
- One (1) point for a tie
- Zero (0) points for a loss
- Should there be a tie on standings, the manner in which teams will advance will be resolved as follows and in the order indicated
  - Total goal differential.
  - Head-to-head results.
  - Number of goals scored.
  - Number of goals allowed.
  - If all these are tied: flip a coin method will be used
- **PROTESTING**
  - All referee judgment calls including but not limited to fouls, awarded penalty kicks, cards and goals are final and are not grounds for any protest
  - Disputes of a matches will ONLY be considered if an opposing player is alleged to be ineligible for that game. No other results and/or situations are grounds for protest
  - Protests must be presented in writing to the registration staff no later than fifteen (15) minutes after the end of the match in question by the coach of the protesting team for the first two (2) round robin matches. For the third round robin match or a match in the knockout round, protests must be made in advance of the halftime whistle. No protests under any circumstances will be accepted after this point. A \$60 fee will accompany any submitted protest. Video is not an acceptable form of evidence for any protest. The Tournament Committee will make a decision within thirty (30) minutes of the protest form being submitted. No protest will be heard until the fee is paid and the appropriate paperwork is completed. If the Tournament Committee rules in favor of the submitting party, the protest fee will be returned. All decisions made by Plaza Sports Center are final and not subject to appeal.

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