

**East Windsor PAL Travel Soccer Club
11th Annual Summer Blastoff Tournament
Saturday May 15, 2010**

**East Windsor PAL Soccer Complex
30 Airport Road, East Windsor NJ (Mercer County)**

Boys and Girls Age Groups:

**U 15 8/1/94-7/31/95, U14 8/1/95-7/31/96, U13 8/1/96-7/31/97,
U12 8/1/97-7/31/98, U11 8/1/98-7/31/99, U10 8/1/99-7/31/00,
U9 8/1/00-7/31/01**

U9 & U 10 Teams May Not Play Up in Age

Fees: \$275 per Team before April 1, 2010

\$295 per team after April 1, 2010

Tournament Rules

- ❖ **Smoking is prohibited on or by the fields. No pets are allowed on the facility.**
- ❖ **Sanction, Eligibility and Registration:** This tournament is NJSYSA approved. All member clubs of US Youth Soccer and its State Associations are invited. Players must hold valid Youth Soccer player passes. No select, tournament, or teams formed solely for the purpose of tournament play are allowed. No secondary player passes are allowed. Up to 3 guest players are allowed. Maximum roster size for U-9 and U-10 teams is 14 players, for Full-Sided teams U-11 to U-15 is 18 players.
- ❖ **Applications** are required by e-mail or regular mail by **April 25, 2010**. All checks or money orders for team registration will be made out to **“East Windsor PAL Travel Soccer”**
- ❖ **Registration** will take place **Friday Night, May 14, 2010 from 6:00 - 9:00 PM** at the PAL Airport Rd., Administration Building. Teams may register up to one hour prior to first game on Saturday **with prior approval** from the Tournament Administrator. Team rosters with jersey numbers, including guest players, notarized medical release forms, birth certificates, valid player passes, and permission to travel for out of state teams is required at registration time. The **East Windsor PAL Travel Soccer Tournament Committee** will keep a copy of your

validated state roster with guest players listed. All passes must be available to be presented to the Field Marshal at each game. **NO PASS, NO PLAY.**

- ❖ **Refund of Entry fees:** If the tournament is cancelled for any reason prior to the start of the tournament, at least 80% of the team's entry fees will be refunded. Reasons for cancellation may be weather, field availability, or the Tournament Committee decision.
- ❖ **Golf Cart Policy:** Golf carts, if used during the tournament, may only be operated by persons holding a valid New Jersey Drivers License.
- ❖ **GAMES:** Each team is guaranteed two games consisting of 25-minute halves. The winner in U11 and older Age Divisions games ending in a tie, will be determined by kicks from the penalty spot.
- ❖ Teams must report to the Field Marshal 20 minutes prior to game time for player equipment check and the coin toss. **No player will be allowed to participate if wearing a cast of any type.** The home team for coin tosses and shirt color conflicts will be the team with the lowest numerical designation on the tournament Flights Chart. No jewelry, except as allowed by USSF, no casts or uncovered braces or splints. Headgear with hard visors is only allowed at the discretion of the referee. All shirts must be matching and numbered. Full shin guards with socks covering are mandatory, and proper footwear will be checked. Games are allotted 60 minute time slots; if a game starts late it will be shortened to end on time. Full-sided games will start with **7 Players present** (one of which must be a goalkeeper) and small-sided games will start with **6 Players present** (one of which must be a goalkeeper). No warm up time will be given on the field of play. If the required number of players are not present within 10 minutes of the scheduled start, the game will be determined a forfeit and the victorious team will be awarded a win with a 3-0 score.
- ❖ **GAME RULES:**
All games will be played under FIFA rules, unless specifically modified by the tournament rules. Number 5 balls will be used for U-13 to U-15 Age Groups; other Age Groups will use a size 4 ball.
- ❖ **SUBSTITUTIONS** may be made at the following times: Own throw in, goal kick, at half time, following a goal. Players issued a caution (**Yellow card**) may be substituted at the coaches discretion (one for one) but no replacement player will be allowed on a **Red card** ejection. If play is stopped for an injured player to receive attention by Coaches and/or Trainers, the player **must** leave the field; the injured player may return to the field with permission from the referee. Subs on a one for one basis may be made if the injured player's team substitutes for the injured player.
- ❖ **AWARDS:** All U-9 and U-10 (8 vs. 8 games) players will receive Participation Awards. Standings and/or recording of scores will not be done and tie games will not go to kicks from the penalty spot. The 1st and 2nd place teams in U-11 and older Age Divisions will receive a Tournament Trophy.

All Players will receive a Tournament Patch. Exchange of Club patches, pins, etc. is strongly encouraged at the post game handshake.

❖ **STANDINGS:** All teams will play two games.

For U-11 or older, where teams are competing in a four team flight, the winners of the first game will play for the championship, the losers of the first game will compete in the consolation round. If the game is tied after regulation time, Kicks from the penalty spot will be taken on a different field set up for this purpose. For bonus points, the game will still be recorded as a tie. Winner of the “winners” game is the Champion.

For U-11 and older Age Divisions with an odd number of teams in the flight, the following point system will be used to break ties in the standings after all games are played and for award determination:

1. Win = 3 points
2. Tie = 1 point for each team
3. Loss = 0 points

Note: Forfeiture will be recorded as a 3-0 “Win” for the opposing team.

Bonus Points: If, after applying the point system described above, two or more teams are still tied in the standings “Bonus Points” will be applied as follows:

1. One (1) bonus point for a shutout (including 0-0 ties)
2. Up to three (3) bonus points per game for goal differential (goals scored minus goals allowed)
3. One (1) bonus point will be deducted for each goal over a differential of 6 (six) per game
4. Two (2) bonus points will be deducted for each Red card issued to a Player, Coach, Coaching Staff, and Parents or due to Team Spectators behavior.

Ties in the standings remaining after “Bonus Points” steps are applied will be broken as follows:

1. Results of head-to-head competition
2. Least goals allowed
3. Penalty kicks in accordance with FIFA rules

In case of a three-way tie, once a step is used to determine the tie-breaker, the process must continue to the next step and may not revert back.

❖ **REFEREES:** All referees will hold current USSF Registrations. There will be 3 referees for each game U-12 and above. U-11 will have 3 refs if available. All U-9 and U-10 (8 vs. 8) Games will be played on a small-sided field and will be assigned one referee who may use a club linesman from each team (at the discretion of the referee). Referee decisions are final, **NO PROTESTS** will be allowed for referee decisions, or for decisions of the **Tournament Committee**

❖ **THIS IS A COURTEOUS PARENT TOURNAMENT. COACHES ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE BEHAVIOR OF PLAYERS, COACHING STAFF,**

AND PARENTS. Spectators, Parents and Coaches may be ejected for unruly behavior. Players or Coaching Staff awarded Red cards during game play will sit out the remainder of that game and the next if still scheduled. Unruly Parents will not be permitted to return to the fields. All Red cards will be reported to the appropriate State Association within 48 hours of the completion of the tournament.

- ❖ **TEAM FIELD POSITION.** Players and Coaches in all Age Groups will sit on one side of the field opposite both teams' Parents and Spectators. No coaching will be allowed from the Parent/Spectator side of the field or behind the goals.
- ❖ **CONTACTS:**

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