



Alberta Soccer Association

2010

**Indoor Provincial
Championship
Rules**

ALBERTA SOCCER ASSOCIATION 2010 Indoor Competition Rule Book

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Alberta Soccer Association – Code of Conduct

- 1) Members have an obligation not only to abide by the By-Laws and Rules and Regulations of the Association, but also to act in a manner that displays their commitment to the principles and intent of the By-Laws and Rules and Regulations.
- 2) All Members should expect to be treated fairly in all matters. Members shall not discriminate against other Members by means of different, unequal, or inconsistent treatment applied to individual members.
- 3) Individuals shall not provide the potential for, or the appearance of, an opportunity for benefit, wrongdoing, or inappropriate conduct. It is important to emphasize that conflict of interest relates to the potential for wrongdoing as well as actual or intended wrongdoing.
- 4) Information or data entrusted to Members for use in their capacity or position shall not be disclosed or used in a manner that may cause embarrassment to the Association, or that betrays a trust or confidence.
- 5) Members shall at all times exhibit behavior that maintains the Association's reputation and shall at no time harm or hinder the Association or its ability to represent the sport.
- 6) No Member shall harass another Member by actions that include, but are not limited to, unwelcome remarks, invitations, requests, gestures, or physical contact that, whether indirect or explicit, has the purpose or effect of humiliating, interfering with, or creating an intimidating situation for that other Member. Harassment shall be considered inappropriate behavior, be it ethnic, religious, or sexual in nature.
- 7) The interaction or involvement of Members under the jurisdiction of the Association shall not result in threats, intimidation, or inflicted physical distress between such Members, whether implied or explicit.

HOSTING GUIDELINES

FOR PROVINCIAL INDOOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

At all Provincial Championships hosting districts must identify a local contact person as a member of the Tournament Committee and such person shall be available and/or in attendance during the entire competition.

HOST RESPONSIBILITIES

Districts hosting Provincial Indoor Championships must provide:

- A minimum of two (2) Indoor fields;
- A minimum of one (1) Field Marshal for every two fields throughout the event;
- Change rooms, preferably with shower facilities where possible;
- Adequate crowd control measures;
- Emergency plan circulated and/or posted (ie. location of first aid area, nearest hospital/medi-centre, contact numbers, etc.) and on-site telephone for emergency calls;
- Results board
- Meeting room/Competition headquarters;
- Suitable space for medal presentations;
- Schedule two ASA registered & qualified referees per game; Referee schedule to be submitted to ASA for approval at least five days prior to the event;
- Referee-in-Chief and local referee scheduler to be in attendance at the start of the event and accessible throughout (must not also be scheduled to referee).
- Adequate accommodation available for teams.

PROVISIONAL RULES

- i. These Rules shall apply to all Indoor Provincial Competitions.
- ii. The ASA Competitions Committee is responsible for the management and control of all Provincial Competitions.
- iii. These Rules are subject to the ASA Bylaws & General Rules and Regulations; in any conflict, the ASA Bylaws & General Rules and Regulations takes precedence. However, the Competitions Committee may make rulings on circumstances not covered in this competition rule book and in the interests of fair play.
- iv. The Competitions Committee will be empowered to move any event to a location more suitable to the contesting teams or combine locations for certain age groups of the same level.
- v. The Competitions Committee shall appoint to each competition an ASA Representative who will act on behalf of and as an extension of the Competitions Committee. Decisions at the competition(s) on any matter not covered in these Rules shall be final.

2010 INDOOR PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

1. REGISTRATION OF TEAMS AND PLAYERS

- 1.1 All players and team officials must be duly registered within their district and in accordance with ASA General Rules and Regulations.
- 1.2 Registration Fees will follow the current ASA price list.
- 1.3 Players must be registered with the ASA seven (7) days before taking part in any Provincial Competition.

