SANCTIONED TOURNAMENT APPLICATION PACKET

This packet contains the forms that must be completed if you wish to host a Washington Youth Soccer sanctioned tournament. Each form must be completed in its entirety; incomplete, illegible or outdated forms will be returned unprocessed. Applications may be denied if Washington Youth Soccer has not received misconduct or final tournament reports relating to the previous year's tournament.

Submit the application packet to the Washington Youth Soccer office at the address listed above. The completed packet should include:

- ☐ Washington Youth Soccer Application for Tournament Sanction
- ☐ Washington Youth Soccer Tournament Hosting Agreement
- ☐ US Youth Soccer Application to Host a Tournament or Games
- ☐ US Soccer International Tournament / Games Hosting Agreement
- ☐ USSF Application to Host a Tournament or Games involving Foreign Teams and appropriate fees for hosting teams outside the United States
- ☐ Tournament or Jamboree Rules
  See USSF Rules Checklist for Tournaments enclosed in this packet if your tournament will be hosting foreign teams.

GENERAL REMINDERS:

1. Tournament committee chairs must have current Risk Management Acceptance.
2. Tournament reports are to be submitted to the Washington Youth Soccer Office as follows:
   A. Disciplinary Reports: within 48 hours of the last game of the tournament.
   B. Post tournament reports: within thirty (30) days of the event conclusion.
3. Tournaments will not be posted to the web site until all necessary approvals have been obtained.
4. If your tournament will be hosting foreign teams you MUST use the ***USSF Rules Checklist for Tournaments*** as your template for the composition of your tournament rules.

For assistance with the tournament sanctioning packet, please contact Tony Clarke at BastienC@WashingtonYouthSoccer.org or 253-944-1604.

Nicole Peters NicoleP@washingtonyouthsoccer.org

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WASHINGTON YOUTH SOCCER

SANCTIONED TOURNAMENT APPLICATION PACKET

☑ COMPETITIVE ☑ DEVELOPMENTAL ☑ SELECT ☑ RECREATIONAL ☐ JAMBOREE

Name of Tournament: Valor Memorial Tournament

Tournament Dates: Jul 31- Aug 2, 2020

Gender: [X] Boys [X] Girls

Ages: U-~~10~~-U19

Entry fee: $ 450-550

Teams Participating will be invited from:

- ☑ Competitive - Premier Division I, II, III and WSYDL
- ☑ Select District , Inter District Leagues, Commissioners Youth League
- ☑ Recreational
- ☐ Jamboree U10 and below
- ☑ Other State Associations
- ☐ Foreign Teams
- ☐ Friendly Games Only

Source of referees: South King County Referee Association

District: 3 Member Association: South King Count SA Club: Valor Soccer

Tournament Director: Derek Sharp

Legal name: Derek Sharp RMA #: 6359279018 Date of Birth: 12/26/1974

Address: 23175 224th Pl SE Suite B City: Maple Valley, WA Zip: 98028

Phone: ( ) Email Address: derek.sharp@valorsoccer.com

Web site: valorsoccer.com

Tournament Deadline: Jul 17, 2020

"Washington Youth Soccer Rules of Competition" will apply unless modified and approved by appropriate Washington Youth Soccer Board member(s). If modified, please attach modifications to this application. **ALL PLAYERS MUST BE INSURED.** Per Washington Youth Soccer Rule 207 (a) All players under the jurisdiction of Washington Youth Soccer (includes Member Associations and Districts) must be insured through Washington Youth Soccer before being allowed to participate in any Washington Youth Soccer activities.

TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR SIGNATURE: _____

(Signature indicates that you have read the above statement and will adhere to these rules)

ASSOCIATION APPROVAL _____ Exec. Dir. 9/24/19

Name Title Date

DISTRICT APPROVAL _____

Name Title Date

STATE APPROVAL _____ Competitive Programs coordinator 10/30/19

Name Title Date

WASHINGTON YOUTH SOCCER

TOURNAMENT HOSTING AGREEMENT
(ADDENDUM TO US YOUTH SOCCER TOURNAMENT/GAMES HOSTING AGREEMENT)

In consideration of permission being granted to Valor Soccer (Host Association) to hold a tournament at Maple Valley & Covington (city) Valor Memorial Tournament on the dates of Jul 31- Aug 2, 2020, we hereby agree that as the Tournament Host Organization we will, in addition to the US Soccer Hosting Agreement, abide by the following:

CREDENTIAL CHECKS

We agree that we shall conduct credential checks to ensure that:

1. All players are registered with U S Soccer or other affiliated organizations (ex: AYSO, USYS, YMCA)
2. All out of state and foreign teams present approved application to travel from the appropriate authority
   (a) Out of state teams must have their State Organization Member approval
   (b) All foreign teams must show USYS approval as well as approval from their Federation Organization Member
3. All foreign team players must present picture identification cards issued by the team's Federation Organization Member

POST TOURNAMENT REPORT

We agree that we shall file a Tournament Report with the National State Association (Washington Youth Soccer) granting us permission to host this tournament, within thirty (30) days of the conclusion of the tournament. We understand that failure to file the report shall preclude the tournament host from receiving sanction for the following seasonal year until the report is filed. The Tournament Report shall include the following information:

1. The number of teams participating in each age division
2. The name of the champion for each division, if a champion is determined
3. If "Sportsmanship Awards" are given, indicate the criteria for the award and to whom they were given
4. The number of fields used for the tournament
5. The name of the tournament sponsor, if any

DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

We agree that we shall appoint a Disciplinary Committee and that all cards issued will be written up on the Misconduct Report Form with punishments per Washington Youth Soccer Rule 605. All misconduct reports and Tournament Disciplinary Committee minutes will be sent to the Washington Youth Soccer Disciplinary Director, via the Washington Youth Soccer office within 48 hours of the completion of the tournament. We have selected a Disciplinary Committee Chair for the tournament:

Legal Name Patrick Mooney
Date of Birth 09/16/1975 RMA # 16376193473
Street 24531 SE 276th Ct
City Maple Valley State WA Zip 98038
Phone ( ) 3607986839
E-Mail patrick.mooney@valorsoccer.com

REFEREE ASSIGNOR

We agree that in accordance with USSF Bylaw 532, we shall use only USSF registered referees who are in good standing for all tournaments games, and shall utilize one or three referee systems utilizing the diagonal system of control. We intend to use a three referee system for the following age divisions:

U10-19.

The referee assignor for the tournament is:

Legal Name Richard Meeks
Date of Birth 7/6/1972 RMA # 51278630131
Street 27716 246th Ave SE
City Maple Valley State WA Zip 98038
Phone ( ) 2062008145
E-Mail: richardmeeks10@outlook.com

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APPLICATION TO HOST A TOURNAMENT OR GAMES

Name of Tournament or Games: Valor Memorial Tournament
Website URL: valorsoccer.com
Hosting Organization: Valor Soccer
Type of Tournament: ☐ Select ☐ Recreational ☑ Select & Rec
Designate Official of Hosting Organization: Derek Sharp
Title: Tournament Director
Phone ( ) 8885794(W
Address: 23175 224th Pl SE Suite B
Email: derek.sharp@valorsoccer.co
Phone ( ) 9187285 H
City: Maple Valley
State: WA
Zip Code: 98038
Phone ( ) FAX
State Association or Affiliate: Washington
Guest Referees Applications Accepted ☑ Yes ☐ No
Location of Tournament or Games: Maple Valley & Covington
TEAM ENTRY DEADLINE: JUL 17, 2020
Date(s) of Tournament or Games: Jul 31- Aug 2, 2020
Estimated # of Teams: 100
Tournament or Games Director or Contact Person: Derek Sharp
Phone ( ) 8885794 W
Address: 23175 224th Pl SE Suite B
Email: derek.sharp@valorsoccer.co
Phone ( ) 9187285 H
City: Maple Valley
State: WA
Zip Code: 98038
Phone ( ) FAX

