

## **Player Eligibility**

All players must be registered with FYSA as Recreational for the current seasonal year. No Players may be registered as competitive with any organization. Players must be on an eligible team's official FYSA roster and have a current FYSA player pass with photo, player passes must be laminated.

## **Game Schedules**

Game change requests where both coaches agree, made more than 14 days in advance of the game date and entered in Got Soccer, will be approved. Where there is a disagreement of the requested change of scheduling of the game, or a failure to respond, the game will be played as scheduled. It is the responsibility of the coach who wants to change the date of the game to have the home team make the request and have the away team log in and agree. No game will be left unscheduled; teams cannot decide to indefinitely postpone a game.

## **Forfeits**

If a forfeit occurs for failure to appear or non-compliance, then a fine of \$50.00 will be imposed upon the team and/or club. Teams with outstanding debts are ineligible to play. Any game that is forfeited will not be eligible to be rescheduled. The fine must be paid before the fined team's next game or within 7 days, whichever shall occur last. Any team who forfeits less than 7 days before game date will pay a \$50.00 fee plus the referee fees.

## **Roster Freeze**

Rosters will be frozen no later than October 31<sup>st</sup>. Only players on the roster at the time of the roster freeze will be eligible to participate in the county cup.

## **Disciplinary Action**

The SWFL Rec Soccer Disciplinary Director is responsible for adjudicating game protests and misconduct reports relating to SWFLRS administered leagues. (i.e. player red/yellow cards, team official dismissal, team spectator misconduct)

The Director will also review other reports of misconduct by any members (i.e. player, coach or person who can be identified as having an affiliation with a team), any of whose actions have not adhered to the letter and spirit of the Laws of the Game, as well as administrative rules, procedures and guidelines that bind the behavior of the members. These include the Laws, Rules, Procedures and Guidelines of SWFLRC, FYSA, USYSA, USSF and FIFA.

Penalties for infractions of the rules are in accordance with the FYSA sections 500, 502, 503 and 400 of the FYSA Administrative Rulebook.

**RIGHT OF APPEAL:** A person may appeal a suspension by sending written notification within 48 hours of receipt of a Determination Letter. All appeals are to be submitted to SWFLRS.

*NOTE: Submitting an appeal does not stay a suspension of game(s).*

**MISCONDUCT REPORTS ISSUED FOR REFEREE ASSAULT OR ABUSE:** When any amateur or professional player, coach, manager, club official or game official assaults or abuses a referee, the original jurisdiction to adjudicate the matter shall vest immediately with SWFLRS and when deemed necessary with FYSA. When an allegation of assault is verified by SWFLRS, the person is automatically suspended until a hearing on the assault can be called.

Specific duties and/or restriction Disciplinary Action Director:

- Appoint or serve as Head Referee
- Receive referee reports for severe infractions
- Allowed to take a disciplinary action upon receipt of referee report pending a review by the committee members. Committee will consist of at a minimum 3 members of which one member will be a certified referee and the other two members must be from different clubs. All 3 members must be from a club not involved in the incident.

The Member Clubs shall recognize the Southwest Florida Recreational Soccer Club as their governing body, they shall:

- Adhere to Association by-laws, rules and regulations and to the Laws of the Game (USU soccer rules)
- Participate in SWFLRS annual registration
- Provide fees where necessary
- Each member club shall be obligated to pay a specified per team fee to the Association to cover projected operating expenses
- Submit on line copies of complete and final team rosters to the Board of Directors on an annual basis

### **Rules of Conduct**

- Coaches, players and parents shall follow FYSA and USY Soccer Code of Ethics
- All Disciplinary Rulings and Punishments shall follow FYSA Guidelines
- The Game Rules mirror FYSA's Rules of Play

- All players and coaches must be properly registered with FYSA
- All players must be registered as a recreational player and may not be dual rostered on a competitive team regardless of if that team is registered with FYSA or another organization

### **Team Registration Requirements**

- All member clubs that participate with SWFLRS in a one or two-year age league are committed to ensure that 100% of any age appropriate registered players will play for and represent their member Club. Teams within SWFLRS will be gender specific teams.
- Under the guidelines of SWFLRS a member Club is not permitted, under any circumstances, to have in-house teams playing in the same age groupings or playing in odd single year age groupings as those registered and participating in SWFLRS. For example: if a SWFLRS member Club has a team(s) in the U12 age group, the member Club cannot have a U11 or U12 in-house or co-ed in house U11 or U12 team.