



EODSA TOURNAMENT POLICY



In this document the word tournament will apply to both tournaments and festivals.

Grand-fathering Tournaments

Grand fathering of tournaments will be permitted provided that the host has confirmed their intent to operate the event. For greater clarity, this means that existing tournaments will continue to hold their tournament date each year.

Intent to operate must be received by the EODSA by March 1st for tournaments during the next outdoor season, and by August 01st for tournaments during the next indoor season. Failure to confirm the intent to operate may result in the loss of a tournament date.

Clubs that do not host their tournament in two consecutive years will not be guaranteed their original tournament dates.

Conditions of Approval

Tournament applications (TAF) must be made through Ontario Soccer's CTMS system.

Deadlines for completion and submission of the TAF to the EODSA are as follows:

Tournament Class	Deadline for Submission	OSA fee	EODSA fee
International	120 days prior to tournament date	\$125.00	50% of the highest registration fee charged by the host.
North American	120 days prior to the tournament date	\$ 25.00	
Inter-Provincial	90 days prior to the tournament date	\$ 25.00	
Inter-District	45 days prior to the tournament date	Nil	
District	45 days prior to tournament date	Nil	

TAFs will not be accepted after July 15th of the current season for outdoor tournaments or January 15th of the current season for indoor tournaments.

A Tournament Application Fee of 50% of the highest team entry fee will be charged to the

tournament host. This amount will be invoiced to the Club once the tournament application has been submitted. Payment of the invoice is due immediately.

New tournaments will be subject to a performance bond of the following value:

Number of teams in tournament	Commitment Bond
1-30 teams	\$100.00
31-100 teams	\$250.00
101-160 teams	\$500.00

Tournament Rules must be submitted with the application. It is the responsibility of the tournament host to ensure that their rules follow EODSA and Ontario Soccer Published Rules. The following outlines the required Tournament Rules:

- a) **Age Divisions:** list age divisions for the tournament including the proper year of birth.
- b) **Team Eligibility:** Indicate the type of teams being accepted into the tournament. If Mini teams are being accepted indicate the type of play. I.E. Full field, Mini field
- c) **Laws of the game:** Indicate that the tournament will be run in accordance with the F.I.F.A. Laws of the game and in accordance with O.S.A. and EODSAEODSA Published Rules.
- d) **Team Sheets:** are to be provided by the tournament host and are to be completed by each team prior to the start of the game.
- e) **Misconduct Reports:** are to be handed in to the Tournament Organizing Committee at the end of each game and must be forwarded to the EODSAEODSA within 48 hours of the completion of the game.
- f) **Facilities:** Indicate the facilities that are being used for the tournament including the number of fields.
- g) **Guest Players:** Indicate the number of guest players permitted in accordance with Ontario Soccer published rules.
- h) **Discipline:** The following statement must be included in the tournament rules:

All misconduct Reports will be dealt with by the Discipline Chair in accordance with Ontario Soccer Published Rules. Where permitted, requests for hearing will be accepted within 15 minutes of the completion of the game. In accordance with Ontario Soccer Published rules all decisions made by review are final. All Decisions made by hearing can be appealed to the Eastern Ontario District Soccer Association.

- i) **Protests:** Indicate the process for filing a protest (note that this is not an appeal)
- j) **Number of players dressed:** Specify the number of players permitted to be dressed.
- k) **Cancellation Policy:** Specify the tournament cancellation policy and refund policy;

make this very clear.

- l) **Substitutions:** Indicate when the tournaments will allow substitutions.
- m) **Tie Breakers:** Indicate the tournament rules for handling a tie.
- n) **Tardy or no-show teams:** Indicate the penalty for arriving late, as well as for teams who do not appear. Please use detail.

Ensure that the Tournament Supplementary Form is submitted with the Tournament application form.

Process of Approval

The EODSA will approve the tournament and where required it will be forwarded to Ontario Soccer for approval.

The EODSA will not sanction International and North American tournaments within 4 weeks of each other for the same age and gender.

The EODSA will not sanction 2 tournaments on the same day unless they are of different age and gender and the District Referee Coordinator confirms that there are sufficient Match Officials to cover both tournaments

Match Officials

The tournament host must include the name of the referee assignor on the Tournament Supplementary Form

Match Officials must only officiate games for which they are qualified.

Discipline

The tournament organizers must provide a Discipline Committee to be responsible for disciplinary matters that may arise during the event. The name of the Chairperson of said Committee must be submitted on the Tournament Supplementary Form.

Tournament Reports

The EODSA will provide the Tournament Report Form. The following are the deadlines for submitting the complete tournament report:

Requirement	Deadline
Referee Reports	Within 48 hours of the completion of the tournament.
Ontario Soccer Discipline Summary Form	Within 7 days of the completion of the tournament.
Tournament Report	Within 30 days of the completion of the tournament.

The EODSA tournament report form must be completed and include:

- a) A list of participating teams
- b) A list of teams failing to show or to play all games
- c) A complete summary of all serious injuries and the Accident/Injury Reports
- d) Tournament Scheduled and results, including referees used for each game. (Please include referees first and last names)
- e) All Travel Permits for teams outside the District

Tournament hosts are responsible for all discipline during their tournament. Discipline reports will be forwarded to the home District Association of the players for further action where necessary.

Failure to comply with the Tournament Report Requirements will result in the forfeiture of the bond. It may also result in further disciplinary action, an increase in commitment bond or removal of tournament privileges.

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