

**November 26-28, 2010**  
**Menard Memorial Sports Complex**

**TOURNAMENT ADMINISTRATION**

1. This tournament is sanctioned by US Club Soccer, and is covered by US Club's Tournament Only insurance. Your registration fee covers your team's insurance regardless of your affiliation with US Club. All players must have signed medical/liability release forms. MSC does not need a copy of the medical/liability release forms, but we will need to see your copy of them, so be sure to bring them. Player passes are not needed. Please bring at least four copies of your roster with you, and present them at tournament check-in 30 minutes before your first game. MSC will keep one copy, and the referees must be presented with a roster prior to the start of each game. Additions to rosters can be made until the team has checked in.
2. Format – The U-11 division will play 7 v. 7, U-13 will play 6 v. 6, and U15+ will play 5 v. 5.
3. Matches – All matches will consist of two 25-minute halves. Preliminary matches will be scored as follows:
  - a. 6 points for a win
  - b. 3 points for a draw
  - c. 0 points for a loss
  - d. 1 point for each goal scored, up to three goals (win, lose or draw)
  - e. 1 point for a shutout (including 0-0 draws)
  - f. -1 point for any red card or coach ejection

Maximum points per game for any one team is 10.

If teams are tied on point totals after preliminary matches, the following tiebreaker order will be utilized:

- a. Winner of head-to-head competition (does not apply if more than two teams are tied)
- b. Goal differential
- c. Fewest goals against
- d. Most goals scored
- e. Least-carded team
- f. Coin toss

In finals play, if the two teams are tied at the end of regulation, the match winner will be determined by kicks from the spot (FIFA rules apply).

4. Final Matches—Sunday matches will be changed depending on placement of traveling teams.

## RULES OF COMPETITION

1. Unless otherwise noted, FIFA rules apply.
2. The game clock will start at the top of each hour. Forfeit time is five minutes after the clock has been started. Willful forfeiture of a match will result in the team being ineligible for advancing to the finals.
3. A red-carded player (to include a player receiving two yellow cards) or ejected coach must leave the game and turf area of the sports complex. Red-carded players and ejected coaches may not play or coach in the team's next game. Players receiving a second red card in a following match will be suspended for the duration of the tournament.
4. The tournament director or his/her designee shall adjudicate all protest, disputes or abandoned games. The tournament director is empowered to issue appropriate penalties necessary to obtain compliance with the spirit and purpose of the tournament, up to and including disqualification of an offending team from further participation. The decision of the tournament director is final.
5. No protests involving the judgment call of a referee shall be considered.
6. Indoor modifications to FIFA rules:
  - a. Kickoffs may be taken in any direction.
  - b. There is no offside rule for this tournament, but rather a three-line rule. If the ball travels across the three lines from the defensive third to the attacking third in the air without contacting the turf or another player, the opposing team will be awarded an indirect free kick at the restart mark on the line closest to where the kick originated. This includes restarts from the defensive third.
  - c. If the ball hits the ceiling at any time during play, the team whose player last touched the ball will be penalized by surrendering an indirect free kick at the spot directly below the point where the ball made contact.
  - d. Substitutions may be made on the fly. If a team is found to have more than the maximum number of players on the field at any one time, a yellow card will be issued the offending player(s) entering the field. Referees must be notified before a goalkeeper change can be made.
  - e. Sliding by field players within playing distance of another player will not be allowed. Players and teams repeatedly disregarding this rule will be cautioned by the referee.
    - i. Exception – Goalkeepers may slide within the penalty area. However, if outside the area, goalkeepers are judged as any other field player, and may be cautioned for sliding.
  - f. Goalkeepers in the Girls and Boys U-11 divisions may drop-kick or punt the ball during live play. In all other divisions, goalkeepers may only distribute from the hands (throwing or rolling the ball to a teammate), or from a kick from the ground, provide the ball is rolling or stopped and not bouncing.
  - g. For direct free kicks (to include kickoffs and corners), indirect free kicks, and penalties, opposition players must remain 10 feet from the ball (not yards) until first contact is made.