

HVAA Father's Day Classic Rules and Procedures

1. Tournament Information

Name of Tournament: HVAA Father's Day Classic

Name of Hosting League: Huntingdon Valley Athletic Association (HVAA)

Date of Tournament: June 15, 2019 - June 16, 2019

Number of Teams: TBD

Age Group(s) and Classification(s): Boys U9 – U12 and Girls U9 – U12

2. Eligibility

The HVAA Father's Day Classic (the "Tournament") is sanctioned by US Youth Soccer and EPYSA and will accept 2018-2019 player passes that are registered with a State or National Association. All teams from outside of Eastern Pennsylvania Youth Soccer or other states must present a "Permission to Travel" authorized by their state or national association at registration. All teams, players and coaches are welcome and must be in good standing. This tournament will be played in accordance with US Youth Soccer and EPYSA rules unless modified as provided in these Rules and Procedures:

3. Tournament Entry Fee and Format

\$475 per U9 team

\$475 per U10 team

\$475 per U11 team

\$475 per U12 team

Teams that enter and pay for the Tournament by April 15, 2019 are eligible to a \$50 discount off of the \$475 fee.

4. Application Information and Deadline

Tournament application deadline: May 15, 2019

In the event that the Tournament Committee fills all brackets prior to the application deadline, the Tournament Committee reserves the right to declare the bracket full and closed to applications.

Notification of team acceptance or rejection will be sent to every applicant.

5. Team Withdrawing and Refund Policy

All teams not accepted by the Tournament will be refunded their registration fee minus a \$25 administrative cost within fifteen (15) days of the notification of rejection. Refunds are not given to any team that withdraws from the Tournament after being accepted to the Tournament.

6. Playing Format and Roster Size

Each team will play a minimum of 3 games during the Tournament. Referees will officiate all games. The length of each game is 50 minutes (two twenty-five minute halves). Boys' games are scheduled for Saturday, June 15, 2019. Girls' games are scheduled for Sunday, June 16, 2019.

U9 team: 7v7 (*Roster limit is 12 players; Max of 4 guest players permitted.*)

U10 team: 7v7 (*Roster limit is 12 players; Max of 4 guest players permitted.*)

U11 team: 9v9 (*Roster limit is 16 players; Max of 5 guest players permitted.*)

U12 team: 9v9 (*Roster limit is 16 players; Max of 5 guest players permitted.*)

All games will follow 7v7 and 9v9 USYSA/EPYSA guidelines and must be affiliated with USYSA.

A player can play for one team only and is not permitted to play on multiple teams during the Tournament.

6. Eligibility and Credentials Requirements

During the Tournament, all teams must be able to present the following documents on demand:

- Official approved/stamped roster for 2018-2019 season.
- Player passes with photos for all participants.
- A signed and 2018-2019 dated medical release form for every rostered player and/or guest player.

Guest players must have a valid player pass or proof of age such as a passport or birth certificate. A guest player's information must be included with your roster submission. At the bottom of the roster, you must add guest player name, their DOB, and their ID # from their player pass.

Field marshals and/or assigned referees for the Tournament can at any time inspect a team's credentials. Teams are subject to forfeit if their credentials are not available.

7. Mandatory Credentials Check-in

Online check-in is MANDATORY. ROSTERS MUST BE SUBMITTED THROUGH GOTSOCCKER.COM BY **NOON ON THURSDAY, June 14, 2019.** Each team's players and guest players participating in the Tournament must be on the roster.

There will be NO IN PERSON CHECK IN. Failure to submit the roster online prior to the deadline may, in the Tournament Committee's discretion, result in disqualification and the disqualified team shall not be entitled to a refund.

8. Field Position for Teams and Spectators

During the game, each team shall be on the same side of the field and each team must stay within ten yards of the centerline. Only players and coaches will be permitted in the bench area. All spectators shall view the games from the opposite side of the players and coaches. If spectators are viewing games held on the turf, all spectators must remain outside of the fence to view the games. Only players, coaches, and referees are permitted anywhere on the turf fields at Valley Center Park. Parents and spectators must stay outside the fence.

If a linesperson is not provided by the tournament, each coach will provide a linesperson as requested by the referee.

9. Heading Rules

U9, U10 and U11 teams shall not head the ball directly from the air. If a U9 player, U10 player or a U11 player deliberately heads the ball in the tournament, the referee shall award an indirect free kick to the opposing team at the spot of the infraction. If the heading occurs within the penalty area, the referee shall move the ball outside the penalty area and award an indirect free kick to the opposing team.

10. Substitutions

Substitutions shall be unlimited. Substitutions may be made, with the consent of the referee, on any stoppage in play.

11. Discipline:

Yellow cards result in an automatic substitution. The warned player may not re-enter the game until 2 minutes has passed. A player receiving two yellow cards in one game will result in a red card.

Red cards result in immediate ejection from the game. If a player is issued a red card, they may not re-enter the current game and are not permitted to play in the next tournament game.

12. Scoring System

Ten (10) is the maximum number of points allowable per game.