1.2 Provincial Declarations

- 1.2.1 Any district wishing to participate in the Indoor Provincials must advise the ASA, in writing, no later than December 1st, of the current year, listing by age level and tier the number of teams who will be competing.
- 1.2.2 The Declaration Fees for participating in the 2010 Indoor Provincial Championships will be in accordance with the current ASA price list. All fees must be paid by December 1st. A District will be assessed a \$250 administrative fee for late declarations and the Competitions Committee will determine whether they will be accepted or denied. There will be no refund of declaration fees for a team that withdraws prior to the competition.
- 1.2.3 In circumstances whereby the Competitions Committee does not have a full complement of teams, the Competitions Committee may invite teams from any district to participate in the Provincial Championships. Declaration fees for such teams will be assessed at fifty percent (50%) of the price.
- 1.2.4 In all Senior Indoor Provincial Championships, except for the Challenge Cup & Jubilee Shield two team declarations are allowed per district.
- 1.2.5 For Senior Indoor Provincials, Districts may declare as follows:
 - Jubilee & Challenge Cups highest division teams
 - Tier I 2nd highest division teams
 - Tier II 3rd highest division teams
 - Tier III 4th highest division teams
 - Tier IV 5th highest division teams and lower

In Men's Masters and Women's Classic Cup Competition, Districts other than Edmonton and Calgary may enter a team comprised of registered players, who have attained the age of 35 by January 1st 2010, within their district. Edmonton and Calgary Districts may enter a registered 35 and over team from their highest Masters or Classic division within an affiliated district league in the Tier I Masters or Classic Cup, and a registered team from the second highest division in Tier II. All players who have competed in another ASA Provincial Competition or Cups leading thereto are ineligible to play in the Provincial Masters or Classic Cups. For the 2009-2010 Indoor season only, special dispensation may be granted upon written request to players who were not 35 or older by January 1st, 2009, but participated in Masters or Classics during the 2009 Outdoor Season.



A Classics team can request, via their respective district association to the Competitions Committee, to add underage players (over 30) to a maximum of five (5) as per the following: 2009-2010 the age would be over 32, 2011-2012 the age would be over 33, 2013-2014 the age would be over 34 and in 2015 the age for Classics would be over 35.

- 1.2.6 All teams age U12 and older must have participated in at least six (6) games against equal or higher level competition during the season in order to compete in Provincials at that level (Tier I, II, III, IV). Districts are required to include a certification on their declaration letter that all teams competing in Provincials are in compliance with Rule 1.4.5. Each team must be able to provide documentation upon request to the Competitions Coordinator.
- 1.2.7 A District that places a team in another District's league, with the consent of both Districts, on a non-exhibition basis (ie. where teams play for a Provincial berth) does not lose its right to declare a team for the same age/gender category of Provincial Championship. The team playing for a Provincial berth in another District's league cannot return to its own District of domicile to challenge for that berth and must declare its intentions in writing to the host District and the ASA office prior to the start of the season.

A District that places a team in another District's league, with the consent of both Districts, on an exhibition basis may use only its own District's berth to declare for Provincial Championships and not that of any other District, and its District must declare their intention to do so in writing, to the ASA office prior to the start of their season.

1.3 Team Rosters

- 1.3.1 The ASA office must receive each District's certified participating team rosters on ASA approved forms no later than February 28th, 2010.

The transfer deadline for Senior Indoor Competitions is January 31st, 2010 and for Youth Indoor Competitions is February 28th, 2010.

- 1.3.2 A Youth team roster shall not exceed twenty (20) players and a team may dress all twenty (20) for any game in all youth provincials. A Senior team shall not exceed twenty-five (25) registered and eligible players of which any twenty (20) may be dressed for any game in all Senior Provincials.
- 1.3.3 The following shall be provided by each team participating in a Provincial qualifying series:
 - a) Name of team;
 - b) Name, address and phone number of team Manager and/or Coach;
 - c) Team colours and alternate colours;
 - d) Team Roster on an ASA approved form, certified by their District Association.
- 1.3.4 All Coaches and Staff of ASA Member District Teams who are listed on a team roster of a team going to any age/gender competitive level Provincial or Regional Championship are required to complete CPIC Security Clearance forms and satisfactorily pass police clearance, or if not police cleared, pass their District Review Committee process. Written confirmation of clearance must accompany each team roster submitted by Districts to ASA to compete in any Provincial Championship. Note that written declaration, submitted to ASA on District governing body's letterhead by an Executive Officer of the relevant District that the process has been completed, will be acceptable.

