



Burlington Youth Soccer Club
Adult League Rules (COED 11v11)



BYSC – Adult Coed Rules 11 v 11 Overview:

Our objective is to foster good sportsmanship and an enjoyable experience in the game of soccer. Our focus is to create a recreational and friendly attitude while maintaining a high level of play in our games. We aim to promote respect and consideration for fellow players, for game officials, and for Club administrators.

All games shall follow the FIFA Laws of the Game (LOTG) and adhere to regulations set forth by Ontario Soccer (OS) and Peel Halton Soccer Association (PHSA).

1. Matches

- a. Each match shall consist of two 45 minute halves and a 10 minute half time break. The duration of games or half time break may be shortened due to adverse playing conditions or other reasons.
- b. Games which have played one half and are terminated or suspended shall be deemed to be complete games. The scores at that point of the game will be the final score. If games are terminated or suspended prior to the half, the game will be deemed incomplete and a replay will be scheduled on a best efforts basis.
- c. Games which cannot be re-scheduled shall result in a tie, except where a team was leading by 3 goals or more prior to the stoppage of the game. The team that was leading will be awarded the win (This ruling will come under review if stoppage is caused by the team which was leading the game). Goals and cautions in games which are deemed to be incomplete will be treated the same as in a completed game.

2. Substitutions

- a. Substitutions may only take place during a stoppage in play caused by the ball leaving the field boundaries or in the case of injury. Unlimited substitutions are permitted during a game.
- b. Substitutions must be initiated by the team with possession of the ball. Both teams can make substitutions once the referee has been notified and gives permission to make the substitutions. If the team with possession does not initiate a change, the opposing team may not make a substitution except in the case of injury and will be at the discretion of the game officials.

3. Players

- a. All players must be registered with The Burlington Youth Soccer Club (BYSC) prior to taking part in any official games. Any team which plays an unregistered player in a match, other than a game which has been forfeited, a win will be awarded to the opposing team. Upon review, (BYSC) may impose further disciplinary actions which may include suspensions or deduction of points etc., if deemed necessary in accordance with the rule violation.
- b. Any player who is under suspension by PHSA or OS shall not be eligible to register with BYSC or participate in any of its games.
- c. Jerseys must have numbered shirts of the same colour and all players on a team must have a different numbered shirt.
- d. Players must wear the same numbered jersey for each game.
- e. Each team shall provide a list of player names with their corresponding shirt numbers before each game. If a player does not have his usual numbered jersey at the game, he must inform the game official and must be clearly identifiable on the game sheet and on the pitch in order to be permitted to play in the game.
- f. Any attempts by a team to play a person who is not registered with the club and/or to impersonate a registered player will be penalized with possible loss of points and fines as determined by the club operators upon review.



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4. Players Equipment

- a. Players shall not wear anything which is dangerous to themselves or another player.
- b. The basic equipment of a player shall consist of a numbered jersey, shorts, socks, shin guards and footwear.
- c. Footwear shall be appropriate to the outdoor game.
- d. Shin guards, must be covered entirely by the socks and worn during all games.
- e. Team colours shall not conflict with each other.
- f. Goalkeepers shall wear colours which distinguish them from each other, the other players and from the referee.
- g. Jewelry must be taken off before the start of the match, the only exception to this rule is a Medic Alert bracelet, which must be taped.
- h. In the event that both teams have same coloured jerseys/uniforms, the home team must wear alternate jerseys and/or pinnies.

5. The Game

- a. A minimum of 7 players are required to start a game. If teams cannot field a team at their scheduled times, they have 10 minutes before the result of the game is a forfeit (3-0).
- b. All games will consist of 10 outfield players and a goalkeeper (11v11).
- c. A minimum of 3 FEMALES must be on the field at all times. If a team only has 2 females they must play one player short (8 males, 2 females).
- d. If a team has less than 2 females present, the game will be forfeited.
- e. Slide tackling is not permitted.
- f. Each team must have 2 corners flags ready prior to the start of each game (supplied by BYSC). Teams must have a game sheet prepared by kick-off that is legible and clearly identifies each player's name and jersey number. The game sheet must be given to the game officials.
- g. Failure to provide corner flags, a game sheet, and other requirements stated in the Rules may result in a fine or point deduction to the offending team. A fair warning will be issued to teams prior to a penalty.

6. Tie-breaking for post-season

- a. In the event of a tie after regular season play or after the playoffs, the following rules apply for ranking the teams (in order of consideration):
 - i. Greatest number of points obtained in all group matches;
 - ii. Goal difference in all group matches;
 - iii. Greatest number of goals scored in all group matches.
- b. If two or more teams are equal on the basis of the above three criteria, their rankings will be determined as follows:
 - i. Greatest number of points obtained in the group matches between the teams concerned (Head to Head);
 - ii. If still tied, the BYSC will use "Kicks from the Penalty Mark" (FIFA LOTG) to break the tie. In the event that KFTPM cannot be scheduled, an additional playoff game will be played.

7. Cautions & Fines

- a. In accordance with OS & PHSA Discipline policies, the club will adhere to the Discipline by Review (D.B.R) system.
- b. Appeals are not permitted of DBR decisions as set forth in Discipline Policy 7.0 of OS.



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8. Misconduct and violation

- a. Violation of the Rules may result in suspensions, fines, point deductions or expulsion from the league without refund to a player or to the team.
- b. Violent behaviour towards the officials or other players will not be tolerated and may result in expulsion from the league and a fine. Additional fines and suspensions may result for any offense which is brought before the PHSA disciplinary board.

9. General Club Policy

- a. Misconduct and violent actions by a player may result in suspension and fines. The amount of the fine shall be determined by the club (D.B.R.) in accordance with the Discipline Policy of the PHSA and OS.
- b. Fines at this level of disciplinary action may be up to \$250.00 and could include suspension from playing in the province of Ontario.
- c. Teams are responsible for the conduct of their players. Should a player be charged or fined by PHSA or OS, which results in an additional fine charged to BYSC, the player and his/her team shall be responsible to pay the fine to the club.
- d. Discipline at this level is administered by PHSA by D.B.R. Players are suspended from play in Ontario until a hearing is held by PHSA and the player is found innocent or serves the suspension and pays all fines charged to him.
- e. BYSC reserves the right to fine or expel any player or team without refund for failure to comply with the Rules if deemed to be necessary for the benefit of all players, teams and the club.