Hosted by Hilo AYSO Region 274, Hilo, Hawaii, USA

Hilo AYSO 2022 Volcano International Soccer Tournament
Tournament Rules

CATEGORY	RULE
1) JURISDICTION	A. Unless otherwise noted, the current AYSO National Rules and Regulations, Section 7 and FIFA Laws of the game will be used for this tournament. The following rules are intended specifically for this tournament only. B. The Tournament Director will have jurisdiction over all games played. Disputes will be resolved by the end of the soccer day. C. Referee judgment calls are NOT subject to dispute or protest! D. In the event of any concern, question, or dispute the Tournament Director has the discretion to resolve the matter as they see fit. If a party in a dispute is not satisfied with the decision a protest may be submitted. See Section 22.
2) FEES	A. Entry fee must accompany tournament application and will be returned if application is not accepted. Fee must be a single check issued from the respective Region /Organization Account (no personal checks). B. Fees are: 10U - $450 (No Referee Deposit) 12U - $450 (No Referee Deposit) 14U - $500 (No Referee Deposit) 19U - $500 (No Referee Deposit)
3) ACCEPTANCE	A. Applications are due by June 25th, 2022 B. Applications will be accepted on a first-come basis, based on completed application (see Team Application Form for criteria). Teams will be notified by email within 48 hours of the receipt of their applications. C. Teams not accepted into the tournament will be offered the opportunity to be placed on a waiting list or have their application returned within 48 hours. D. The primary form of communication between the Tournament and applying teams will be email and the Tournament website. Teams must designate a Team Contact on their application who has email and Internet access.
4) REFUNDS	A. Teams withdrawing 30 days or more before the tournament will be issued a full refund. B. Teams withdrawing less than 30 days before the start of the tournament will only be issued a refund if a replacement team can be found. C. If the tournament is canceled and cannot be rescheduled a full refund will be issued. D. Payments to referees will be sent via mail or Venmo no later than 14 days after the end of the tournament. Referee payments will be allocated as instructed by said referee in the Referee Information Form.
5) RAINOUT/ CANCELLATION	A. Should the tournament be rained out on the original date, it will not be rescheduled. Refunds will be provided as noted in sub-category 4.C above less the costs of any pre-ordered items which were not included in the registration fee. These pre-ordered items will be sent to the team. B. If the tournament is cancelled due to weather after partially completing and it cannot be rescheduled to be completed, refunds will be made to teams on a prorated basis, based on the number of actual games played. C. If the tournament cannot be held due to weather or other conditions beyond the control of the tournament hosts, then a full refund will be sent to all teams, less the cost of any pre-ordered items which were not included in the registration fee. These pre-ordered items will be sent to the team.
6) PLAYERS/TEAMS	A. Players on participating teams must be properly registered in AYSO or in their respective organization, and have played in the current membership year (i.e. 2021/2022). Coaches are responsible to ensure that all players meet eligibility requirements. B. The team roster must be verified and approved by each player's Regional Commissioner or Organization President/Registrar. Roster changes may be submitted (with the written approval of the Regional Commissioner or Organization President/Registrar); however, these changes must be received by the Tournament Registrar prior to the tournament. There will be no roster changes allowed on tournament day. C. Three Guest Players (players from a different Region/Organization from the applying team's Region) will be allowed for each team in the 10U and 12U divisions. Four guest players will be allowed in the 14U and 19U divisions. Guest Players are required to have the approval of both the Guest Player's Regional Commissioner/Organization President and the Host Team Regional Commissioner/Organization President (see Guest Player Form). D. Coed teams will be accepted; however they must play in the boy's divisions only. E. Divisions 19U will play 11-v-11, and there will be a roster limit of 18 players per team. Division 14U will play 11-v-11, and there will be a roster limit of 16 players per team.