- 1.3.5 Under exceptional circumstances a team may request, through their district, to the competitions committee, special permission to call-up players under the following guidelines.

The following apply to all Youth Competitions:

- 1.3.5.1 Requests for call-ups may only come through the District Association.
- 1.3.5.2 Call-ups must not enhance team strength, which would cause the overall integrity of the competition to be jeopardized. Any call-ups must come from an equal or lower level of competition.
- 1.3.5.3 Teams can only request call up(s) if their roster is depleted to 16.
- 1.3.5.4 Call-ups must come from the team's club system if such system is in place.
- 1.3.5.5 Call-ups must not increase the roster above the original number of registered players as of March 1, 2010 (i.e. a call-up must replace a registered player of the team).
- 1.3.5.6 Call-ups must not result in the roster exceeding the authorized maximum (see Rule 1.3.2).
- 1.3.5.7 Call ups have to be submitted seven (7) days prior to the start of the Championships.
- 1.3.5.8 Teams cannot call up players from a team that has qualified for the Provincial Championships.
- 1.3.5.9 Once a player has been replaced by a call up, he/she cannot return to the team to participate in the Provincial Championships.
- 1.3.5.10 Players may only be replaced due to absence or injuries, registered players who wish to play may not be replaced. Players being replaced due to an injury must provide written confirmation of the injury from a practicing medical professional, players being replaced due to absence must provide written confirmation of their absence from their parent or legal guardian.
- 1.3.5.11 After the Provincial tournament, the player will return to his/her original team.
- 1.3.5.12 Call-ups must not have been registered with the team for thirty (30) days prior to the Provincial Championship.
- 1.3.5.13 If the season is not over, a call-up must have the consent of the team/club for which she/he plays for.

The following apply to all senior Competitions:

- 1.3.5.14 Requests for call-ups may only come through the District Association.
- 1.3.5.15 Call-ups must not enhance team strength, which would cause the overall integrity of the competition to be jeopardized. Any call-ups must come from an equal or lower level of competition.
- 1.3.5.16 Teams can only request call up(s) if their roster is depleted to less than twenty (20).
- 1.3.5.17 Call-ups must come from the team's club system if such system is in place.
- 1.3.5.18 Call-ups must not increase the roster above the original number of registered players as of March 1, 2010 (i.e. a call-up must replace a registered player of the team).
- 1.3.5.19 Call-ups must not result in the roster exceeding the authorized maximum (see Rule 1.3.2).
- 1.3.5.20 Call ups have to be submitted seven (7) days prior to the start of the Championships.
- 1.3.5.21 Teams cannot call up players from a team that has qualified for the Provincial Championships.
- 1.3.5.22 Once a player has been replaced by a call up, he/she cannot return to the team to participate in the Provincial Championships.
- 1.3.5.23 Players may only be replaced due to absence or injuries, registered players who wish to play may not be replaced.
- 1.3.5.24 A Masters Team may not request call-ups for players under 35 years of age.

- 1.3.5.25 A Classics team can request, via their respective District Association, to add under age players to a maximum of five (5) as per the following: 2009 the age would be over 32; 2011 the age would be over 33; 2013 the age would be over 34 and in 2015 the age for Classics would be over 35.
- 1.3.5.26 After the Provincial tournament, the player will return to his/her original team.
- 1.3.5.27 Call-ups must not have been registered with the team for thirty (30) days prior to the Provincial Championship.
- 1.3.5.28 If the season is not over, a call-up must have the consent of the team/club for which she/he plays for.
- 1.3.5.29 The preceding guidelines apply to Senior players only, Youth players playing up are subject to Rule 1.4.6.