 6 Points for a win:

 3 Points for a tie:

 1 Bonus points for shutout win

 4 Points for 0-0 ties

 1 Points per goal (maximum of 3 points)

 1 Points deducted for red cards

Forfeited games will be scored as (eight) 8 points in favor of the team that did not forfeit. In the case a team withdrawing at the last minute or not showing, that team will be scored as a forfeit.

13. Tie Breaking Procedure

In case of a tie in the tournament, the advancing tie breakers will be used based on the following criteria in the order specified:

1. Head to head
2. Most wins
3. Goal differential (max up to 5 goals per game)
4. Goals for (max of 5 per game)
5. Goals against
6. Penalty kicks

14. Protests

No protests are permitted. All game results are considered official and final as submitted by the referee.

15. Game Reports:

At the conclusion of every game, both the coaches and referee shall sign the field marshal game report. All field marshals shall return their game sheets to tournament headquarters as soon as possible after a game.

16. Start Times and Forfeitures

Games will be started at the designated start time. If a team has not taken the field within the 10 (ten) minute grace period, the game will be forfeited to the team that has taken the field. If neither team takes the field within the 10 (ten) minute grace period, no points will be awarded to either team and the game will be declared a double forfeit.

Games will start at their specified start time without stoppage time for any reason. If the tournament finds any team abusing this rule they can and will score the game as a forfeiture for the winning team.

17. Player Uniforms and Equipment

The home team is the team listed first on the schedule. In the event of a color conflict, the home team will change color. The referee can also determine if there is a conflict in jersey colors or keeper jersey colors.

Players are REQUIRED to wear shin guards and proper footwear. All teams must also wear matching uniforms consisting of jersey, shorts, and socks. Team uniform jerseys must have a number on the back. Each player should have a different number and this number must be the same as listed on the official tournament roster.

18. Patch Tournament

The Tournament is a patch tournament and it is expected that each team will participate in the customary handshake and exchange patches following each match.

19. Awards

1st Place Champions and 2nd Place Finalists will be given an award to every player on the winning team in each bracket.

20. Sportsmanship and Conduct

Players, coaches, and spectators are responsible to display good conduct at all times. Displays of temper or dissent are cause for ejection from the game and surrounding field area and/or the tournament. Repeated violations may result in the suspension of the team from the Tournament or as decided by the tournament director. Good sportsmanship is also expected of all teams, officials and fans. Coaches are responsible for the conduct of their players, staff, parents and affiliated spectators.

21. Injuries and Medical Assistance

Any injuries must be reported to a Tournament official so that an accident report form can be completed. A tournament official will call 911 for an injury at the coach's or parent's request. All coaches should have a player's medical release form easily accessible.

22. Weather Conditions

All teams must show up ready to play at the field site, regardless of weather, unless otherwise directed by the Tournament Director. If deemed necessary by the Tournament Director, games may be shortened or cancelled due to extreme weather conditions.

23. Tournament Cancellation

In the event that the fields are unplayable because of events outside of the Tournament's control, like extreme inclement weather, the Tournament Director has the authority to cancel the Tournament or any games at any given time. If the Tournament is cancelled, any participating team will receive a partial refund (the Tournament application fee less the Tournament administrative costs). The Tournament administrative costs consist of the upfront costs to arrange the Tournament.

If the Tournament Director reschedules the Tournament, you will be asked to play on the rescheduled date. If your team is unable to play on the rescheduled date, you will receive a partial refund along with an explanation of the refund amount. The Tournament will not be responsible for any expenses incurred by any team due to a cancellation in part or whole of this Tournament.

24. Prohibitions and Additional Rules

Possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages or controlled substances is expressly prohibited at any of our fields and/or our premises.

Use of kind of tobacco products (including e cigarettes) is prohibited at the Tournament. Use of tobacco products on the grounds of any public school facility is a violation of Pennsylvania State Law.

Dogs or pets of any kind are prohibited at this tournament.

Grills or propane tanks of any kind are prohibited in this tournament.

Only water is permitted on the Turf Field. No food, gum, Gatorade or other beverages, are permitted on the Turf Field at Valley Center Park.

Any team (including players, coaches, parents and affiliated spectators) found violating these rules will automatically forfeit all games played, face possible expulsion from the tournament and will not be invited to any future tournaments hosted by this league.

All portable shelters pop-ups and/or tents must be secured with stakes except at Valley Center Park. No stakes, tents, etc. are permitted on the grass or property at Valley Center Park.

Teams playing at Valley Center Park must abide by the Valley Center Park turf regulations found here: go to https://www.lowermoreland.org/images/Turf_Regs.pdf to view the complete turf rules.

All eacms must abide by the Lower Moreland Township parks and playground regulations which can be found here <http://ecode360.com/5096497>.

25. Tournament Director

The Tournament Director shall be appointed by Huntingdon Valley Athletic Association.

THE TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR MAY ESTABLISH POLICIES AND AMEND THESE RULES AND REGULATIONS AT HIS SOLE DISCRETION. THE DECISIONS OF THE TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR ARE NOT SUBJECT TO APPEAL.