

WVSA CHAPTER FIVE
RULES OF STATE CUP COMPETITION 01/16/02

5.1 RESPONSIBILITIES

The Cups and Games Committee of WVSA as established in the BY-LAWS 2.6.3 will administer all competitions sponsored by this association. The Cups and Games Committee may form sub committee's to administer each cup.

5.2 COMPETITIONS

5.2.1 Kohl's Cup

This association shall sponsor a competition for youth recreational league and club champion in the fall of each year. Teams must meet the USYS definition of a recreational team except for letter D.

5.2.1.1 Entry Requirements

1. The team has played a minimum of six games against WVSA registered opponents in its own or a higher age div.
2. All players on the roster must have played in at least one half the teams games.
3. The local league or club must complete all forms and pay the entry fee by the deadline.
4. No Team can have more than 1/2 its roster from outside the clubs home county. Players from outside the home county must be from within the clubs district.
5. The local league must pay all fees and submit team rosters by the deadline.
6. All rosters are frozen as of Oct. 1.
7. All cup entries must be postmarked by 10/15. (Postage meters not accepted)
8. Once a league or club champion has been declared, the roster for that team is frozen even if it is prior to 10/1.
9. Each league or club that enters the cup shall submit copies of its schedules, manner of determining its champion, the date the champion was declared and the method used for team formation and the WVSA Kohl's Cup Entry Eligibility Verification Form with each entry.
10. Each team that enters must have been formed by a random method that does not take into account ability.
11. Questions concerning who wants to travel to the Kohl's Cup or any other question based on the desire or ability to travel cannot be used in the team selection process,
12. The team may only honor requests for placement of the Head Coached children. Hardship exceptions may be granted by agreement from both the VP youth and the Kohl's Cup Chair.
13. The team coach and league or club registrar must verify that the team meets all requirements of 5.2.1.
14. If a club or league is found to have violated any part of 5.2.1 then the entry may be disqualified.
15. A team, U13 and older, which competes in this cup, may have T registered players on its roster according to the scale below.
 - a. T registered players must play recreational soccer in their home club or league or the club or league where they played the previous year.
 - b. All Star Recreation players from the past season will be subject to the scale below, unless they return to the same team as the previous fall
 - c. # of recreational teams Max # of T players

1	9
2	9
3	6
4	5
5	4
6	3
7	3
8	3
9	2
more than 9	2

16. A U11/12 team, which competes in this cup, may have T registered players on its roster according to the scale below.
- T registered players must play recreational soccer in their home club or league or the club or league where they played the previous year.
 - All Star Recreation players from the past season will be subject to the scale below, unless they return to the same team as the previous fall
 - # of recreational teams Max # of T players

1	6
2	6
3	5
4	4
5	3
6	3
7	2
more than 7	2

17. A U9/10 team, which competes in this cup, may have T registered players on its roster according to the scale below.
- T registered players must play recreational soccer in their home club or league or the club or league where they played the previous year.
 - All Star Recreation players from the past season will be subject to the scale below, unless they return to the same team as the previous fall
 - # of recreational teams Max # of T players

1	6
2	6
3	5
4	4
5	3
6	3
7	2
more than 7	2

5.2.1.2 ROSTERS

- Rosters; A U13 or older team, shall have no more than 18 and no less than 7 players.
- Rosters; A U12 team shall have no more than 16 and no less than 7 players.
- Rosters; A U10 team shall have no more than 12 and no less than 5 players.
- Rosters may contain players of a younger age div, but not of an older age div.
- Rosters must have players designated Travel (T) and Recreation (R).
- The number of T or All Star Recreational players may not exceed the number permitted by the scale in 5.2.1.11.b
- The number of T players may not be more than 1 player higher than the number of T players on all the other teams in the age group in the club.

5.2.1.3 Format, Venues and Awards

The cup committee shall determine the format of the competition, select the venues and determine the awards to be given.

5.2.1.4 Refusal of Entry / Disqualification

The Tide Cup Chair and the VP of Youth will rule on all matters of qualification of players and teams. They will make a recommendation to the committee for this cup. The Cup Committee may make an inquiry on its own or with a written signed complaint from a WWSA member. Any decision made to deny entry or remove a team or player from this cup may be appealed to the WWSA Cup Committee whose decision shall be binding.

5.2.1.5 Matters not Provided for

The committee for this cup shall rule on all matters not provided for in these rules.

5.2.2 **Open Cup**

This association shall sponsor a competition in the spring / summer of each year open to any WWSA registered team.

