

MORTON BLAZE TOURNAMENT RULES

Tournament will be played in accordance with FIFA laws except as noted:

A: Point System: Win = 6 pts, Tie = 3 pts, Loss = 0 pts, Shutout = 1 pt to winning team

- 1) Winning team scores 1 pt per goal up to 3.
- 2) Forfeits will be scored 3-0 for 10 points to the winning team.

B: Qualification for Finals

- 1) Team with the most points in group
- 2) 4 and/or 5 team divisions may play a round robin schedule with the final standings based on the results
- 3) Tie breaker to determine teams advancing:
 - (1) head to head result
 - (2) Fewest goals allowed
 - (3) 1 round of penalty shots, 5 players, if still tied
 - (4) Single player rounds continues the penalty kick procedure

C: Forfeits

- 1) Teams more than 10 minutes late for a scheduled match
- 2) Teams with less than 7 players at the start of match
- 3) Match will be scored 3 to 0; with winning team awarded 10 points
- 4) A team forfeiting a match will be eliminated from further competition

D: Player/Coach/Spectator Location

- 1) Both teams and their coaches will be located on the same side of the field
- 2) Spectators will be on the opposite side of the field as the teams. No coaching from the sidelines will be allowed

E: Overtime for Trophy Matches

- 1) Teams will play 1 - 5 minute period, if still tied
 - 2) 1 round of penalty shots, 5 players, if still tied
 - 3) Single player rounds continues the penalty kick procedure
- Note: Players eligible for 2 and 3 are those on the field at the end of overtime

F: Player Registration - Including Guest Players

- 1) Current Player Pass (ID)
- 2) "Copy" of "current state approved roster" to be retained by the tournament
- 3) Copy of IYSA Emergency Medical Release and Liability Wavier to be retained by the tournament
- 4) IYSA Tournament Roster
- 5) A guest player must have all of the same information.
- 6) A maximum of 5 guest players per team.
- 7) Players may play for only one team during the tournament.
- 8) Coaches shall provide IYSA Tournament Guest Player Roster or applicable state form.
- 9) All US Club teams MUST provide a copy of their Proof of Insurance to participate in the tournament.
- 10) All Non IYSA affiliated teams MUST submit a form NT (US CLUB TEAMS MUST SUBMIT FORM NT)

G: Travel Permits

All "out of state teams" must provide a travel permit

H: General Match Information

- 1) Each match will be:
 - U12 and under, 2 - 25 minute halves with a 5 minute half-time
 - U13 and above, 2 - 30 minute halves with a 5 minute half-time
- 2) Ball size: U-8 thru U12 {size 4} U-13 thru U19 {size 5}
- 3) Participation awards will be given to all teams U10 and below

- 4) All matches will be a running time, clock will stop for major injuries
- 5) Players/coaches receiving a red card will be ineligible for the next match
- 6) Teams should be at the fields 30 minutes prior to scheduled start time
- 7) The coach is responsible for having medical waivers at the fields
- 8) Referee calls are final, no protests will be allowed
- 9) The tournament committee reserves the right to group age divisions
- 10) A \$75 cash fee must accompany any protest of tournament rules. The protest must be in writing and filed in a timely manner. If the protest is upheld, the fee will be returned.

The tournament rules committee shall consist of: Tournament Director, Referee Assignor, and Club President. Their decisions and/or interpretations are final.

I: Cancellation Policy

- 1) All teams are guaranteed 3 games.
- 2) If the tournament is cancelled prior to the start due to an “act of nature” that is confirmed by Illinois Youth Soccer Association, the tournament committee will refund the team’s application fee less 15%.
- 3) If the tournament is cancelled in its entirety prior to the start for any other reason, the entire application fee will be refunded.
- 4) If the tournament is underway and remaining games are cancelled due to an “act of nature” that is confirmed by Illinois Youth Soccer Association, the tournament committee will refund a percentage of the tournament’s application fee equal to the percentage of guaranteed games not played.

J: Pets and alcohol

- 1) All games are played on Morton Park District property. There are signs posted at the entrance. No Dogs or Alcohol Permitted.
- 2) We are very grateful to utilize the Park District facilities and do not want to jeopardize our relationship with them, so please obey these rules.
- 3) Auxiliary Police Officers will be on sight to monitor and if necessary Morton Police will be contacted.

ALL TEAMS MUST SUBMIT ALL REQUIRED PAPERWORK AND VALID PLAYING CARDS TO BE CONSIDERED IN GOOD STANDING AND ELIGIBLE FOR THE TOURNAMENT.

Age Group	Players on Field	Max Roster
U8 - U9	6	12
U10 - U12	8	14
U13 – U15	11	18
U16 – U19	11	22 (only 18 permitted to dress per match)

(*last updated 010211)

Inclement Weather Policy

In the case of severe weather the Tournament Director or the Referee Assignor may halt matches. If it is determined that the fields need to be cleared one long blast of the air horn will signal “clear the fields” and three short blasts will signal “all clear, return to fields”.

Casts

All casts must be approved by the Referee Assignor prior to the game. Casts must be wrapped in thick foam and taped securely. The Referee Assignor makes the final decision as to whether the wrapping of the cast is acceptable for play. The Referee Assignor can be found at the Referee tent located near the Registration Tent.