1.4 Player Eligibility

- 1.4.1 Youth players in age categories who reach the limiting age on or after the 1st of January in the following year of his/her application for Indoor registration shall continue to be eligible to play in that age category for the remainder of the playing season, including all Provincial Youth competitions.
- 1.4.2 Any youth team that includes a player who is over the age limit as defined in 1.4.1 above shall forfeit the games in question and shall be subject to disciplinary action by the ASA.
- 1.4.3 ASA and CSA Outdoor Cup Tied Rules will not apply to the 2010 Indoor Provincials.
- 1.4.4 Tier I players are only eligible to compete in Tier I competitions, Tier II players may compete in Tier I or Tier II competitions, Tier III players may compete in Tier I, Tier II and Tier III competitions. Tier IV players may compete in any level of competition. Subject to rules 1.3.5 and 1.4.1.
- 1.4.5 Youth players and teams are permitted to play up an age group for developmental purposes and still go back to a lower age group for Provincial Championship competitions, subject to local rules, ASA Player Transfer deadline (see Rule 1.3.1) and age eligibility (see Rule 1.4.1). Players and teams wishing to play up must submit their intentions, in writing, to the Competitions Coordinator through their respective district associations, by December 1st of the playing season.
- 1.4.6 All youth players playing up in Senior Provincials must be added to the roster seven (7) days prior to the competition.
- 1.4.7 A senior player shall have attained their 16th birthday by January 1st 2010 to participate in Senior Provincials. For the 2009-2010 Indoor season only, special dispensation may be granted upon written request to players who were not 16 or older by January 1st, 2010, but participated on a senior team during the 2009 Outdoor Season.

2. TEAM MANAGEMENT

- 2.1 All players, team officials and other persons involved in the playing of games which constitute a part of the Association's Championships are required to conduct themselves in a manner which will bring credit to themselves, their teams, the host Association, the Alberta Soccer Association and the Sport.

- 2.2 All youth teams with female members must have an adult female on the official roster and in attendance in the players box at all games. Youth teams with male members must have an adult male on the official roster and be on the bench at all games (i.e. coach, manager or physio). Failure to comply will lead to assessment of administrative fees and advisement to the team's District.
- 2.3 A maximum of four non-playing personnel may be on the bench.
- 2.4 Every coach involved in all Indoor Provincial Competitions must be certified at the Community Coach Youth level for a youth team and the Community Coach Senior level for a senior team. (i.e. U-14 Tier 3 Coach – Community Coach Youth, Senior Tier III Coach – Community Coach Senior). If a new (non-certified) coach takes over a team leading into a Provincial Championship, dispensation is granted for the next two (2) years from the time his/her name appears on the team's registration.
- 2.5 All Coaches and Staff of ASA Member District Teams who are listed on a team roster of a team going to any age/gender competitive level Provincial or Regional Championship are required to complete CPIC Security Clearance forms and satisfactorily pass police clearance, or if not police cleared, pass their District Review Committee process. Written confirmation of clearance must accompany each team roster submitted by Districts to ASA to compete in any Provincial Championship. Note that written declaration, submitted to ASA on District governing body's letterhead by an Executive Officer of the relevant District that the process has been completed, will be acceptable.
- 2.6 In the event of non-compliance, the Competitions Committee through the ASA Board will deal with appropriate actions.
- 2.7 Official ASA Game Sheets are to be handed in to the Referee prior to the commencement of the game.
- 2.8 No High school teams in Alberta may participate in any sanctioned ASA league or be part of any ASA clubs even under the guise of ASA District club teams appearing to have no direct affiliation with high schools. Players may play for both a high school and a club team as long as they are registered with a club team as well.
Note: High schools may apply and become ASA Associate Members for the purpose of being permitted to use ASA referees services and have access to ASA training courses.
- 2.9 No ASA registered team assembled by an unsanctioned Academy by its own name or under any other guise will be permitted to participate in any ASA league of any District association, Club or participate in any ASA Championship.

3. EQUIPMENT / UNIFORMS

- 3.1 When the colors of competing teams are similar, home teams shall use alternate colors. Each team must have a set of pinnies with them if they do not have alternate jerseys.
Goalkeepers shall wear colors which plainly distinguish them from all other players and game officials.
- 3.2 All jerseys must be clearly numbered as per FIFA Rules. The number of the player's jersey must correspond to the number listed with the players name on the game sheet.

