

BAYERN CUP

TOURNAMENT RULES

I. LAWS OF THE GAME

All matches shall be played in accordance with The Laws of the Game observed by Illinois Youth Soccer Association (IYSA), US Youth Soccer Association (USYSA) and FIFA with the exceptions noted below.

II. ELIGIBILITY

The tournament is open to presently registered USYSA league or association teams composed of no more than 14 players for U9 to U10, 16 players for U11 & U12, 18 players U13 & U14 and 22 players for U15 to U18, but only 18 can dress to play each game. All teams must be currently registered with the USYSA through their state association.

No player shall be allowed to register with more than one team or switch to another team during the tournament.

Each player must be registered with the IYSA or USYSA. Players not registered with the IYSA or USYSA must obtain a Tournament Player Pass from the IYSA.

For any teams outside the State of Illinois a completed and approved Travel Permission forms must be provided.

No guest players will be permitted without a completed IYSA Guest Player form. The guest players coach must sign the Guest Players form. Additionally, IYSA approval is required for guest players from out-of-state not currently registered with the IYSA. Guest players may be added to the official league or association roster as follows:

*** Five guest players maximum for U9 through U18 teams**

III. REGISTRATION/CHECK-IN

Head coaches must present the following items at the registration tent at least one hour and 30 minutes prior to their first match.

- * Current IYSA/USYSA player and coach passes. Passes will be checked and returned immediately.
- * An IYSA or USYSA Tournament player passes. Passes will be checked and returned immediately.
- * Copies of completed IYSA Emergency Medical Release and Liability Waiver forms for each player. *Other medical release forms which do not meet IYSA standards will not be accepted.*

Copies will be returned.

- * A copy of your State Association Roster. **Copies will not be returned**
- * Completed Tournament Team Roster and Liability Release. Original will not be returned.
- * Travel Permission form for out-of-state teams, if applicable. Original will not be returned.
- * Tournament Players Passes, if applicable.

Any team from out of state must email a copy of their Travel Application prior to the tournament.

Head coaches must present current IYSA/USYSA player passes to the Field Marshall prior to each match and have the completed IYSA Emergency Medical Release and Liability Waiver forms with him/her during each match.

IV. AGE

The ages will be determined on birthdays as of January 1st the year of the tournament. For example, for the 2018 tournament players born on or after January 1, 2002 are considered as U16.

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V. SUBSTITUTIONS

Unlimited substitutions are permitted. Substitutions must be made at the midfield line. For U-9 to U-12, substitution is on the fly. That means all subs must be at the center line and the players must exchange a high five before the new player can take the field, the high five should be within 2 yards of the touch line. *** For the U-13 & 14 ages you can substitute when your opponent has a throw in and is substituting, along with the normal substitution, as follows:

- * After a goal by either team
 - * Before any goal kick
 - * Before a throw-in by the possession team
 - * At the beginning of any period.
 - * After an injury and if the injured player is substituted, the opposing team can also substitute one player.
- Injury substitution does not apply to goalkeepers.***

VI. MATCH FORMAT/DURATION OF MATCHES

For all age groups shall be played as follows:

- * All matches to have a continuous clock.
- * In most cases, we have two divisions for each age group. They are as follows: RED - Top Division, WHITE - 2nd division.

Age Division	Periods	Break
U9 - U10	Two 25-min	3 minutes
U11 - U12	Two 30-min.	3 minutes
U13 - U18	Two 30-min.	3 minutes

- * **Ball size:** U9-U12 - SIZE #4 U13-U18 - SIZE #5
- * **Team size:** U9 to U10 play 7 v 7, U11 & 12 play 9 v 9 , U13 to U18 play 11 v 11

- * All corner kicks shall be taken from the corner flags. No "short corners."

Both teams will occupy the same side of the field. All spectators will be opposite the players.

VII. SCORING, TIE-BREAKER AND PLAYOFF PROCEDURES

The following procedures will determine the winner in each age group:

U9: The results of games in this age group will only be reported as Wins, Losses or Ties. No points or scores will be posted or awarded. All teams will play three games, with no championship game. Games ending in a tie will end in a tie. No "shoot outs" will occur at this age level.

U10-U19: Points will be awarded in the preliminary matches as follows:

- 6 points for a win, 3 points for a tie, 0 points for a loss
- 1 point for every goal scored up to 3
- 1 bonus point for shut-out (not including 0-0 ties)
- **Maximum points earned per game: 10**

*Any team winning by forfeit will have a 1-0 victory recorded which will give the team 8 points, but unless every team in the bracket gets the full forfeit points, the tournament committee will determine which teams will advance.

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In case of a tie, the tie breaker system will be as follows:

1. Points earned
2. Winner of head-to-head game
3. Least goals allowed
4. Goal differential
5. Penalty kicks "shoot-out"

If a playoff or championship match ends in a tie, overtime will be played. The winner will be decided by:

- 1) Two-five (5) minute overtime periods with the teams changing ends after the first period. No half time will be allowed.
- 2) If the game is still tied at the end of the second overtime period. Each team must designate five players to take alternating shots on goal against the opposing goalkeepers. The team with the most goals after five shots have been taken by each team is the winner. The shots will be taken from the penalty mark.
- 3) If the score is still tied at the end of the first "shoot-out," alternate penalty kicks will be taken by the remaining players until the tie is broken. All players on the field must kick before any player may kick a second time.

