



Brazosport Youth Soccer Association
Proposed Rule Change

Section I: ADD or Change a Rule

Is there currently a rule that applies? Yes

Rule Location: 4.1

Title of Section: 4. BYSA Fall Championship Play

Rule as it presently reads:

U6, U8 and U10 teams are formed to introduce new players to soccer and to develop player's soccer skills. ~~To encourage this attitude regular season standings will not be kept, and coaches will be encouraged to play/develop their weakest players.~~
End-of-season BYSA tournaments will be subsidized by BYSA for these age divisions. U-6, U-8, and U10 "fun" tournaments will give awards for participation only. No STYSA Eastern District playoffs are currently sanctioned for U-10 and younger teams, BYSA post season are for primary rostered teams (teams on which players played regular season games) only. No guest players are allowed for end of season fun tournaments.

Proposed Additions and/or Changes:

U6, U8 and U10 teams are formed to introduce new players to soccer and to develop player's soccer skills. ***Regular season standings will be kept only for the internal use in bracketing the following season of play,*** and therefore coaches will be encouraged to play/develop their weakest players. End-of-season BYSA tournaments will be subsidized by BYSA for these age divisions. U-6, U-8, and U10 "fun" tournaments will give awards for participation only. No STYSA Eastern District playoffs are currently sanctioned for U-10 and younger teams, BYSA post season are for primary rostered teams (teams on which players played regular season games) only. No guest players are allowed for end of season fun tournaments.

Section II – Justification for the proposed rule change:

Housekeeping rule change to state why standings are currently being kept by BYSA.

Submitted by: Amber Krenek

Club/Position: VP Rec.BYSA

Section III – Executive Committee Discussion

Executive Committee Recommends:

Comments:



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Section I: ADD or Change a Rule

Is there currently a rule that applies? Yes

Rule Location: 4.2

Title of Section: 4. BYSA Fall Chamionship Play

Rule as it presently reads:

Under 11 and Older (BYSA Championship format and Eastern District Seeding)

~~Tournaments including every team in the age division will be held to determine BYSA champions and STYSA Eastern District Championship seeding. This should encourage coaches to develop every player during the regular season. Format of this tournament should be determined at the Bracketing Meeting and must be turned in to the BYSA Secretary, and furnished to each coach in the division, in writing, before the first scheduled game. If no format is received by this date, the following default format will be used.~~

Proposed Additions and/or Changes:

STYSA Eastern District Championship seeding for BYSA will be determined by the regular season's standings. If there should be two brackets found in an age group, the team from the top bracket with the highest standings will advance. This should encourage coaches to develop every play during the regular season. In order for a team to have the chance to advance to the STYSA Eastern District Championship the coach will need to submit a bracketing from to promote their team a spot in the top bracket.

Section II – Justification for the proposed rule change:

From my findings, BYSA is curenly the only organization that uses an end of season championship tournament to determine their seeding for the STYSA Eastern District Championship. In years past, the BYSA championship has fallen pray to incliment weather and relied on standings for seeding anyway.

Submitted by: Amber Krenek

Club/Position: VP Rec. BYSA

Section III – Executive Committee Discussion

Executive Committee Recommends:

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Rule Location: 4.2.1

Title of Section: Default Championship Format for U-11 and Older

Rule as it presently reads:



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Tournament format:

2-5 teams -round robin. (Regulation games)

Tournaments with more than one bracket shall consist of mini-games on Saturday with the regulation-length semi-final and final rounds on Sunday. The length of these mini-games shall be as follows:

- Under- 11/12 25 minute halves, unless otherwise specified by BYSA or designee
- Under- 13~16 30 minute halves,, unless otherwise specified by BYSA, or designee
- Under- 17~19 35 minute halves,, unless otherwise specified by BYSA or designee

Tournaments with only one bracket of more than five (5) teams shall consist entirely of mini-games of the length specified above.