	Division 12U will play 9-v-9, 12U Boys Roster Limit: 13 Division 10U will play 7-v-7, and there will be a roster limit of 10 players per team. F. All players, both AYSO and Non-AYSO, must play at least half of each game. Violation of these player rules exposes a team to protest and renders them subject to forfeiture of game and possible disqualification at the discretion of the Tournament Director. A player's participation in half of each game may occur on the field, in the goal, or some combination of both. G. Depending upon the division players may be limited to the amount of time they are placed at the goal keeper position. 1. 10U division – A team member may not play goal keeper for more than one quarter per game. 2. 12U division – A team member may not play goal keeper for more than two quarters per game. 3. 14U and 19U division – No limit to the number of quarters the goal keeper position may be played. H. Goal keepers in the 10U and 12U divisions cannot be switched at any time other than at the quarter and halftime breaks, at the completion of a tie game, or by the referee due to an injury. The switching of goal keepers in the 10U and 12U divisions during penalty kicks, free kicks, or corner kicks is prohibited. Switching of goal keepers in the 14U and 19U divisions is allowed during any break in the game.
7) COACHES	A. Each team is limited to one Head Coach and one Assistant Coach only (must have two coaches). These coaches must be the ones listed on the Official Team Roster. B. Each AYSO Coach must have a current season volunteer form on file with the NSTC, provide their AYSO Identification Number and be Safe-Haven certified. None AYSO coaches must have cleared background check on file with their organization as well have taken both the SafeSport and Concussion Course within the last 12 months. C. Both Head Coach and Assistant Coach must have Certifications as follows: 10U: U-10 Certification or higher 12U – 19U: Youth Certification or higher D. Coaches are expected to set the example for their team in exhibiting proper AYSO behavior and Kids Zone behavior. Coaches are expected to remain in the technical area during games and only enter the field of play as requested by the referee.
8) REFEREES	A. Referees will either be <u>paid</u> or unpaid <u>volunteers</u>. <u>Referee deposits will no longer be taken</u>. If a referee wishes to participate in the tournament they have the option to be paid directly for they games they work, have their payment be directed to a particular team or club, or volunteer their time to the tournament and not be paid. B. All referee applications must be submitted by July 1st, 2022 and be completed in full with proper signatures. Applications not completed in full and submitted by the due date may not be accepted. C. Every referee must be AYSO or USSF certified. Game assignments will be dependent upon the certification level of the referee. D. Only the diagonal system of control will be used to referee the games. E. Referees for 19U games must be AYSO National or equivalent USSF level. Referees for 14U games must be AYSO Advanced or equivalent USSF level or above. Referees for 12U games must be Intermediate or equivalent USSF level or above. Referees for 10U games must be Regional or equivalent USSF level or above. F. Youth referees (center referees) must be at least 2 years older than the age group they are refereeing. G. All referees must be in full Uniform as defined by AYSO and USSF, including the Referee Badge. Referees not in uniform will not be permitted to referee games but their referee payment for the assignment may be forfeited. H. If all assignments are successfully completed the referee payment will be made as instructed by the referee on the Referee Information Form. I. Referees are expected to check in at the Referee Station at least 40 minutes prior to their assigned game. Failure to appear on time may result in a replacement referee crew being assigned to the field. Once a replacement crew has been assigned, they will have priority and the original crew must report to the Referee station for alternative assignment. J. Referees will be expected to uphold the tournament rules, AYSO guidelines and FIFA laws. Any failure of the referee to uphold these rules may be cause for dismissal from the tournament, and place any referee payments earned to that point in jeopardy. K. Referee payments will be distributed within 14 days of the tournament based upon the number, position, and division of the games worked. L. The payment schedule for referee assignments worked will be: 10U: Center Referee - $20 Assistant Referee - $10.00 12U: Center Referee - $30 Assistant Referee - $15.00

	14U: Center Referee - $35 Assistant Referee - $18.00 19U: Center Referee - $45 Assistant Referee - $23.00
9) FIELDS	A. All fields will be set up and taken down by the tournament staff. B. Trash cans will be provided at each field. Teams will be expected to clean up all trash in their area before leaving. C. Please observe the following Facility Use Rules while attending the tournament; use designated parking areas only. No parking on any grassy area.
