

FCASL
Rules/General Information
July 8 - August 16, 2014

REGISTRATION PROCESS

If you wish to participate in the 2014 FCASL, complete the registration on GOT SOCCER.

1. The Got Soccer player registration application MUST BE completed by June 30, 2014.
2. FCASL is eligible to all players at least 18 years of age as of June 1, 2014.
3. Credit and debit card payments for registration may be made directly on the GOT SOCCER site during registration.
4. Please make all checks payable to: FCYSC.
5. Mail checks to: FCYSC
PO Box 365
Gibson City, Illinois 60936
6. Registrations without fee will not be accepted until payment received.
7. Fees must be paid in full by 3:00pm on July 8, 2014 or the applicable player/players will not be permitted to play until payment in full is received by FCYSC.

GUEST PLAYERS

Guest players are permitted in the regular season. Guest players are PROHIBITED from post-season play.

1. A fee of \$10.00 per game must be paid to the referee for each guest player.
2. A guest player may only play a maximum of 2 games per season.
3. A guest player may only play additional matches after using there 2 guest games by registering as a player with the team and paying the registration fee of \$50.00. Fees paid for guest game may not be applied to the full registration fee.
4. Guest players are required to abide by the rules set forth by FCASL.
5. Guest players must wear the appropriate equipment.

GAME DURATION AND PLAY

Games will consist of two, 30 minute halves using a size 5 ball. Games played on the high school/U14 field (Field 1) will be 9v9. Games played on the U11 field (Field 2) will be 8v8.

GAME PROCEDURES

1. All spectators are required to sit on one side of the field opposite the players. No spectators are permitted along the goal sides.
2. Each team will be checked in by the officials against the roster provided by FCASL showing approved/paid players
3. Players not on the roster or that have already used their two game guest player option will not be permitted to participate unless the full registration fee and medical release is completed and turned into the officials subject to referee approval.
4. Each team must designate at least one captain to participate in the coin toss.
5. The coin toss is called by the team listed as visitors. The winner of the toss chooses the goal they wish to defend in the first half of play.
6. Teams should be prepared to provide a "club linesman" if necessary.
7. Offsides rule will be enforced.
8. Home team is responsible for providing a game ball.

REGULAR SEASON SCORING/TIE BREAKING

Games in the regular season will be scored as follows: Win – 3 Points, Draw – 1 Point, Loss - 0 Point

In the event of a tie in deciding post-season seeding, the following criteria will be used to break the tie:

1. Goal differential
2. Fewest goals allowed
3. Most goals scored

In the event 3 teams are tied, the tie-breakers will be applied until one team is eliminated. The process will then go back to the first tie-breaker and apply the rules again with the two remaining teams in sequence until a winner can be determined.

OVERTIME PERIODS

During regular season matches, no overtime will be played. In the event of a tie in semi-final, third place and championship games, the following will occur:

1. Teams will play two 5 minute overtime periods using Golden Goal format.
2. If still tied after overtime periods, teams will designate five players to take alternate penalty kicks: the best of five is the winner. Only those players on the field of play at the end of the second overtime period are eligible to take penalty kicks.
3. If teams are still tied after 5 kicks, the remaining players will take alternate penalty kicks in sudden death fashion to determine a winner.

EQUIPMENT

1. Casts are permitted with proper padding.
2. No jewelry may be worn by any player (earrings, watches, necklaces, etc.). Tape over jewelry will NOT be allowed.
3. Shin guards fully covered by socks must be worn by all players at all times.
4. Cleats are recommended but not required. If cleats are worn, they must not have a toe cleat. Metal cleats are not permitted.
5. All players must have an individual number on their jersey, no duplicate numbers.
6. Goalkeepers must have a jersey or penny that is easily distinguishable from the uniform colors of each team.
7. In case of a jersey color conflict, the designated home team will be required to wear pennies.
8. All players' equipment is subject to referee approval.

FORFEITS

1. Seven players constitute a team for the high school/U14 field (Field 1) and six players for the U11 field (Field 2). Games will commence on time if the minimum numbers of players are present. A forfeit shall be awarded if a team is not present and prepared to play within five minutes of the scheduled start time.
2. In the event of a forfeit, the winning team will be awarded a 5-0 win.

SUBSTITUTIONS

Substitutions shall be unlimited, but made only at the following times:

1. Goal Kick – both teams.
2. After a goal – both teams.
3. Half time – both teams.
4. At the beginning of an overtime period – both teams.
5. Throw – in, both teams may sub if the team in possession of the throw is subbing.
6. An injured player may be substituted for at the discretion of referee. If a substitution is made for the injured player, the opposing team may also make a “one-for-one” substitution.

PROTESTS

1. All referee decisions are final. No protests will be heard on any judgment calls by the referee.
2. All protests must be written to the FCYSC Board of Directors

EJECTIONS

1. A player, who receives a red card, will receive a minimum of a one game suspension. The FCYSC Board of Directors can increase that suspension if warranted.
2. No substitution can be made for a disqualified player for that game.

DISCLAIMER

The FCYSC Board of Directors reserves the right to:

1. Reschedule, relocate, or terminate games due to weather conditions. If half of the game has been played before termination for weather conditions or referee decision, the game stands as a completed match and is scored accordingly. NOTE: the referee may suspend a game without necessarily being terminated.
2. Reduce duration of the game.
3. Suspend, without recourse or appeal, any players or spectators who do not abide with the rules as set out above and for not fostering good sportsmanship

IMPORTANT DATES

1. Registration deadline June 30, 2014
2. Payment deadline July 8, 2014 @ 3:00pm
3. Schedules for regular season posted on Got Soccer July 5, 2014
4. First games of regular season July 8, 2014
5. End of regular season August 9, 2014
6. Schedules for post season distributed to teams August 10, 2014
7. First games of post season August 12, 2014
8. Final games of post season August 16, 2014