

2021 City Cup 7v7 Series

Tournament Rules and Regulations

Administrative Rules

The following items must be submitted to the front desk prior to the first game. Your team will **NOT** be allowed to play unless these items are submitted. Teams MUST be paid in full prior to the first game.

- A. Payment
- B. Utica City/CNYFSC liability waiver for **ALL PLAYERS**
- C. Roster of players

All CNYFSC COVID-19 regulations must be followed by all participants, coaches and spectators.

All rosters are final upon completion of the team's first game.

Game Duration

Each game will be **30 minutes** long. CNYFSC referees will have the ability to add injury time based on their discretion.

Number of Players (7v7)

Each team will be allowed to have seven players on the field, which include 6 field players and a goalkeeper. The minimum number of players allowed to play the game is 4 players. If a team does not have enough players to field a team, the team will forfeit the game with a score 3-0.

Scoring

3 points for a win; 1 point for a tie and 0 points for a loss.

FORFEITS: A forfeit is scored as 3-0

Tiebreakers

Ties between two or more teams will be broken by:

- 1) points
- 2) head to head results between tied teams
- 3) Goal
- 4) fewest goals against in pool play
- 5) goals scored
- 6) sudden death shootout



Play-Off Overtime

Teams will have a 5-minute golden goal overtime period. If the score is still tied, the winner is decided by shootout with 3 kicks from the mark from each team.

Goal Kick

Per new FIFA policy, goal kicks do not need to leave the box to be in play. Attacking players may receive the box in their own box, but defending players must be outside the box until the ball is touched. <u>Please note</u>: For the 2013 and 2012 age groups, defending teams will be required to drop back to half field before ball is put in play. Once the ball is kicked, defending team can enter the opposing half.

Free Kicks

All free kicks are direct. Opposing players shall be at least 15 feet away from the ball until it is put into play.

Player Ejection (Yellow/Red Cards)

Yellow cards do not carry over game to game. Referees have the right to eject a player from the game for continual disobedience or as a result of an incident that warrants sending the player off. Based on CNYFSC policy, any red carded player must sit for the remainder of the game and will be suspended for a minimum of one game. Each red card will be reviewed by Utica City staff to determine whether the penalty deems an extended suspension for the offense.

Offside

There **WILL** be offsides for the 2021 City Cup Series.

Goalkeepers

The goalkeeper has 5 seconds to release the ball from their hands. Goal kicks will be taken from the small goalkeeper box. Punting or drop kicking the ball is **NOT** allowed. **Please note**: For the 2013 and 2012 age groups, defending teams will be required to drop back to half field before ball is put in play. Once the ball is put in play, defending team can enter the opposing half.

Substitutions

Substitutions for field players and goalkeepers may be made at any time during the stoppage of play on an unlimited basis. The substitute player may not enter the field of play until the player being substituted for is within 10 yards of team's bench area. If the goalkeeper is being substituted, you must inform and receive approval from the referee before making the change.

Sportsmanship

Per Utica City policy, players, coaches and spectators are expected to act in the nature of good sportsmanship at all times. Abuse of the referees will **NOT** be tolerated. Any instance of such conduct will disqualify the responsible team from the event.

Situations that do not address these rules and regulations will be made at the discretion of Utica City staff.