10) FORMAT	A. This is a pool-play tournament. Each age division will be bracketed into playing pools B. Each team will play a minimum of 3 games (4 games on average) during the tournament. Where there are sufficient teams, divisions will also be separated into multiple competition flights. C. Teams will advance from qualifying pools based on pool play standings points. Number of teams advancing per pool will be determined by the number of pools in the division.
11) CHECK-IN	A. Teams must check in 1 hour prior to their first game, and must present Game Cards for as many games as the team will play in the tournament (including medal-round games). The Game Cards must be properly completed with the players first and last name and jersey number listed. The players listed on the game cards must match the approved roster submitted with the team's application. B. Each coach or team representative must provide AYSO/Organization Player Registration forms with original ink signatures for verification by tournament officials. C. Coaches must have these Player Registration forms with them at all times and ready for presentation to Tournament Officials. D. Late arriving players must be escorted to the check-in station by a team official along with their Player Registration Form and be cleared by the Tournament Staff before participating in any games.
12) FIELD MONITORS	A. There will be a tournament Field Monitor assigned to each field, and will report to the Tournament Field Director. Field Monitors will check in teams prior to each game, and present the verified game cards to the match referees. B. At the conclusion of the game, the match referees must return the completed game cards to the Field Monitor. C. Field Monitors will be the first to respond to any incidents or injuries, and will be in contact with the rest of the tournament staff by radio. Tournament participants are encouraged to report any concerns immediately to the Field Monitor, and also to respectfully follow any instructions given by the Field Monitor.
13) GAMES	A. Pool play games will consist of 25 to 40 minute halves depending on the age division (see chart below) with a ten minute half time. There will be a running clock during the match including substitutions. The game will be stopped approximately in the middle of each half for a two minute water break. The clock will not stop during this break. Games will expect to end on time, and may be shortened if they started late. Pool play games may end in a tie. B. Championship games will be full length for that division (see chart below). Championship games will be played until there is a winner (see Medal Round rules below). C. Game duration shall be as follows: Division / Pool Play / Semi, Final Rounds 10U: / 20 minute running half / 25 minute running half 12U: / 25 minute running half / 30 minute running half 14U: / 30 minute running half / 35 minute running half 19U: / 35 minute running half / 40 minute running half D. Pool play, semi-finals, and final rounds will be played on a running clock each half. The game will be stopped approximately in the middle of each half for a two minute water break. The clock will not stop during this break. At the end of the first half a halftime break will occur for 10 minutes. At the end of the half time break the second half will begin. E. The "home" team will be the first team or top team listed on the game schedule and will be responsible for providing the game ball. The home team will be situated on the North or East side of the field, and the visitor will be situated on the South or West side. Spectators must remain on the side of the field designated for their team. The home team will change jerseys or don pinnies in the event of a color conflict with the visitor team. If any questions, the referee will determine whether this is necessary. F. There will be no warming up on the field. Teams must warm up prior to taking the field. As soon as the previous game has ended, teams must clear the field and the teams for the next game must take their places. G. FORFEITS: Teams must check in at the designated Field Coordinator Station 30 minutes prior to the start of the game. There will be a ten-minute grace period at the start of the game for a team to take the field before a forfeit is declared. The score for a forfeit match will be 1-0 for the remaining team (See STANDINGS for the points to be awarded). For 10U division teams, there is a minimum of 5 players on the field to continue a game. For 12U the minimum number is 6 players. For all other divisions, there must be a minimum of 7 players to continue a game. If a team cannot field the minimum number of players, the game will be abandoned and a forfeit will be declared.

	H. SUSPENDED GAMES: The Tournament Committee may determine to end matches early if field schedule is behind due to game delays, interference, or if weather conditions provide unsafe conditions; and may distribute awards according to games played and points. The Tournament Committee will determine the outcome of any single game which is terminated prematurely (due to inclement weather, participant injury, or interference by outside party, etc.). I. ABANDONED GAMES: if any pool play games cannot be played due to circumstances beyond the control of the tournament, the final standings of the pool will be determined by applying the Winning Percentage formula (Total Points Earned in all Game Played divided by Total Points Possible for the Number of Games Played) to each team in the pool. Note. This does not apply to games which were shortened due to late a late start. Only the Tournament Director or designee can declare a game to be abandoned or not played.