6-8 teams:

1st round: (round robin in each bracket - mini games)

Bracket A	Bracket B
#1 seed	#2 seed
#4 seed	#3 seed
#5 seed	#6 seed
#8 seed	#7 seed

2nd round: (regulation games)

- Winner of Bracket A vs. runner-up of Bracket B and
- Runner-up of Bracket A vs. winner of Bracket B

Final round: (regulation games)

Winners of 2nd round for 1st and 2nd place

* Losers of 2nd round for 3rd and 4th place

(* this game is only played if needed for seeding the STYSA Eastern District Slots)

9-12 teams

1st round: (round robin in each bracket - mini games)

Bracket A	Bracket B	Bracket C
#1 seed	#2 seed	#3 seed
#6 seed	#5 seed	#4 seed
#7 seed	#8 seed	#9 seed
#12 seed	#11 seed	#10 seed



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2nd round: (regulation games)

Winner of Bracket B vs. winner of Bracket C

Winner of Bracket A vs. best of the remaining teams

Final round: (regulation games)

Winners of 2nd round for 1st and 2nd place

* Losers of 2nd round for 3rd and 4th place

(* this game is **only** played if needed for seeding the STYSA Eastern District Slots)

Scoring System for Round-robin play:

Win	6 points
Tie	3 points
loss	0 points
goals scored	1 point each (max. 3/game)
shutout	1 point
forfeit	9 points

Tiebreakers:

1. Head to head
2. Most wins
3. Goal differential
4. Fewest goals allowed
4. F.I.F.A. Penalty Kicks

Tie-breaking for championship games:

If a championship game ends in a tie, two overtime halves must be played with teams changing ends of the field between the halves. Length of each overtime half shall be as follows:

U-19 thru U-15 15 minutes

U-14 thru U-10 10 minutes

If the game is still tied after two overtime halves, F.I.F.A. penalty kick rules will be used to determine a winner.

STYSA Eastern District playoff slots in sub-divided Age-divisions will be awarded as available in the final order of standing within BYSA as determined above.

Proposed Additions and/or Changes:

Strike out entire rule.

Section II – Justification for the proposed rule change:



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Housekeeping, if proposed rule change 4.2 passes there will be no need for this rule.

Submitted by: Amber Krenek

Club/Position: VP Rec. BYSA

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Executive Committee Recommends:

Comments:



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Is there currently a rule that applies? Yes

Rule Location: 5.1

Title of Section: 5 Awards

Rule as it presently reads:

End of season, Fun Tournaments

~~No championship awards will be given in the Under 10, Under 8 and Under 6 Divisions.~~

Participation awards to all players may be given at Fun Tournaments if funds are available.

Proposed Additions and/or Changes:

Strike out the sentence stating: No championship awards will be given in the Under 10, Under 8 and Under 6 Divisions.

Section II – Justification for the proposed rule change:

Housekeeping, if proposed rule change 4.2 passes there will be no need for the above sentence.

Submitted by: Amber Krenk

Club/Position: VP Rec. BYSA

Section III – Executive Committee Discussion

Executive Committee Recommends:

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Section I: ADD or Change a Rule

Is there currently a rule that applies? Yes

Rule Location: 5.2

Title of Section: 5 Awards

Rule as it presently reads:

~~At the end of each Fall season BYSA will give individual awards to the BYSA Champion and Runner up in each age division.~~

Proposed Additions and/or Changes:

Strike entire rule.

Section II – Justification for the proposed rule change:

Housekeeping, if proposed rule change 4.2 passes.

Submitted by: Amber Krenk

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Is there currently a rule that applies? Yes

Rule Location: 5

Title of Section: Awards

Rule as it presently reads:

~~BYSA shall establish a maximum cost per player for Fall Championship awards each year and the amount required to cover those awards shall be included as a line item in the budget.~~

Proposed Additions and/or Changes:

Strike entire rule.

Section II – Justification for the proposed rule change:

Housekeeping, if proposed rule change 4.2 passes there will be no need for the above rule.

Submitted by: Amber Krenk

Club/Position: VP Rec BYSA

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Section I: ADD or Change a Rule

Is there currently a rule that applies? Yes

Rule Location: 6.4.2.2

Title of Section: 6.4. Sideline Procedures

Rule as it presently reads:

U11 and Older

Coaches/managers, trainers and substitutes shall be on the opposite side of the field directly across from their spectators. A maximum of four coaches/managers and/or trainers per team, each with a current Adult Participation Pass (KidSafe), are allowed in the team's technical area. Except as provided in 6.4.1.2, all coaches/managers, trainers, substitute players will remain in their team's technical area. Team spectators will remain behind the spectator line on their respective side of the field and shall come no closer to any portion of the playing field unless expressly directed to do so by the referee.

