



OSC OUTDOOR HOUSE LEAGUE RULES & REGULATIONS

SECTION 1 – GENERAL RULES

1.1 GENERAL APPLICATION OF RULES

- 1.1.1 All rules are to be strictly adhered to.
- 1.1.2 Rules in Section 1 shall apply to all players and teams, except where otherwise specified.
- 1.1.3 Outdoor House League Program Rules corresponding to its designated age group/soccer program, as outlined in Section 2 shall, also govern each team, and its players.
- 1.1.4 It is the aim of the OSC to offer fair play to all House League players.
- 1.1.5 When the weather is extremely hot, **either** coach may request a **2-minute** water break in the middle of each game half. This is for the sole purpose of giving **only** those players on the field some water. It is **not** to be used for coaching or other purposes.
- 1.1.6 Referees and team coach's staff are required to follow the [CSA Lightning safety severe weather policy](#) at all times to ensure the safety of the players and others at games and practices.

1.2 TEAM ELIGIBILITY & CLASSIFICATION

1.2.1 Team Eligibility

- 1.2.1a. Each team is comprised of players who are properly registered with the OSC.
- 1.2.1b. Teams may use only players, who are registered to their team roster, except as otherwise authorized by the convenor.

1.2.2 Team Classification

- 1.2.2a. Each team, within its designated age group, shall be classified as belonging to one of the following House League programs:

Mini Kickers Program	U4 & U5 Boys & Girls
Micro Soccer	U6 & U7 Boys & Girls
Mini Soccer	U8 – U11 Boys & Girls
Youth Soccer	U12 – U18 Boys & Girls
Adult Soccer	Ladies Open Age & Men's Open Age
Adult Soccer	Ladies & Men's 35+

1.2.3 Number of Players per Team

- 1.2.3a. Each team shall be assigned no more than the registered players indicated below at any time unless written permission has been granted by the OSC Executive:

Mini Kickers Program	10 registered players
Micro Soccer	10 registered players
Mini Soccer	14 registered players
Youth Soccer (U12-U18)	18 registered players (maximum)
Adult Female Soccer	18 registered players
Adult Male Soccer	20 registered players

1.3 PLAYER ELIGIBILITY & CLASSIFICATION

1.3.1 Registration

1.3.1a. Each player must be properly registered on an official OSC registration form and subsequently on the OSC Club Management System (CMS).

1.3.1b. Proof of date of birth must be produced

- when a player registers for the first time with OSC
- when registering after a lapse of membership OR
- at the request of the OSC

1.3.1c. Late registration may be accepted at the discretion of the Registrar, Executive or its delegate.

1.3.2 Age Group Classification

1.3.2a. All players must play in the age group corresponding with their year of birth, unless written permission has been granted by the OSC Executive.

Year of Birth	Program/Age Group
2007	Mini Kickers U4
2006	Mini Kickers U5
2005	Micro U6
2004	Micro U7
2003	Mini U8
2002	Mini U9
2001	Mini U10
2000	Mini U11
1999	Youth U12
1998	Youth U13
1997/96	Youth U14/15
1995/94/93	Youth U16/17/18
1992-	Adult Open Age
1976-	Adult 35+

NOTE: The following age groups play together: U14/15 and U16/17/18

1.3.2b. Registration to a different age group due to medical reasons shall be made at the discretion of the OSC Registrar and/or Executive.

1.4 PLAYER EQUIPMENT

1.4.1 All players must wear shin guards or they will not be permitted to play.

1.4.2 All players must wear their team uniform with numbers printed on the back of the jerseys

1.4.3 All players U6 and older must wear soccer shoes.

1.4.4 A referee may, at his/her discretion, disallow a player to participate in a game, or at any time during the game, if the referee determines the player's equipment, jewelry accessory or medical support device (such as, but not limited to, a cast, splint or brace) to be a danger to all participants of the game.

1.5 TEAM OFFICIALS

- 1.5.1 The OSC Executive or its delegates/convenors shall appoint House League team officials.
- 1.5.2 Team officials include a coach and an assistant coach who are registered at the start of the season.
- 1.5.3 Appointments and resignations of team officials should be notified in writing to the Secretary of the OSC and to CMS within seven (7) days of the appointment or resignation.
- 1.5.4 All coaches over the age of 18 must have a valid Police Records Check before commencing any coaching duties.
- 1.5.5 A Police Records check is required every second year.

1.6 DISCIPLINE

- 1.6.1 **Discipline Committee**
 - 1.6.1a. The Discipline Committee shall consist of the manager of Discipline, or his/her delegate, as chairperson, and two (2) or more members appointed by the manager of Discipline.
- 1.6.2 **Discipline Hearings**
 - 1.6.2a. Discipline hearings shall be conducted in accordance with Ontario Soccer Association (OSA) guidelines.
 - 1.6.2b. Dates, times and locations of discipline hearings shall be determined by the manager of Discipline.
 - 1.6.2c. A minimum of one (1) hearing per month shall be held during the playing season.
 - 1.6.2d. Notwithstanding (b) above, a special Discipline Hearing shall be arranged to handle a player or team official incident report submitted during a House League Tournament or Cup competition. These cases shall be heard prior to the next round of competition.
- 1.6.3 **Discipline for Off-Field Offences**
 - 1.6.3a Any player or member who acts in a manner detrimental to OSC and/or in violation of the Constitution and Rules will be subject to disciplinary action.
- 1.6.4 **Discipline for On-Field Offenses**
 - 1.6.4a Any player or team official ejected from a game or receiving their third (yellow) card during the current playing season must attend a discipline hearing as notified by OSC.
- 1.6.5 **Failure to Attend discipline Hearings**
 - 1.6.5a. Any person failing to attend a discipline hearing following notification, shall be suspended until he/she requests in writing another hearing and appears at that subsequent hearing.
- 1.6.6 **Postponement of a Hearing**
 - 1.6.6a. All requests for the postponement of a hearing must be submitted in writing, by registered mail or receipted hand delivery, to the OSC no later than four (4) days prior to the date of that hearing. The request must state the reason for the postponement.
- 1.6.7 **Suspensions**
 - 1.6.7a. All suspensions shall take effect from the date determined by the Discipline Committee. Suspensions cannot be backdated.
 - 1.6.7b. Persons suspended shall not participate in any indoor or outdoor

soccer activities until their sentences have been completed. This includes, but is not limited to league Cup, Exhibition, Tournament and All-Star.

1.6.7c. Failure to abide by rule #1.6.7b will attract additional suspension.

1.6.7d. Any member who, with prior knowledge, allows a suspended member or player to participate in any soccer activity will be subject to the disciplinary process.

1.6.8 Administration

1.6.8a. The manager of Discipline shall keep records and shall notify the decisions of the Discipline Committee to both the Executive and the appropriate Convenor.

1.7 CHANGES TO THE RULES

1.7.1 Only the OSC Executive has the authority to submit and approve any changes to Outdoor House League Rules and Regulations during the course of the outdoor season.

1.8 MATTERS NOT COVERED BY THE RULES

1.8.1 Matters not covered by these Rules or by the Constitution of the OSC should be settled in accordance with the guidelines of the OSC, or if necessary, Peel Halton Soccer Association.