* Only those players on the field at the end of regulation time period are eligible to take penalty kicks during the "shoot-out" until all the players on the field have shot.

VIII. FORFEITS

No team that has forfeited a match will be declared as a wildcard or division winner. The team winning by forfeit will receive 3 points and the score will be posted as 1-0.

A forfeit will be declared if:

Five minutes after the scheduled match time, or after the preceding match, whichever is later, if a team cannot field a minimum of five players (U9-U12) or seven players (U13-U18), or if a team cannot complete a match. If a team leaves the field during play, the match will be forfeited and that team will be disqualified from the tournament. All subsequent matches scheduled with the disqualified team will result in a forfeit.

IX. DISCIPLINE FOR MISCONDUCT

Head coaches are responsible for the conduct of his/her players, parents, spectators and assistant coaches.

No noise makers will be allowed at the tournament. It is inappropriate to use matracas, horns, drums, fireworks and any other loud noise maker. We are not discouraging the celebration of a goal, a great save or win, but we ask that it be done with appropriate clapping and whistle noises. Please remember this event is the youth of our communities. All noise makers will be confiscated and returned at the conclusion of the tournament.

Any player or coach receiving a red card ejection shall be suspended for the duration of the current match and from the next tournament match. No substitution will be permitted for an ejected player during the current match. Players and coaches cards will be held by the Tournament Committee. These cards may be picked up by the head coach, only after the suspension has been served.

Violence, severe un-sportsmanship behavior and flagrant fouls may result in further action by the Tournament Committee as well as be reported to your state association.

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X. PROTESTS

Must be presented in writing to the Tournament Committee headquarters within one hour of completion of match and must be accompanied by a \$100 cash bond. Coaches wishing to file a protest shall notify the referee of this intention as soon as possible, but not later than five minutes after the conclusion of the match in question. The Tournament Committee's decision will be final on any protest and the cash bond will be returned only if the protest is upheld.

XI. PLAYER UNIFORMS AND EQUIPMENT

A player's uniform must consist of jersey with a number on the back of each jersey unique to that player, shorts, socks, shin guards, and appropriate footwear. Cutoffs will not be allowed under or in lieu of uniform shorts. Slider or compression shorts will be permitted under uniform shorts. Socks must be pulled up over the shin guards and jerseys must be tucked into their shorts at all times during tournament matches. In the event of a color conflict, the designated home team will change color.

Goalkeepers shall wear colors which distinguish them from players on both teams and the referee. Normal everyday "eyeglasses" are not permitted. Safety type sports goggles are permitted. Caps for goalkeepers with hard bills are not permitted. No jewelry of any kind, including "braided" string necklaces or bracelets, earrings and/or "studs" for pierced ears or hard barrettes are permitted. Taping of pierced earrings or "studs" is not permitted.

XII. REPORTING

The Head Coach or team representative must check in at the Registration Tent at least 1.5 hours prior to his/her team's first scheduled match. (See III REGISTRATION AND CHECK-IN.)

All teams are to report to the Field Marshall at the designated field 30 minutes prior to each scheduled match time. Player passes and equipment will be checked at that time.

XIII. AWARDS

All awards (U10-U18) will be presented at the Awards Tent immediately after the conclusion of each Championship match.

1. Individual "1st Place" awards for all champions at each age group (U10-U18) for all players.
2. Individual "2nd Place" awards for all runners up at each age group (U10-U18) for all players.

All participation awards (U9) will be presented at the Awards Tent immediately after the conclusion of each team's last match.

XIV. GENERAL

The Tournament Committees interpretation of the foregoing rules and regulations shall be final. The Tournament Committee reserves the right to decide on all matters pertaining to the tournament, including but not necessarily limited to shortening, altering or eliminating non-essential games in the case of inclement weather.

If a match is suspended due to weather problems, field conditions, or other situations beyond the tournament's control, after completion of the first half, that match shall be considered complete and official.

If a match is temporarily suspended for any of the foregoing reasons before completion of the first half, each team involved must check with tournament headquarters for instructions.

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XV. REFUNDS

The Bayern Cup guarantees each team that participates in our Tournament a three game minimum. If the tournament is canceled or shortened by Fox Valley Bayern Soccer Club a refund will be given to each team. That refund will equal 1/3 of their payment for each game not played less 20% of the total entry fee. We do reserve the right to shorten the games if weather is the cause. The tournament does have the right to reschedule games due to bad weather up to and including the following weekend. If a team chooses not to participate they might not be given any refund. If a team cancels after a team is accepted into the Tournament, there will be no refund. If the reason a game is not played is due to forfeit, we will attempt to reschedule the game, but the game will be a forfeit as stated in rules VIII. We will not give any team which forfeits a game a refund.

