# **TDCAA SOCCER Booklet 2022**

# **INDOOR SOCCER**

## PART A: SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

### Ontario Physical Activity Safety Standards in Education (OPASSE)

All coaches must review and follow the most recent copy of the <u>OPASSE GUIDELINES</u> for the sport they are coaching (under Secondary, Interschool)

Please take special note of the following requirements associated with:

- Risk Management
- First Aid
- Special Rules/Instructions
- Supervision
- Coaches Expectations & Qualifications (for further information on sport specific NCCP training, visit <u>www.coach.ca</u>)
- Excursion/Permission Forms: <u>TCDSB</u> <u>OPHEA SAMPLE</u>

#### **Concussion Awareness and Safety**

In accordance with Policy/Program Memorandum No. 158, the TDCAA will follow and support the mandates of Rowan's Law. The following must occur annually, at the commencement of the athletic season:

a) coaches must complete the on-line TDCAA Coaches Concussion Code of Conduct

b) coaches will have student athletes review and follow a Concussion Code of Conduct:

TCDSB Student Code of Conduct (in section 8)

**OPHEA's Sample Code of Conduct** 

c) coaches will provide Ontario Concussion Awareness Resources to student athletes and parents: <u>Concussion Guides for Athletes and Parents</u>

In the event of a suspected concussion convenors, coaches, and student athletes must follow an established Return to Play Protocol.

Note: TCDSB has established <u>Concussion Return to Play Protocols</u> for its students and coaches to follow. Non TCDSB participants should reference their Board's or <u>OPHEA's Concussion Protocols</u>

Coaches may find it useful to have a recognized <u>Sport Concussion Recognition Tool</u> with them for practices and competition.

### Supervision – Visiting Teams

Each school along with the coach should be aware of the local policy in each school regarding visitors.

In situations where teams are specifically bringing fans (fan bus) appropriate supervision from all participating schools that does not include the team coach(es) must be provided. Communication with school administration of participating schools is prudent in these situations.

## PART B: FROM TDCAA CONSTITUITION

TDCAA Indoor Soccer Soccer is an official TDCAA activity. Soccer follows OPHEA/OPASSE, OFSAA, and the FIFA Rule Book. This will be the official governing rule book governing play.

#### **REGISTRATION**

Schools must register for Girls & Boys Indoor Soccer at the designated time. A school may withdraw its team before distribution of the final schedule. The school will be charged only the \$25.00 registration fee.

A school who withdraws its team after the schedule has been distributed will assume the following actions:

- Automatic \$100 fine.
  - Automatically ineligible for competition in soccer (indoor) the following year. (This can be appealed to the TDCAA executive).

#### **ELIGIBILITY/TRANSFERS**

Eligible athletes must satisfy the By-Laws and Standing Rules as per the TDCAA Constitution.

- All eligibility shall be completed electronically through HUB which is coordinated through the OFSAA office. Athletic Directors have the code for their schools to access OFSAA HUB.
- Eligibility must be completed before the first league game. (It is recommended that registration be completed before first practice). In a single day meet or tournament format, eligibility must be filed at least three days prior to the meet or tournament.
- Athletes as well as coaches must be included on the HUB site.
- Approved transfers are included on the eligibility form. Athletes who have not been approved must not be included until the athlete has been approved.

- All students who transfer into your school (excluding Grade 9-first year of high school) are ineligible for competition for a period of twelve months from the date of transfer. To become eligible, transfer students must complete the "TRANSFER APPEAL FORM" and forward to the TDCAA Transfer Chairperson (Lorraine Kelly – Senator O'Connor or Tavia Ferreira – St. John Paul II). An athlete awaiting Transfer Appeal decision is ineligible to play in any games (league or exhibition or tournament). This athlete may practice with the team until the transfer has been approved and the athletic director has been notified.
- A student who transfers into your school in second semester is ineligible to compete in winter sports (Alpine Skiing; Snowboarding; Swimming; Jr & Sr. Girls' Volleyball, Boys' & Girls' Hockey, and Jr. & Sr. Boys' Basketball even if their transfer is approved.
- An athlete whose transfer is denied has the right to appeal the decision to the TDCAA Transfer Appeal Board.

#### ELIGIBILITY/AGE

- Open
- Eligibility for the TDCAA and OFSAA is based on the athlete's year of birth. An athlete is eligible to compete in high school sports <u>for five years</u> from the time they entered grade nine and were born in 2000 or later. Athletes must meet both requirements.

#### <u>There is no appeal to this rule.</u> <u>Please link to TDCAA website for dates for each new school year.</u>

#### **ELIGIBILITY / ACADEMICS**

An athlete must be a bona fide student at their school.

#### Students With Less Than 22 Credits:

-non-semester schools – must be registered in a minimum of six (6) full day school credit courses.

-semester schools– must be registered in a minimum of three (3) full day credit courses in the semester that Field Hockey takes place (Fall).