- 3.3 Visible undergarments such as cycling shorts are authorized. They must; however, be of the same colour as the uniform shorts of the player wearing them and not extend farther than the top of the knee.
- 3.4 The wearing of shin guards is mandatory in all Provincial Competitions.
- 3.5 Jewellery and Non-compulsory Equipment
 - 3.5.1 A player must not use equipment or wear anything that is dangerous to himself/herself or another player.
 - 3.5.2 Modern protective equipment such as headgear, facemasks, knee and arm protectors made of soft, lightweight, padded material are not considered to be dangerous and are therefore permitted.
 - 3.5.3 All items of jewellery are potentially dangerous. The term “dangerous” can sometimes be ambiguous and controversial, therefore in order to be uniform and consistent any kind of jewellery has to be forbidden.
 - 3.5.4 Players are not allowed to use tape to cover jewellery. Tapping jewellery is not adequate protection.
 - 3.5.5 Rings, earrings, leather or rubber bands are not necessary to play and the only thing they can bring about is injury.
 - 3.5.6 In order to avoid “last minute” problems teams should inform their players in advance.

4. I.D. CARDS

At all Youth Indoor Provincial Championships, players are required to have satisfactory proof of age available for inspection on the request of the ASA representative. The burden of proof of date of birth shall rest with the player.

Each player at a Senior Indoor Provincial Championship must have a District Photo I.D. Card or other photo I.D. The burden of proof of registration with a District shall rest with the player.

5. DURATION OF PLAY / BALL SIZES

All games terminate at the end of regulation time, two 25 minute halves, with the last two minutes of the second half being stop time.

Any third game of a 3 team round-robin (including in a six, nine, ten or twelve team format with groups of 3 teams) that requires a result (see Rule 8.3) will go directly to penalty kicks.

All medal games of Indoor Provincials that are tied at the end of regulation time will go directly to penalty kicks.

A size 4 ball will be used for U-12's and size 5 for U-14/16/18 & Senior competitions.

6. SUBSTITUTIONS

In all Indoor Youth and Senior competitions there will be unlimited substitutions as per Rule 3 in the 2009-10 Alberta Rules of Indoor Soccer.



7. FORMAT & SEEDING

- 7.1 The formats for all competitions will be determined by the Competitions Committee following a review of the declarations received. A five (5) team round robin format will only be used in extraordinary circumstances.
- 7.2 Where there are two or more groups of 3, or two or more groups of 4 crossing over, no two teams from the same District will be seeded into the same group, whenever feasible.
- 7.3 Seeding for Youth Competitions shall be determined by random draw. Seeds shall be drawn in such a way as to avoid regional play, make allowances for travelling teams and in the interest of the best overall tournament. Seeding for Senior Competitions shall be determined based on last year's results. Districts which declare two or more teams, to the same competition must designate which team is the first, second team ect, seven (7) days prior to the ASA tournament.
- 7.4 In the event of a team dropping out of provincials, where no replacement team can be found, the changes to the groups shall be decided by the competitions committee.
- 7.5 The following format will apply for the 2010 Senior Indoor Provincial Jubilee & Challenge Cups:
 - There is the possibility of mid week home vs home games
 - 6 team format (2 round robins of 3) with crossover games on last day;
 - 2 teams per district declaration (except districts over 1000 senior players threshold who can declare more teams if no other declaration is received);
 - seeding format with S1, N2 and N3 in one group and NI, S2 and S3 in the second group. Seeding to be based on current district or regional qualifying results;

8. ROUND ROBIN TIE-BREAKING PROCEDURE

In all competitions (or parts thereof) organized on a *round-robin basis*, the following rules shall apply.

- 8.1 Regulation time only will be played, except for stop-time in the last two minutes of the second half.
- 8.2 Three points shall be awarded for a win and one point for a tie. Standings shall be determined by points won at the completion of the round-robin, with tie-breaking as outlined in 8.4;
- 8.3 In any three (3) team round-robin, whether part or whole of the competition, the third game of the competition shall be played to a decision if the team not competing has zero (0) points. Any third game of a three-team round robin that requires a result will go directly to penalty kicks.
- 8.4 If two (2) teams are initially tied on points, then the following formula will be used to determine the final standings, commencing with tie-breaking rule 8.4 (a). If three or more teams are tied on points, tie breaking rule 8.4 (a) will not be used, and the tie-breaking formula will commence with 8.4 (b), goal differential. If tie breaking rules 8.4 (a) and 8.4 (b) are not successful in breaking the tie, then rules 8.4 (c), and if necessary, 8.4 (d) will be applied.

