

Tom Hillis Tournament Rules

During the tournament the Windsor Soccer Club House League rules apply with the following adjustments:

Length of Games

Round Robin

Games will consist of:

- two 20-minute halves, with a 5 minute break at half.

Semi-final (if called for)

Games will consist of:

- two 35-minute halves, with a 5 minute break at half.

Final

Games will consist of:

- Boys u15 & Girls u15 – two 35-minute halves, with a 5 minute break at half.
- Senior Boys & Girls – two 35-minute halves, with a 5 minute break at half.

Overtime

Round Robin

- There is no overtime - if the score is tied both teams will be awarded 1 point.

Semi-final & Final

- If score is tied at end of regular time, penalty shots will be taken to decide the winner.

Grace Period

- Teams will be granted 5 minutes to gather the minimum number of players (per Club rules) on the field at the start of the game.
- Failure to gather the minimum number of players will result in a 3-0 forfeit

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Standings

- Three points will be awarded for a win, one for a tie and zero for a loss.
- Standings will be based on total points earned in all games.
- If teams are tied in points, tie-breakers will determine the final positioning.

Tie-breakers

- best goal differential, maximum 3 goal spread per game.
- least number of goals against.
- head to head results from previous THT games
- most shut outs.
- Least number of goals against.
- best discipline record (i.e. yellow and red cards).

Teams still tied after these criteria have been applied will participate in penalty shots to determine who goes through to the next round.

Mercy Rule

- WSC's mercy rule will not be recognized during the THT. All games will be played in their entirety.

Substitutions

Player substitution, including goalkeepers, will be allowed at the following stoppage in play:

- On your throw in
- When a goal is scored
- At a goal kick
- At the beginning of the second half of a game
- At the beginning of the first and second halves of overtime, only during Tournament games.
- Where there is a stoppage in play by the referee for an injured player, that player must be replaced on a one for one basis the player leaving the field of play must stay off until a further stoppage in play, per the above rules, allows his / her appropriate return to play.
- When the team with possession makes a substitution(s), the opposing team may also make a substitution(s), with unlimited number of players as the team with possession. Should the team with possession make no substitutions, the opposing team may not make any substitutions.

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Game Sheets

- All Coaches are responsible for completing game sheets and providing same to the referee before the start of each game.
- Blank game sheets are available and should be picked up at the Club House.

Format

- Players - All games will be maximum 11 v 11. A minimum of 7 players is required to start the game.
- Coaching/Team Officials – A maximum of 2 Team Officials (Coaches) are allowed on the sidelines at each game.

Discipline

- Three yellow cards in the tournament will result in a 1 game suspension.
- Red card for denying the opposing team a goal or an obvious goal-scoring opportunity by deliberately handling the ball will result in a 1 game suspension.
- Red card for infringements such as serious foul play or violent conduct will result in a 2 game suspension.

Protests

- No protests or appeals of the Discipline Committee decisions are allowed.
- No protests or appeals of the Tom Hillis Tournament Committee decisions are allowed.
- All discipline cases heard at the tournament will be forwarded to the Windsor Soccer Club Discipline Committee for further consideration.

Inclement Weather

- Games abandoned due to inclement weather will be considered complete, if at least the first half of the game has been played in its entirety.

Reminder

- **Windsor Soccer Club's 50% rule still applies. Each player in attendance must play at least 50% of each half.**
- **Note:** It is the coach's responsibility to verify their own team's scores and standings throughout the day. The coach is also responsible for checking the final standings at the end of the day to determine if their team will be playing the next day.
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