#### Students With More Than 22 Credits:

-non-semester schools – must be registered in a minimum of four (4) full day school credit courses

-semester schools – must be registered in a minimum of two (2) full day credit courses in the semester that field hockey takes place (Fall).

#### LEAGUE STRUCTURE

A) START TIME: Tournament format (3 - 4 games)

- B) MAXIMUM NUMBER OF GAMES 16 (Season and Playoffs)
- C) AWARDS In sports where there are less than six teams, only gold medals will be presented.
- D) DEFAULTED GAME If a team defaults a regular season game, they will not be eligible for playoffs. A school may appeal the decision to the TDCAA Executive provided there were extenuating circumstances.
- E) CANCELLATION OF SCHOOL BUSES If the TCDSB cancels buses for weather conditions, all scheduled games are automatically cancelled

## PART C: SPORT SPECIFIC INFORMATION

#### **CONVENOR INFORMATION**

Convenor - Brett Connors brett.connors@tcdsb.org

Convenor - Christian Martinuzzi - christian.martinuzzi@tcdsb.org

#### ASSIGNOR INFORMATION

Referees for all boys' games will be appointed by Ian Aidar, Referee-in-Chief, in consultation with Brett Connors. Ian will make himself available directly for any concerns regarding officiating. Please make your request for his number through Brett Connors and Christian Martinuzzi.

Referees for all girls' games will be appointed by Phil Papanicolaou, Referee-in-Chief, in consultation with Christian Martinuzzi. Phil will make himself available directly for any concerns regarding officiating. Please make your request for his number through Christian Martinuzzi and Brett Connors.

#### MATCH OFFICIAL FEES

The match official fee for half hour games is \$25.00 per team – cash or cheque made out to "Soccer Referee".

The match official fee for forty-minute games is \$30.00 per team – cash or cheque made out to "Soccer Referee."

#### AWARDS

A championship banner and gold medals will be presented to the champions. Silver medals will be presented to the runner-up.

#### PLAYER'S UNIFORM AND EQUIPMENT

All players must wear *shin-guards*. Players must wear numbers on the back of their jerseys. Each player shall have a different number that matches the player's name and number listed on the roster form. All player equipment is subject to the referee's approval. Players are highly encouraged to wear soccer cleats (rubber or plastic studs) or indoor soccer shoes with rubber grips.

#### Each team is responsible for:

- A properly inflated **FIFA size 5** approved soccer ball (game ball)
- FIRST AID EQUIPMENT
- Official GAME SHEET filled in and presented to the referee before the start of the game.
- Soccer **PINNIES** of a different colour from their jersey.

#### **SUPERVISION**

#### Safety Protocols from the TCDSB:

- Coaches please instruct your players to arrive a half hour before kickoff time.
- Each school will be assigned one changeroom by the facility. The head coach must leave behind a set of keys in order to receive a key to the changeroom. Please do not leave your keys with any players.
- We encourage players to come dressed to participate and not have to use changerooms to change (i.e. wear their track pants over their shorts) change rooms are not locked anymore so teams must bring their belongings to the field.
- Each team is assigned one bleacher section to keep their belongings on and to sit and eat.
- Designating warm up areas for the teams not playing (i.e. sidelines or end lines) avoid multiple teams in common areas.
- Coaches ensure teams stay on their designated sides. Coaches must supervise their students at all times and no congregating in common areas, etc.
- Coaches must include a **safety plan**: an isolation area in case someone becomes ill while in attendance and the procedure for pickup.
- No student spectators are permitted. Only parents and siblings are allowed as spectators.

#### **SCHEDULING**

#### GENERAL PLAY

- 1. All games will consist of two teams, each with 5 players and a goalkeeper on the field at one time.
- 2. Season games (4 or more games) will consist of 30 minutes (two 15-minute halves) in duration. Minimal injury time can be added to the length of the game.
- 3. Season and playoff games (3 or less) will consist of 40 minutes (two 20-minute halves) in duration.
- 4. The ball will be kicked in for all re-starts from the sideline and/or goal line.
- 5. Unlimited substitutions will be allowed within 1 meter of the team bench. The player being substituted will leave the field of play before another enters the field of play. Goalkeeper substitutions must be made during a stoppage in play.

- 6. Fouls may result in a 2-minute penalty. Players may be kept off the field for periods longer than two minutes based on the referee's discretion. A ref has the right at any time to decide to keep a player off the field of play, this is generally decided when a player's behavior/play is deemed inappropriate for school soccer and an extended cooling off period is necessary. The team however will only be short for the two minutes, after that another player will be substituted on. Players shown a red card will be ejected from the game and the team will incur a (5) five-minute penalty (see "Disciplinary Action" section for further details).
- 7. All free kicks are indirect, except for penalty kicks. Teams are expected to set up their wall 5 yards away from the kick. Infringing on this area and blocking a shot or pass will result in a two-minute penalty. Penalty kicks can only be taken by a player on the field at the time the penalty is awarded.
- 8. Slide tackling is not permitted and may result in a yellow card or red card.
- 9. Spitting and foul language is not permitted and may also result in a yellow or red card.
- 10. Any rules not listed above will be governed by the OSA indoor regulations and rules.

