



Kootenay Rovers “Get Your Boots On” Sam Steele Tournament Rules

The FIFA Laws of the Game shall be applied with the following exceptions

Substitutions

Substitutions shall be unlimited, unless otherwise specified by tournament administrators. Substitutions may be made only upon proper notification of the referee through the assistant referee, with the referee’s permission at the following times:

1. Prior to a throw-in by your own team
2. Prior to a goal kick by either team
3. After a goal by either team
4. After an injury by either team when the referee stops play
5. At the beginning of the second half or overtime periods

The substitute shall not enter the field of play until the player he is replacing has left, and then only after receiving a signal from the referee. Players may depart the field to the nearest sideline of end line but entering players may enter only from center field on the player side of the field.

Control of Sideline Conduct

Players, reserve players, managers, coaches and fans are expected to conduct themselves within the letter and spirit of “the laws of the game” and comply with KEYSA’s Code of Ethics.

Field Marshals will be present at each field. They have the authority and the responsibility to remove any person from the tournament for abuses of conduct, in addition to any specific disciplinary action brought about by any other authority. In addition to good manners, the following rules will apply to this tournament.

- A. The Field Marshal will designate **one sideline to be for the sole use of the players listed on the game roster and three managers/coaches from each team.** While the game is in progress, the manager/coaches and the reserve players must remain in their designated area and may not roam the sidelines. Therefore they must stay in the technical area.
- B. The Field Marshal will designate the opposite sideline for the spectators.
- C. Managers/coaches will be responsible for the behavior of their fans and the referee will have the authority to warn an ultimately send off any coach whose fans behave in an abusive or disruptive manner.

Scoring

Points will be awarded as follows:

1. 6 points for a win
2. 3 points for a tie
3. 1 point to winner of each game for goal differential to a maximum of 3 points per game. For eg, a team winning 4-2 will be awarded 2 points for goal differential.
4. 1 point for a shutout win (none for a nil draw)

In the event of a tie on number of points between any two teams for purposes of seeding or finish placement the result of any head to head matches will be considered and in the event the tie is not in that way broken the result will be decided by the flip of a coin.

Players' Equipment

Player equipment must conform to FIFA rules. Shin guards will be worn under socks by all players, be of approved material and offer a reasonable degree of protection. Any braces or casts will be allowed or disallowed at the discretion of the referee in accordance with Canadian Soccer Association Guidelines

No jewelry of any kind or taping will be allowed. All jewelry **MUST** be removed or the player will not be permitted to compete.

Uniforms

Teams will wear **uniforms** of matching design and color with a minimum of six-inch numbers affixed to the back of the uniform shirt. No two players may have identical uniform numbers while participating in any match.

- A. In the event of similar team colors, the designated home team will be required to change to a color accepted by the referee.
- B. The uniform of the goalkeeper must be distinctly different in color from the basic color of both competing teams and the referee.

The Duration of the Match

All games will consist of two – 30 minute halves a 5 minute half-time break, with discretion of the referee to add injury time or to shorten halves if necessary,.

Discipline

The Tournament Committee shall have a Discipline Committee of no less than three members. The Discipline Committee will review and rule on all reports of unacceptable conduct by players, managers, coaches, spectators, etc.

A player or manager/coach ejected or a player sent off with a red card will have at least a one-game suspension. The suspension will be served in the next scheduled tournament game. A player/coach may receive more than a one game suspension based on the severity of the actions.

Any coach ejected from a game must leave the field of play, and is barred from the playing area for the duration of the suspension.

An accumulation of three (3) yellow cards over the course of the tournament will result in the player being suspended for the next game.

Forfeits

A team may be allowed a 10-minute grace period from the scheduled game time before awarding the game to the opponent. A game shall be started as soon as the minimum number of players as required under the Laws of the Game is present. A forfeited game shall be recorded as 3-0 score in favor of the opponent.

Terminated Games

Games terminated for other than inclement weather, i.e, violent or uncontrollable situations will not be replayed. The score of the game at the time of termination will stand.

The Disciplinary Committee will make the decision as to the score of such games and whether teams advance, after receiving reports from game officials. The decision of the Committee will be final and binding on all parties.

Games will not be played in inclement weather if there is a possibility of injury to players or damage to the playing surface. Thus, in the event of inclement weather, the Tournament Director has the authority to:

1. Relocate or reschedule any game
2. Change the duration of any game. Games terminated for weather after half of play shall be considered official
3. Cancel any game or call any game in progress
4. Cancel the entire tournament for the safety of the players and the good of the playing fields

Protest

No Protests or disputes will be entertained. All decisions on the field are final

Abandonment

Any team that departs from the tournament without playing all scheduled games is considered to have withdrawn and forfeits any and all medals due, and is for scoring purposes considered to have lost every game 1-0.

These teams at the discretion of Tournament Director are also barred from reentry to tournament the following year.