



# 2017 Great Lakes College Showcase

## RULES and REGULATIONS

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### ***SANCTION AND AFFILIATION***

The Great Lakes College Showcase is sanctioned by US Club Soccer, an affiliate member of the United States Soccer Federation (USSF). US Club Soccer does not require travel permits but all non-US Club Soccer teams must satisfy their own state travel obligations.

### ***TOURNAMENT ELIGIBILITY***

US, Canadian and International Competitive Club teams, State/Provincial Select Teams, Tournament Select Teams and ODP Teams who are registered and in good standing with their official governing body (USSF or CSA affiliates) will be considered for application to all of our events.

### ***U15 THRU U18 COMPETITION***

Open to all USSF, CSA and International affiliated teams. Sanctioning granted by US Club Soccer which allows competitive competition for all age groups.

### ***NUMBER OF PLAYERS/FORMATS OFFERED***

U15 and up - 11v11 (10+keeper)- Premier and Division 1

Tournament officials reserve the right to combine flights and/or age groups should the number of teams entered require such action.



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### **AGE REQUIREMENTS**

In order to play in a given age category, you must meet the following requirements:

U-15 or 2002	(born between 01/01/02 and 12/31/02)	11v11
U-16 or 2001	(born between 01/01/01 and 12/31/01)	11v11
U-17 or 2000	(born between 01/01/00 and 12/31/00)	11v11
U-18 or 1999	(born between 01/01/99 and 12/31/99)	11v11

### **ROSTER SIZE**

All age groups – maximum roster size as allowed by your governing organization. Younger players are allowed to play up an age group as an individual or as an entire team. A player may play for more than one team, providing that the teams are not in the same division.

Player(s) must be listed on all team rosters participating on.

No limit on guest players. Guest players may be any player that is:

- a. Age eligible
- b. Is currently affiliated with USSF or CSA and not on your current roster.

**Guest player pass card must be issued by same organization as your official team roster.**



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### **TEAM CHECK-IN AND REGISTRATION**

Each team is required to submit one copy of an official approved roster. Validated team player passes are required for each player and coach. Canadian and International teams will be required to provide the equivalent. A medical liability/waiver form for each player and guest player that is on the official tournament roster must be provided. If your governing organization requires guest player/loan forms or permission to travel/permission to participate, these forms must be presented as well.

***In compliance with Ohio HB 143 of the 129<sup>th</sup> General Assembly:***

***All teams are required to submit a copy of certificate of completion of online concussion course for ALL adults (coach, manager, team parent(s) who will be present on players sideline during all tournament matches.***

*Three online training courses have been approved by the Ohio Department of Health:*

*National Federation of High School Association (NFHS) Concussion In Sports*

<http://www.nfhslearn.com/electiveDetail.aspx?courseID=38000>

*National Alliance for Youth Sports (NAYS) Concussion Training*

<http://www.nays.org/additional-training/preview/concussion-training.cfm>

*Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Heads Up Concussion in Youth Sports Training*

[http://www.cdc.gov/concussion/HeadsUp/online\\_training.html](http://www.cdc.gov/concussion/HeadsUp/online_training.html)

*These are the ONLY concussion training courses that are accepted by ODH and CASA Tournaments. Certificate of completion must be issued by NFHS, NAYS or CDC. Copies of certificate are to be submitted to tournament officials at team registration/check in.*

International teams need not present proof of entry or passports.

Registration will take place one hour before their first game.

All game times are subject to change, at the discretion of the tournament committee.



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### **GAME PROCEDURES**

Age Group	Length of Game	Ball Size
U15 and Up (11v11)	Two 40 minute halves	5

Each team will play 1 game Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

The first team listed on the schedule will be the home team.

There could be exceptions, but as a general rule, teams will be on the same side of the field with the home team on the North/East side and the visiting team on the South/West side.

The home team must have an alternate jersey and be prepared to change if, in the opinion of the referee, there is a color conflict.

The home team must supply the game ball.

Teams should warm up in an adjoining area by the field and should be prepared to start their game on time.

No warm up on the field.

The minimum number of players necessary to start game: 11v11 is 7 (6+keeper),

### **SHOWCASE FORMAT**

Each team will play 1 game Friday, Saturday and Sunday. This event is for showcase purposes only therefore there will not be a champion determined.

The Tournament officials reserve the right to combine age brackets/flights/formats should the number of teams participating warrant such a move.

Each team will play three (3) games.



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### **FIFA RULES APPLY TO ALL AGES AND FORMATS WITH THE FOLLOWING EXCEPTIONS:**

#### Substitutions

- 1) Substitutes are to enter the game at the centerline on the bench side of the field.
- 2) Teams in all age groups are allowed unlimited substitutions.
- 3) Substitutions may take place for both teams at the following times provided that permission is granted by the referee:
  - a) on a goal kick
  - b) after a goal is scored
  - c) on an injury, when the referee has stopped play
  - d) at half time and the start of any overtime period (in the playoffs)
  - e) after a caution is issued
  - f) on a throw in -- If the team in possession of the ball is permitted to substitute, the other team is allowed to also substitute provided the player was already at the center line ready to enter the field

#### **EJECTIONS**

If, for any reason, a player or coach get ejected from any game (receiving one [1] red card or two [2] yellow cards) the same player or coach will lose his/her eligibility to further participate in this game. In addition, they will lose the right to participate in the next scheduled game. Furthermore, they may lose the right for further participation in the entire tournament depending on the gravity of the offense. The tournament disciplinary committee's decision is FINAL. Foul and abusive language is cause for ejection.

#### **PROTESTS**

No protests will be heard. **All decisions by the Tournament Directors Committee are final.**



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### **WEATHER PROVISIONS**

Games called off in the first half, by the referee or Tournament Director, because of weather conditions, will be decided as follows:

- a) The team up by two goals or more shall be awarded a win.
- b) Score difference of one goal or less will be recorded as a tie.

Games called off during the second half are confirmed complete and will be scored according to the score at the time the game is called off.

**Under no circumstances whatsoever will the Tournament Committee, or hosting organization, be responsible to any expenses incurred by any team. This includes a situation where tournament or any game(s) is (are) cancelled in whole or in part.**

FIFA rules will apply to all games, conditions, and situations unless otherwise specified within these tournament rules.

### **ILLEGAL ACTIVITY**

- 1) Any player or spectator found using any illegal drugs on premises will be expelled from the tournament.
- 2) Any player who destroys or steals property will be expelled from the tournament.
- 3) No firearms on premises

### **REFUND POLICY**

If weather conditions or the state of the fields make it impossible to carry out the tournament to its full extent, it is up to the organizers to make the necessary decisions concerning the arrangement or cancellation of games for any reason. In the case games are cancelled, please refer to the following policy:

Play No Games: Full Refund of Tournament Fees

Play 1 Game: 50% Credit

Play 2 Games: 25% Credit

### **REFEREES**

This tournament will use certified officials for all matches (USSF Rule 3040).



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### ***BLOOD RULE***

Any player who is bleeding and/or has blood on any part of the uniform will be sent off the field by the referee. A substitution can be made. The player sent off may return once the bleeding is stopped and/or bandaged. The affected uniform must be cleaned before the player may re-enter the game.

### ***SPECTATORS***

Coaches and players will be required to stand on the same side of the field during competition – limited to three coaches/managers per team. Spectators will be required to remain on the opposite side of the field.

### ***NO PETS ARE ALLOWED.***