#### **FORFEITING OF GAMES**

Teams who provide less than two days' notice to withdraw from a seeding tournament or playoff game will still be charged for the field and the officiating costs. TDCAA will discuss sanctioning the school for the outdoor season, especially if the school is a repeat offender.

#### POINTS FOR WIN/TIE/LOSS

WIN = 3 POINTS TIE – 1 POINT LOSS – 0 POINTS

#### **REPORTING SCORES & GAME SHEETS**

SCORE RESULTS OF ALL GAMES MUST BE REPORTED BY BOTH TEAMS (by 12:00pm the next day) to:

- 1) TDCAA WEBSITE JOE SILEIKA tdcaascores@gmail.com
- 2) STANDINGS PETER MORRIS morrisis@sympatico.ca
- 3) CONVENOR BRETT CONNORS brett.connors@tcdsb.org
- 4) CONVENOR CHRISTIAN MARTINUZZI christian.martinuzzi@tcdsb.org

#### GAME SHEETS

#### Please send your game sheets by courier to Christian Martinuzzi at Michael Power/St. Joseph.

Email: christian.maritnuzzi@tcdsb.org

Tel: (416) 393-5529 (School) – Physical Education Department

(416) 416-670-0261 (Personal Cell) – do not call under a private number.

Please make sure game sheets are filled out for each game---team name, date, players with their numbers, goal scorers, fouls committed, name and signature of the coach, official's name, OSA# and signature of official. Please take a picture of the game sheet for your own records, after the official has signed it.

#### **DISCIPLINE - EJECTIONS**

#### CONDUCT AND BEHAVIOUR

All participants (players, coaches, officials, and spectators) are expected to conduct themselves in a respectful manner as we are all ambassadors for our schools, community, and the sport of soccer. Under no circumstances are teams to be left unattended while in the facility. It is the responsibility of the coach and/or staff advisor to ensure that students are behaving appropriately. Failure to do so could result in your team being suspended from the league.

#### SEND OFFS

We remind you that any player who receives a **RED** card from the referee must sit out the next game. As well, three yellow cards (cumulative) to a player will result in a one game suspension. Please contact **Brett Connors** (416) 277-0074 or Christian Martinuzzi (416-670-0261) to report all Red Cards issued in your game. All coaches are also asked to report players sent off in their games even if it's the opposing team. Also, please ensure that the game sheets are properly filled in by the referee, indicating **SEND OFFS (red card)** where issued.

#### **TCDSB DISCIPLINARY ACTION**

Any player red carded will be sent off and the team will play with one player less for 5 minutes. The red-carded player will automatically miss the next match and have to appear in front of the TDCAA Disciplinary Committee (David DiMauro and Paul Solarski). Depending on the violation the TDCAA Disciplinary Committee may suspend for longer than one game.

**There is a zero-tolerance policy for fighting**. Any player involved in a physical altercation of any kind will be suspended for the remainder of the season and banned from play-offs. We ask that coaches make this explicitly clear to all players prior to the start of the season. It will be up to the TDCAA Disciplinary Committee to override this ruling in the case of reasonable self- defense. Any player leaving the bench during an altercation will be given an automatic red card, if the entire bench enters the playing field then each player will be shown a red card and face a TDCAA disciplinary hearing.

#### CAUTIONS

The referee may order a player be substituted for immediately if he feels that player is violating the safe conduct of the game. The player may return to the field of play at the referee's discretion. Please be supportive of the referee's decision to make this call, he is empowered to do so to control the game in a manner he feels is necessary to protect the safety of the players.

#### **SUBSTITUTION**

May occur at any time but players must be within a meter of the bench.

#### PLAYOFF FORMAT FOLLOWING LEAGUE PLAY

Your convener will send you information regarding playoff formats.

#### **TIE BREAKING – STANDINGS - PROCESS**

- Winning Percentage
- Overall points
- Head to head
- Most games won during pool play
- Goal differential (goals for goals against) in all games with maximum of five (5) in any one game
- Least goals scored against
- Most goals scored for (maximum of five (5) in any game)

#### TIED GAMES IN PLAYOFFS

**BOYS LEAGUE:** Instead extra time will be played (GOLDEN GOAL), with each team starting the extra time down a player. Every two minutes the referee will send another player off from each team. This will continue until it becomes 3 vs 3. The match will then continue until there is a winner.

**GIRLS LEAGUE:** After 40 minutes of play, the teams will assign three penalty kick takers from each team. The penalty kick takers must be on the field during the play in order to take the penalty. If the penalties is tied after the three penalty kick takers, then the remaining players that were on the field must take the penalties until a winner has been decided.