

## CENTRAL FLORIDA SOCCER LEAGUE

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1. Each team must be prepared to commence match play upon the scheduled time for such match. If team has 7 players – game must start. If only 6 players – wait no more than 10 minutes for 7<sup>th</sup> player. If he/she has not arrived – game forfeit.
2. No team shall be eligible to commence any League match unless such team is prepared to field At least seven (7) players having bona fide players cards at the exact scheduled time for such match. If a team is unable to field at least seven (7) players with bona fide players cards at the exact scheduled time for such match, such team shall forfeit the League game. No referee or team shall permit any 6 players to participate in any exhibition game in lieu of the forfeited game unless such player has a bona fide player's card at the match site.
3. No player shall be eligible to participate in any League match unless such player shall present to The Referee at the game site a bona fide player's card approved by the League.
4. Teams must turn in Rosters before game time. Rosters and passes must match.
5. If at least two (2) teams request in writing during a ten (10) game season that a particular Referee be assessed. The CFSL shall pay the cost of such assessment and such assessment shall be conducted without the subject referee's knowledge. The CFSL shall pay for only one assessment of a particular referee in a ten (10) game season. Any team may pay the cost of assessment at anytime and have an assessment of a referee done at any time. Contact the League office to arrange an assessment.
6. Any player receiving three (3) or more yellow card violations for a similar offense in any ten (10) game season shall be treated by the League as if such player has received a red card and such offending player and his or her team shall be assessed the penalties provided by the League Constitution and By-Laws. The referee shall report any yellow card violations and the nature of such violation to the League Secretary who shall notify the referee assignor of such violation. The CFSL secretary shall monitor yellow cards and the team captain shall be notified when a player has three (3) yellow cards.
7. Any player who receives a red card violation shall surrender his player card to the referee who Shall forward such player card to the League Secretary/Red Card committee chairperson with an explanation of the nature of such players' violation.
8. Any player expelled from a game or receiving the equivalent of a red card will be suspended a Minimum of two (2) League games and his team shall be fined a minimum of fifty (50.00) Dollars. The red card committee will determine final penalty.
9. A team or club using a suspended player shall forfeit the game and shall be subject to additional Penalties ordered by the League President.
10. If a team forfeits within three (3) days of a scheduled match the match score shall be five (5)- Zero (0) in favor of the non-forfeiting team. If a team forfeits a match after a match begins the match score shall be the actual match score at the time of the forfeit or five (5)-zero (0) which ever score results in the greatest number of net goals to the non-forfeiting team. In the event that a team forfeits two (2) matches during a ten (10) game season for whatever reason, and no matter when the forfeits occur, the forfeiting team will be fined the sum of thirty-five (35.00) Dollars to be paid by Wednesday following the second forfeit. In addition, the Executive Board will have the right to suspend said team from further League play for that Season. Prior to any such suspension, the Executive Board may provide the team captains with names of available players or provide such other assistance or impose such other conditions as will ensure that such team will not forfeit additional matches if permitted to continue League play for such season. If a forfeit occurs, to receive a refund, the teams or players associated with the teams must not play a friendly game. If so a refund will be denied.
11. Fines of debt of any team (other than team dues) or of any person shall be paid within one week of

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being assessed, but before the 1<sup>st</sup> Tournament game. Failure to comply shall result in suspension of such team or person.

12. Each team or club shall take all precautions necessary to prevent disorder at games. The Executive Board will take appropriate action against teams failing to comply with the above rules.
13. Team protests shall be submitted by the team representative in writing to the Executive Secretary within two (2) days of the incident-giving rise to the protest. An appeal of any ruling Made by this League or its representatives shall be submitted in writing to the League office within two (2) days after notification of the League decisions. The protest shall include a notification of the League decision, and a fee of twenty-five (25.00) dollars, returnable if the League's decision is reversed or modified. The protest shall be acted upon within three (3) days of a Board of Appeals appointed by the second Vice President.
14. A team may have no more than eighteen (22) players on its roster.
15. Each team in all divisions shall be entitled to unlimited player substitutions up to eighteen (22) players during match. A team shall be permitted to make player substitutions at any throw in and any goal kick or during injury time.
16. A player may not play for any other team in the League until such player has been released From his or her present team in the League.
17. All players must wear regulation designed shin guards.
18. All team jerseys must be numbered and be of the same color. Any player having a jersey that is unnumbered or is not of the same color with his or her team markings shall not be eligible to play in any League match.
19. The first team listed in any scheduled match shall be designated the home team and shall be Responsible for changing the numbered jerseys of a different color in matches where the colors or Jerseys of the opposing team are similar. The referee shall have final authority to determine Whether the jerseys of the two opposing teams are of similar color.
20. All playing fields for League matches shall contain goals, nets, corner flags and shall be properly lined.
21. Players who are even or are not involved in the play will not be called offside.
22. When a player with the ball in a breakaway situation is tackled from behind, offending player will be sent off (red card will be issued at the discretion of the referee).
23. Rules regarding players substituting on and off a field: Players will be substituted to and from their half line.
24. Playoff games: Tournament Games: First and Second Round: Games ending in a tie at the End of regulation time go directly to PK's. Winner advances to the next round. Third round And Final Games ending in a tie at the end of regulation time will play to "golden goal". If no Goal after two fifteen (15) minutes halves: PK's.
25. The Executive Secretary for the Central Florida Soccer League is at

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**Referees are to send Red Cards to the League office.**

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### Registrations and Drop Forms:

Registration and drop forms will be handled via mail.

These forms may be picked up at the League office at the above address.

The deadline for registration of a new player is four (4) days prior to the next scheduled Match.

No drops are allowed after the eighth (8<sup>th</sup>) match of a season.

No adds are allowed after the eighth (8<sup>th</sup>) match of a season.

26. The Men's Division Over Thirty (O-30) shall be open only to players who have attained the age of thirty (30) years. Only the goal keeper can be twenty five (25) years, and he cannot play out of the goal.
27. The Referee is not obligated to call "slide tackling" as a dangerous play in any O-30 Division Play. In the O-30 Masters Division we ask that it be a gentleman's agreement agreed on by both captains before the game.
28. Referees shall call in game results, yellow cards and red cards to the CFSL Executive Secretary Office at the phone number: 407-869-1070. The scores will be used to phone game results to a local newspapers.
29. In the event of a forfeit, referees should remain for a friendly match if the teams wish. At these Friendly matches, all players must be registered with bona fide player cards and all FIFA rules and CFSL rules will apply and be enforced as they would be for a regular season match.
30. **COED DIVISION:** Coed teams must have FOUR (4) women on the field at all times. If not they play a man down. Coed teams are restricted to no more than 7 men (male) on the field at any time. Breakdown: 7 men 4 women, 7 men 3 women, 7 men 2 women, 7 men 1 woman, 7 men – you cannot replace a woman with a man. You play the game with 7 men if there are no women on the field. If a game begins with 7 men and one gets a red card – he cannot be replaced. If you start a game with 6 men and one man gets a red card, you play with 5 men – however if the 7 man arrives at the field he is allowed to come into the game, he will make the 6<sup>th</sup>, man on the field, you cannot put another one in as one got a red card. If a woman gets a red card, she cannot be replaced with a man, or woman, A red card is a red card and the player cannot be replaced.