14) SUBSTITUTIONS	A. Substitutions shall be allowed approximately mid-way through each half for divisions 10U through 14U and will be recorded on the game cards by the referee. Substitutions may occur at any break in the game for the 19U division and will be recorded on the game cards by the referee B. All substitutions must be approved and recognized by the referee. Substitutions may be made for injured players; however, they may not return until the beginning of the next quarter and will be considered as having played the current quarter (exception: an injured player not replaced may return to play at any time with the referee's permission). C. Substitutions in all overtime periods of medal round matches will be at the beginning of the periods only.
15) STANDINGS	A. Team standings for 10U-19U determined by the following point system: WIN = 8 points TIE = 3 points LOSS = 0 points SHUTOUT = 1 point (for an earned shutout, including a 0-0 tie) SPORTSMANSHIP = 1 point (must obtain 26 of 32 sportsmanship points or higher) FORFEIT = 10 points (scored as a 1-0 win including shutout point and sportsmanship point) MAXIMUM POINTS = 10 points (8 points for a win, 1 point for a shutout, 1 point for sportsmanship) LESS THAN 26 SPORTSMANSHIP POINTS, TWO YELLOW OR ONE RED CARD = 0 POINTS (The referee team will rate sportsmanship and assign points based on categories on the back of the game card) B. 10U – 19U: Ties will be recorded as such in pool play C. Tie breaker in 10U-19U at the end of pool play will be determined as follows: 1. Head to head competition 2. Goal differential (total goals scored less total goals allowed, maximum 3 goal differential per game) 3. Goals allowed (maximum 3 per game) 4. Goals scored (maximum 3 per game) 5. Sportsmanship points 6. Coin toss D. 10U – 19U teams will be graded for sportsmanship by the referee teams on categories listed on the back of the game card. Coaches should familiarize themselves with the categories and share this information with players and supporters. Game Cards will be distributed to teams prior to the tournament. Teams will be graded on all pool games. There will be an overall Sportsmanship Award for both Boys and Girls Divisions.
16) ADVANCEMENTS	A. Pool winners (and in some cases wildcard teams) will advance to medal round play. B. Teams will play semi-final and/or championship final matches, depending on the number of teams in each pool and the format of play for that flight.
17) MEDAL-ROUNDS	A. All medal round matches ending in a tie will have two full overtime periods of five minutes in length with teams changing field direction after the first five minute period. In these matches, if still tied after overtime play, the game shall be decided by FIFA kicks from the penalty mark.
18) AWARDS	A. Medals will be presented to coaches and players from the first-place and second-place teams in all divisions and to the sportsmanship winner of these divisions. B. Participation medals will be presented to each player and coach in the 10U division that do not receive a 1st or 2nd place medal.
19) CONDUCT	A. All Coaches will be expected to set a positive example for the team, and will be held responsible for the actions of their team including spectators. All spectators must remain behind the control line and between the 18-yard lines. Two coaches maximum per team, and they must remain in the marked coaching area (within ten yards either way from midfield). B. At the conclusion of each match, the referees will indicate on the reverse of the game cards any point deductions for poor sportsmanship. Point deductions will be used as tie-breakers should that become necessary. Referees will be required to complete a game misconduct report for <u>all</u> misconducts during the game, as well as any incidents of interference by spectators.