5.2.2.1 Entry Requirements

Teams must submit entries with the proper fee within the schedule set by the cup committee.

5.2.2.2 Rosters

Team rosters must be WWSA State Stamped for Open Cup and must have a majority of WV players.

5.2.2.3 Format, Venues and Awards

The cup committee shall determine the format of the competition, select the venues and determine the awards to be given.

5.2.2.4 Refusal of Entry / Disqualification

The Open Cup Chair and the VP of Youth will rule on all matters of qualification of players and teams. They will make a recommendation to the committee for this cup. The Cup Committee may make an inquiry on its own or with a written signed complaint from a WWSA member. Any decision made to deny entry or remove a team or player from this cup may be appealed to the WWSA Cup Committee whose decision shall be binding.

5.2.2.5 Matters not Provided for

The committee for this cup shall rule on all matters not provided for in these rules

5.2.3 **WWSA State Championship Cup**

This association shall sponsor a competition in the spring/summer open to all teams to determine the WWSA representation into Region One's Championships.

5.2.3.1 Entry Requirements

Teams must submit entries with the proper fee within the schedule set by the cup committee.

5.2.3.2 Rosters

Team rosters must be WWSA State Stamped for WV State Championship Cup and must have a majority of WV players and shall comply with all requirements of USYS.

5.2.3.3 Format, Venues and Awards

The cup committee shall determine the format of the competition, select the venues and determine the awards to be given.

5.2.3.4 Refusal of Entry / Disqualification

The Snickers Cup Chair and the VP of Youth will rule on all matters of qualification of players and teams. They will make a recommendation to the committee for this cup. The WV State Championship Committee may make an inquiry on its own or with a written signed complaint from a WWSA member. Any decision made to deny entry or remove a team or player from this cup may be appealed to the WWSA Championship Cup Committee whose decision may be appealed to USYS Region 1 Championship Cup Committee.

5.2.3.5 Matters not Provided for

The committee for this cup shall rule on all matters not provided for in these rules

5.2.4 Other Cups

The WWSA Cup Committee shall be responsible for developing such other competitions as directed by the WWSA BOD

5.3 Administrative Rules and Procedures

5.3.1 The Cup and Games Committee shall develop and publish such rules and administrative procedures as necessary for the operation of all WWSA competitions.

5.3.2 The rules and procedures will be published in the WWSA publications, manuals and placed on the web site.

5.3.3 Failure to comply with the rules may lead to fines, removal from the competition, suspensions or other penalties as determined by the committee.

- 5.4 Meetings and Decisions
 - 5.4.1 Meetings of the C&G Committee and any subcommittee may be held by conference call or in person.
 - 5.4.2 All decisions of the C&G Committee are final. WV State Championship Cup matters may be appealed to Region 1. Decisions of sub committees may be appealed to the C&G Committee.
- 5.5 Officials
 - 5.5.1 The SRA or the Referee Committee or their designees shall appoint all match officials for WWSA competitions.
 - 5.5.2 Match officials assigned to USYSA or USASA Regional competitions shall be appointed by the SRA or the Referee Committee.
- 5.6 Sponsorships
 - 5.6.1 The C&G Committee may develop sponsors for all WWSA 4 competitions within the requirements of existing WWSA, USYSA, USASA and or USSF sponsors.
 - 5.6.2 The President and Executive Director must approve all sponsorship contracts.
- 5.7 Venues
 - 5.7.1 Venue requirements must be checked with the WWSA office to ensure compliance with sponsor contracts.
 - 5.7.2 Venue selection shall be made on a two-year basis when possible.
- 5.8 Jurisdiction
 - 5.8.1 All players, coaches, team officials, administrators and spectators fall under the jurisdiction of the C&G Committee. Local clubs and leagues are responsible for the behavior of their members.
 - 5.8.2 Problems with players, coaches, team officials, administrators and spectators reported to the committee by the referee or by members of the WWSA BOD, WWSA Staff or the C&G Committee itself will be investigated. Hearings will be held in all cases in which disciplinary action is recommended.
 - 5.8.3 Local clubs or leagues may be declared ineligible to have its member teams enter WWSA competitions if they do not cooperate with WWSA investigations or do not control the behavior of their members.
- 5.9 Rules of Play- Shall be published prior to each cup.**
- 5.10 Precedence of Rules
 - Rules of the USSF, USASA AND USYSA supercede state rules.
- 5.11 Procedure Changes
 - These rules and Procedures may be changed or new rules added at any meeting of the WWSA BOD or the membership. It will take a majority vote of the members present to change or amend this chapter.