

TOWN & COUNTRY SPORTS COMPLEX OUTDOOR SOCCER GENERAL POLICIES & RULES

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General Guidelines:

- Roster is due before second played game. This is the captain/manager's responsibility!
- Games will start promptly at the scheduled time.
- Referee must be paid before the game: \$25/per team.
- Games will consist of two 35-minute halves for a total of 70 minutes. For serious injuries, the game may be cancelled or shortened.
- All teams must have an alternate jersey color in case of any conflicts. The home team will have to change if a color conflict arises. We will not supply pennies.
- All players must wear shin guards regardless of age.
- Fighting of any kind, whether it is by a player or a spectator, will not be tolerated and you will be asked to leave the premises. Play will not proceed until the player/spectator has left the area.

Days of play for T&C Outdoor Leagues (Spring, Summer, Fall)

League	# of players	Days of Play
Coed Open	9v9 (4 females as field players)	Thursday/Wednesday League or Saturday League
Mens 30	9v9	Mondays/Tuesdays
Mens 40	9v9	Saturdays
Mens Open	9v9	Sundays
High School Coed	9v9(4 females as field players)	Saturdays

Forfeits:

- If a team does not show up at the appointed time of the game, they will be charged with a loss and are required to pay the referee \$25.
- If the team that forfeits refuses to pay, the team or individuals may not use the field in which the game was to take place on for any purpose (scrimmage, practice). They will also not be able to play their next scheduled game until the ref fee has been paid.
- If both teams forfeit, each team must pay the referee fee of \$25.
- If a team fails to appear a second time, the team will be removed from the schedule and no refunds will be given.
- Forfeits with a 24-hour notice will not cost the teams any fees. The refs will be called prior to the day of the game.
- No games will be made up from forfeit games and no refunds will be given.

Coed Leagues:

- Coed leagues should have four (4) men and four (4) women and a goal keeper of either gender to make the nine (9) team members. Women may play in substitute of a man field player, but a man can't play for a woman. You must have seven (7) players present with at least three (3) women at game time in order for a forfeit not to occur.
- You must be at least 18 years of age to play in Coed Open, 30 years or older to play in Mens 30+, and 40 years or older to play in Mens 40+. Only two (2) players between 25 and 29 are permitted for Mens 30+, and only two (2) players between 35-39 are permitted for Mens 40+.
- There is **NO SLIDETACKLING** permitted. It is the referee's judgment whether the play is dangerous or not. Sliding to save a ball may be allowed. A free indirect kick will be given from the spot where the slide tackle occurred.
- In order to score you need a female player to touch the ball on the offensive half. Throw-in does not constitute touch.
- A female must take all offensive kicks and restarts on offensive half of the field.

Weather Procedures:

- As we all know the weather in the Greater Cincinnati area changes hourly, if we happen to cancel T&C Adult outdoor league games due to weather, advance notifications will be made one hour prior to kick-off. You can always call (859)442-5800 for up-dates.
- If thunder/lightning occurs during the game, take shelter off of the field!
 - The clock will continue to run in the event of thunder, lightning, or unsafe conditions and the game will resume once 30 minutes has expired without lightening or thunder. The referees are responsible for keeping time of the game. No time will be added to compensate for uncontrollable, poor weather thus the game will end when originally scheduled.
 - The game is considered complete if a half of the game is played (35 minutes) and the score will stand and referees will keep the ref fee.
 - The game is considered incomplete if less than a half of the game is played (35 minutes) and Town & Country will attempt to reschedule the game at a later date. *Referees will return the ref fee in this scenario because the game will be rescheduled and it is nearly impossible to schedule the same referees for the rescheduled game.*
- Regardless of the circumstances due to weather, the next league game should start at its designated time. No time should be added to any games unless it is the last game of the night, no events are scheduled immediately following the game, and the referees/players/employees agree to finish the game.

*Violations to rules may result in player suspension and/or team removal from the league.

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