(a) Previous Match Results

The winner of the match between two teams tied in points shall be awarded the higher position;

(b) Goal Difference

Goal difference shall be calculated by deducting the total goals against from total goals for, in all of the team's games. The team with the highest goal difference in the entire competition will be awarded the higher standing.

(c) Most Goals Scored

If (a) and (b) do not break the tie, the team scoring the most goals in all of their matches will be awarded the higher standing.

(d) Penalty Shots

If two or more teams are still tied under criteria (a)-(c), then the higher standings shall be decided by kicks from the penalty mark, as follows:

Two teams tied:

as per FIFA Laws of the Game, at a time and place decided by the ASA Representative;

Three teams tied:

Each team is designated A, B or C as determined by a random draw done by the Competitions Chairman. Three mini-games shall be played (A vs B, B vs C, C vs A) consisting of 5 penalty kicks at a time and place to be decided by the ASA Representative/Committee. All 5 penalty kicks must be taken. Three points shall be awarded for a win, one for a tie. The standings after these three mini-games shall be determined according to the criteria (a)-(c) above;

Four teams tied:

Each team is designated A, B, C or D. Six mini-games shall be played (A vs B, C vs D, A vs C, B vs D, D vs A and C vs B), to decide the final ranking, as in the three team case.

This tie breaking procedure must be carried through in its entirety. No tie breaking rule will be used twice.

9. DISCIPLINE

9.1 The ASA Representative shall establish and chair a Tournament Discipline Committee for all Provincial competitions. The Discipline Committee shall comprise the Chairman and two other ASA Directors wherever possible. The Committee shall deal with all cases of discipline relating to player and/or staff during the tournament.

9.2 Misconduct by players or team officials reported by the referee shall be dealt with by the Tournament Discipline Committee prior to the next game, except as noted below.

For any misconduct in his/her team's final games in any competition, discipline may be delegated to the District in Membership which the player or team official represent, if time does not permit the holding of a hearing.

- 9.3 If a hearing is requested, or if the ASA Representative/Committee at his/her/their discretion shall so decide, the Tournament Discipline Committee shall conduct hearings to deal with misconduct in accordance with the ASA Constitution, excepting only for any notice periods, which shall be waived. ASA mandatory suspensions will be applied. The District in Membership of the player or team official involved shall be informed of the disposition.
- 9.4 Any player or team official reported for misconduct who elects to have a hearing, or where the ASA Representative/Committee has called a hearing, shall attend the hearing and may be accompanied by a club representative.
- 9.5 Failure to attend, after notification by the ASA Representative/Committee, shall result in immediate suspension until the player or team official involved requests a further hearing in writing, and appears at that subsequent hearing.
- 9.6 The Tournament Discipline Committee shall hold a hearing into the behaviour off the field of play of any player or team official alleged by the ASA Representative/Committee to have brought the game into disrepute. The Committee may take any disciplinary action it sees fit, including suspension from all soccer activity during the ASA tournament
- 9.7 Three (3) yellow cards in a Provincial series or Championship will automatically generate a one-game suspension. Cards do carry forward from Regional to Provincial Finals. Red Cards in a Provincial series or Championship will automatically generate a minimum one-game suspension, unless a hearing is called by the Tournament Chairman.
- Threats and Assaults on officials during a Provincial series or Championship will generate an immediate suspension pending ASA Discipline Committee action in accordance with Rule 9 of ASA Rules and Regulations.
- 9.8 Protests/Appeals may be lodged with the ASA Representative/Committee only on alleged deviation from these published rules. Protests/Appeals must be in writing on the game sheet, clearly outlining the complaint, and must be lodged within one (1) Hr. after the game. No protests will be heard which are based on a game official's interpretation of the Laws of the Game.
- The ASA Representative/Committee will deal with all valid protests immediately, and his/her/their decision shall be final and binding on all parties concerned.
- 9.9 Where an ASA representative at a Provincial Championship discovers, after the tournament meeting and the certification of credentials, that a team has inserted an ineligible player, the ASA representative will declare that team's participation illegal and adjust the results of competition accordingly.
- Individuals who have been listed on a game sheet will be deemed to have participated in that game.
- 9.10 A referee who wishes to or is requested by a Tournament Representative/Committee to submit a written report on a game incident must do so within two hours after the end of their final officiating responsibility for that day. The report shall be submitted in accordance with the format outlined in the ASA Referee Manual.
- 9.11 In the event of a player receiving two yellow cards, leading to a red card, the referee must fill out a misconduct report explaining the action, similar to if a player had received a straight red card.