Proposed Additions and/or Changes:

U8 and Older

Coaches/managers, trainers and substitutes shall be on the opposite side of the field directly across from their spectators. A maximum of four coaches/managers and/or trainers per team, each with a current Adult Participation Pass (KidSafe), are allowed in the team's technical area. Except as provided in 6.4.1.2, all coaches/managers, trainers, substitute players will remain in their team's technical area. Team spectators will remain behind the spectator line on their respective side of the field and shall come no closer to any portion of the playing field unless expressly directed to do so by the referee.

Section II – Justification for the proposed rule change:

Competition is being earlier in children and parents alike. The players need to be seated with their coach ready to learn, observe and/or play and away from any possible aggressive out breaks between fans and/or parents.

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Club/Position: VP Rec. BYSA

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Section I: ADD or Change a Rule

Is there currently a rule that applies? Yes

Rule Location: 6.4.2

Title of Section: 6.4 Sideline Procedures

Rule as it presently reads:

Under 10 and younger

Coaches/managers, trainers, substitutes and spectators for a team shall occupy the opposite side of the field from the opposing team. Except as provided in 6.4.1.1, all coaches/managers, trainers, substitute players and spectators for a team will remain in their team's technical area on their respective side of the field and shall come no closer to any portion of the playing field unless expressly directed to do so by the referee

Proposed Additions and/or Changes:

Under 7 and younger

Coaches/managers, trainers, substitutes and spectators for a team shall occupy the opposite side of the field from the opposing team. Except as provided in 6.4.1.1, all coaches/managers, trainers, substitute players and spectators for a team will remain in their team's technical area on their respective side of the field and shall come no closer to any portion of the playing field unless expressly directed to do so by the referee

Section II – Justification for the proposed rule change:

Housekeeping, provided rule change 6.4.2.2 passes.

Submitted by: Amber Krenek

Club/Position: VP Rec. BYSA

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Executive Committee Recommends:

Comments:



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Section I: ADD or Change a Rule

Is there currently a rule that applies? Yes

Rule Location: 6.4.3.2

Title of Section: 6.4. Sideline Procedures

Rule as it presently reads:

The area marked on the side of the field in which all coaches/managers, trainers, substitute players and spectators for a team will remain during a competition.

~~U10 and younger~~ - the team technical area is the same as the spectator line

~~U11 and older~~ - the team technical area begins behind the spectator line and extends from a point even with top of the penalty area (the 18 yard line) to a point 5 yards shorter than the half way line.

Proposed Additions and/or Changes:

The area marked on the side of the field in which all coaches/managers, trainers, substitute players and spectators for a team will remain during a competition.

U7 and younger - the team technical area is the same as the spectator line

U8 and older - the team technical area begins behind the spectator line and extends from a point even with top of the penalty area (the 18 yard line) to a point 5 yards shorter than the half way line.

Section II – Justification for the proposed rule change:

Housekeeping, provided rule change 6.4.2.2 passes.

Submitted by: Amber Krenek

Club/Position: VP Rec. BYSA

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Executive Committee Recommends:

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Is there currently a rule that applies? Yes

Rule Location: 6.1.

Title of Section: Cancellation and/or Postponement of Scheduled Games

Rule as it presently reads:

If a regularly scheduled game has to be postponed or rescheduled, it must be cleared through the Scheduler. The game must be made up within fifteen days of the originally scheduled game. If not, the game situation will go before the BYSA Executive Board. The season cannot be extended to accommodate rescheduling.

Proposed Additions and/or Changes:

1. Game changes must be made at least one week prior to scheduled game.
2. Procedure for game changes:
 - a. Coach requesting game change shall contact opposing coach to agree upon a schedule change.
 - b. Coaches will notify the appropriate age group coordinator of requested change.
 - c. Age group coordinator will notify referee coordinator to find available ref.
 - d. Once all is agreed upon, the ref coordinator will contact the scheduler and the change will be made to the schedule.
3. Once change is made, the scheduler will notify the coaches and age group coordinators of the change.
4. There will be a one week grace period for rescheduling games once the season schedule is posted. After the grace period, there will be a \$5.00 fine for each game.

Section II – Justification for the proposed rule change:

This will make the process of schedule changes more fluid and there will be better communication throughout the league.

Submitted by: Dana Bush

Club/Position: Schedule/Scorekeeper

Section III – Executive Committee Discussion

Executive Committee Recommends:

Comments: