

# **2024 East v West Developmental Festival Rules**

1-day Festival is open to Girls and 1-day festival open to Boys. Teams from U9 to U12. Mixed teams can play in the Boys Festival. Teams will be guaranteed 3 games. In keeping with OS's A Guide to Festivals in Ontario, there will be no game sheets, scores and standings will not be kept and no winners will be recorded. No trophies will be presented but all players may receive a memento of the Festival. OS LTPD Development Matrix will be used.

Girls play July 20th & 21st, 2024 – U9/U11's on the 20th and U10/U12's on the 21st

Boys play July 27th & 28th, 2024 – U9/U11's on the 27th and U10/U12's on the 28th.

The following additions will be in effect:

## **Eligible Teams**

The tournament is open to OS-registered Girls and Boys Development Club teams from U9 up to U12 age divisions inclusive. All non-Northumberland Soccer Club teams will require a Permission to Travel permit approved by their District Association. A player can play for only one team in the festival.

## **Game Format**

- U9 and U10 will play 3 games - 30 minutes in length  
2 x 15 minute halves with a 5 minute half time.
- U11 and U12 will play 3 games - 40 minutes in length. 2 x  
20 minute halves with a 5 minute half time

## **Age Specific Rules**

- U9 & U10 teams will play 7 vs 7 (including the goalkeeper).
- A maximum of 12 players can participate (or be on the bench) in a game. -
- There will be no offsides and no throw-ins (use pass-ins or dribble-ins).
- *Retreat rule* (1/3 line) will be in effect on goal kicks and goalkeeper possession.
- U11 & U12 teams will play 9 vs 9 (including the goalkeeper). A maximum of 16 players can participate (or be on the bench) in a game.
- Offside and throw-ins will be in effect.
- Retreat rule (1/3 line) will be in effect on goal kicks and goalkeeper possession.

## **General Rules**

- Size 4 ball shall be used for all games.
- Coaches are required to give fair playing time to all players and ensure that no player exceeds the permitted maximum of minutes per day.
- Northumberland United soccer club has tried to ensure teams get a minimum of 25 minutes rest between games.

## **Substitutions**

- There is no limit to the number of player substitutions during a game, but a substitution can only be made during a stoppage in play and at the referee's discretion.
  - When a goal is scored
  - At a goal kick for either team
  - On own kick-in or throw-in - piggy back will be allowed
  - For an injured player at the referee's discretion.

## **Registration**

- All teams must present proof of registration with their District Association -
- All teams from outside the East Central Ontario Soccer Association (ECOSA) District must supply, no later than one week before the Festival date, a permission to travel form from their home District
- All teams must register the day of the festival at the Northumberland Soccer Office 700 D'Arcy Street, Cobourg at least one hour before their first game
  - Registration hours will be between 8:00am-1:00pm. The following documents must be presented at registration:
    1. Team Master Roster (2 copies)
    2. OS approved roster
    3. OS Team Officials documentation
    4. Approved Travel Permit (NON ECOSA teams)
  - Players are not required to attend registration
  - Only the team officials on the Master Roster are allowed on the bench

## **Equipment**

- The festival organizing committee will be responsible for nets and corner flags.
- The home team of each game will be asked to supply the game balls.
- The home team will be asked to change their jerseys if two teams have identical or similar team colours.

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## **Behaviour** -

- Coaches are responsible for the parents behaviour
  - No alcohol allowed on public premises
  - Smoking / Vaping will not be permitted on the sidelines - be respectful to all members
- REMEMBER that our officials are kids and are learning. The best way for individuals to learn is in a safe and positive environment.

If you have any questions please email [info@northumberlandsoccer.com](mailto:info@northumberlandsoccer.com)