10. DROP OUTS

A District whose team withdraws from the competition eight to fourteen days prior will be assessed an administration fee of \$500, and \$2000 to a total of \$2,500 for a withdrawal less than eight days prior to the competition. All withdrawals must be submitted in writing to the ASA office. No competition fees will be refunded if a District withdraws from competition after the declaration deadline.

If any team does not fulfill all its playing obligations within the round robin portion of the competition, then all games involving this team will be recorded as a 3-0 win for the opposing team.

The District of any team not fulfilling its obligations of the competition or failing to show up with a minimum of 4 players will be assessed an administration fee of up to \$2000. All decisions with regards to the Administrative fees will be the responsibility of the Competitions Coordinator in conjunction with the Competitions Committee and notice of all Administrative fees will be sent out to the District that the team was representing.

11. TROPHIES

The winners of Senior indoor Provincial Championships shall be responsible for the safe-keeping and return in good condition of trophies to the ASA office by January 15.

The winners of Youth Indoor Provincial Championships shall be awarded “keeper” trophies that are not required to be returned to the ASA.

All Provincial Medal ceremonies shall occur in the soccer center immediately following the Gold Medal game. In the interest of sportsmanship and fair play Alberta Soccer would like teams not receiving a medal to stay for the ceremony, however this is not a requirement. Teams leaving before the medal ceremony must check in with the ASA Representative prior to departure to receive their provincial pins and fair play plaque if applicable.

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YOUTH FAIR PLAY TEAM AWARD

ASA Provincial Championships

GUIDELINES

The Youth Fair Play Team Award is intended to foster the spirit of fair play including:

- respect for the Laws of the Game.
- respect for the opponent.
- respect for game officials and acceptance of their decisions.
- maintaining dignity under all circumstances.

“Team” includes all players, coaches and other team officials on the team credentials form.

The Youth Fair Play Contest starts when the team arrives at the venue 30-45 minutes before the game time and will end when the team leaves the venue.

Each team will be awarded 5 points per game x potential number of games played = Total points at start of championship. Points may be deducted by the Referee and the ASA Representative as follows:

Referee:

Upon completion of the game, the Fairplay rating (out of 10) at the bottom of the gamesheet will be circled by the referee. The number of points that are deducted out of 10 will be recorded by the ASA Rep for each game (eg. if “8” is circled, “-2” will be deducted from the team’s Fairplay total).

Where there are 8 or more teams competing, because of the unequal number of games played, teams that do not participate in a final medal game will receive an average of their previous games’ referee ratings as a final game rating.

ASA Representative:

The ASA Rep may also deduct points, based on the guidelines below:

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| ▪ equipment not worn correctly or missing equipment | -1 |
| ▪ caution given to team member (yellow card) | -2 |
| ▪ coaching from the touchline beyond the Technical Area | -2 |
| ▪ suspension from a game in addition to automatic 1 game | -2 |
| ▪ not attending Medal Ceremonies (without permission) | -2 |
| ▪ expulsion of team member and automatic 1 game suspension | -6 |
| ▪ late arrival of a team for a game | -6 |
| ▪ no show of a team for a scheduled game | -6 |
| ▪ team leaving the field | Disqualified |

Any other incidents will be judged by the ASA Representative and/or designate.

The Team with the highest number of points remaining will be declared the winner of the Fair Play Contest. If two (2) or more teams are tied in number of points, the ASA Representative or Designate will determine the winner. Decisions are final.

A team that drops to 0 points or less during the tournament will be excluded from the Fair Play Contest. The Tournament Chairperson shall have discretionary power to decide not to award the Fair Play Team Award in that competition over which he/she presides.

If the Fairplay winner is not in attendance at the Medal Presentations, the award will be mailed to the team by the ASA office.

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