	C. Any coach or spectator ejected must immediately leave the vicinity of the playing field (out of sight and sound) and will be prohibited from attending the next scheduled game. Any player sent off (red carded) must immediately leave the vicinity of the game (under supervision of their parent or Safe Haven-certified adult), and may not return to the field of play during the current game, including for the post-game handshake, and may not be substituted for, and is suspended from participation in the next game. There will be penalty point deductions for all send-offs (see Standings rules). D. Any violent conduct red card or ejection will result in that player/coach/spectator being barred from the remainder of the tournament. E. If it is determined that an ineligible player has participated in a game, the team will forfeit all games in which that player participated illegally. Furthermore, if it is determined that the coach knowingly played a player illegally, that coach will be barred from further participation in the tournament. F. It is mandatory to play a scheduled game. If it is determined that a coach willfully fails to have his team participate in a scheduled game, the coach will be dismissed from the tournament and the incident will be reported to the respective Regional Commissioner or Organization President/Registrar. G. All conduct problems will be reported to the respective Regional Commissioner or Organization President/Registrar. H. All Serious Incidents will be reported to the respective Regional Commissioner as well as Area, Section and National Office parties or appropriate Organization Official.
20) MEDICAL/FIRST AID	A. There will be a First Aid station at the main tent where participants may receive ice, etc. for minor injuries. B. There will be a roving first aid response staff member to respond to injuries on the field. Field Monitors will communicate via radio to call the first aid staffer to the field where first aid is requested. C. If an injury is serious, the first aid staffer or Safety Director will have a mobile phone to call 911 for emergency response. D. Directions to the nearest hospital/urgent care center will be available at the First Aid station.
21) UNIFORMS/SAFETY	A. All AYSO players must wear the approved AYSO uniform only. All players on the same team must wear matching uniforms (goalkeeper excepted – may have a different jersey – for AYSO, the logo is recommended but not required). B. Each player's uniform must be marked with a permanently-affixed unique number that matches the uniform number on the Game Card, and may not exchange numbered jerseys with any other player during the game including the goalkeeper. C. Garments may be worn under the uniform (i.e. long sleeves, etc.) during inclement weather, however the match referee will be the judge of what should be allowed or not. D. No player will be allowed to participate in any game with any type of cast or splint. Removal of any type of cast or splint at the field or surrounding area in order to participate shall disqualify the team member from participation. E. AYSO will not prohibit the use of knee braces by players in AYSO events and programs providing that the brace is adequately covered and padded in the judgment of the referee, so as to eliminate the possibility of its causing injury to the other players on the field.
22) PROTESTS	A. Protests will be considered only for the following reasons: • An ineligible player has played. • One or more registered player(s), present and in uniform, has not played the required one half of the game (except for illness or injury as recorded by the game referee). B. All protests must be presented in writing to the Tournament Director within 1/2 hour of the completion of the game. C. All protests will be heard by a Protest Committee of at least three persons selected by the Tournament Director. In all cases, the members of the Protest Committee will be unrelated to either team involved in the protest. <u>All protest decisions are final.</u> D. Referee judgment calls are <u>final</u> and are not grounds for nor subject to protest or dispute.
23) RULES INTERPRETATION	The Tournament Director retains the right to interpret and apply the tournament rules to the optimum benefit of all tournament participants. The Tournament Director does not have the right to interpret the Laws of the Game and AYSO Modification to the Laws of the Games unless they are the appropriate "Director of Referee Instruction"
24) SPORTSMANSHIP COMPETITION	A. In addition to competing to be the overall winner of the tournament, teams will be competing to be the Best Sportsmanship Team. There will be a Sportsmanship Winner in each age division, as well as an Overall Best Sportsmanship Team for the team with the highest overall sportsmanship points in the tournament. B. A more detailed explanation of the Sportsmanship competition will be provided to referees and teams in a separate handout. C. At the conclusion of each game, Referees will score players, coaches and team spectators in different categories. D. The Winners will be announced at the end of Pool Play.

25) PLAYER AGE CUTOFF	The Volcano International Soccer Tournament has adopted the age cutoff date of December 31st as mandated by US Soccer. The year the player was born will determine the division to which they may participate. Please see the table below. Year Born - Division 2013 - 10U Division 2012 - 10U Division 2011 - 12U Division 2010 - 12U Division 2009 - 14U Division 2008 - 14U Division 2003 – 2007 - 19U Division