Age Groups Accepted			Type(s) of Team Accepted *	B	G	Roster Size	# Guest Players Allowed	Length of Games	# Players on Field	Awards	Minimum # of Games	Entry Fee	Bond
U-	10	8/1/	emier, Select, R	☑	☑	12	3	50	7	☑	3	450	☐
U-	11	8/1/	emier, Select, R	☑	☑	14	3	50	9	☑	3	450	☐
U-	12	8/1/	emier, Select, R	☑	☑	14	3	50	9	☑	3	450	☐
U-	13	8/1/	emier, Select, R	☑	☑	18	3	70	11	☑	3	500	☐
U-	14	8/1/	emier, Select, R	☑	☑	18	3	70	11	☑	3	500	☐
U-	15	8/1/	emier, Select, R	☑	☑	18	3	80	11	☑	3	500	☐
U-	16	8/1/	emier, Select, R	☑	☑	18	3	80	11	☑	3	550	☐
U-	17	8/1/	emier, Select, R	☑	☑	18	4	80	11	☑	3	550	☐
U-	18	8/1/	emier, Select, R	☑	☑	18	4	90	11	☑	3	550	☐
U-	19	8/1/	emier, Select, R	☑	☑	18	4	90	11	☑	3	550	☐

***List of types of teams and tournaments is on reverse side of this form.**

☐ **RT RESTRICTED TOURNAMENT** –Open only to members of US Youth Soccer and its State Associations.

☐ Team will be restricted to teams within the state association ☐ Teams will be invited from all US Youth State Associations/Affiliates only.

☐ **UT UNRESTRICTED TOURNAMENT** Other US Soccer Members as listed: _____

☐ International Teams as listed: none

The Hosting Organization agrees to be bound by and comply with the terms contained in the TOURNAMENT AND GAMES HOSTING AGREEMENT and all applicable rules of the approving State Association or Affiliate.

Signature of Designated Official of Hosting Organization _____ Date _____

APPROVAL

(For Official Use Only)STATE ASSOCIATION OR AFFILIATE: WA Youth Soccer Date: 10/30/19

By: Nicole Peters Title: competitive Programs Coordinator

I. DEFINITIONS OF TYPES OF TOURNAMENTS AND TEAMS

(Place corresponding letter in appropriate space on application.)

TYPES OF TOURNAMENTS

UT **UNRESTRICTED TOURNAMENT**: A tournament that is open to all Federation affiliated participants. Any tournament that allows international participants must be an Unrestricted Tournament.

RT **RESTRICTED TOURNAMENT**: A tournament that is open only to members of US Youth Soccer and its State Associations.

SELECT TEAMS (teams formed by a selection or tryout process):

S1 generally a team which competes at the highest level of play in a state or region
S2 generally a team which competes at other than the highest level of play in a state or region
S3 generally a team which competes in a local area or state

TOURNAMENT SELECT TEAMS

S4 a team which is put together for the sole purpose of playing in a tournament or other sanctioned non-league competition, whose roster includes select players who are members of one club.

RECREATIONAL TEAMS

RT a team which was formed in a random nature without regard to players' abilities.

US YOUTH SOCCER ODP TEAMS

ODP TEAM: the official US Youth Soccer Olympic Development team of US Youth Soccer, any of its regions, a State Association, an Affiliate, other Organization Member, or any district or geographical subdivisions thereof.

NATIONALTEAMS

NATIONAL TEAM: the official national team of US Soccer or any other member of FIFA.

II. HOSTING RESTRICTED AND UNRESTRICTED TOURNAMENTS AND GAMES

APPLYING TO HOST RESTRICTED TOURNAMENTS OR GAMES

1. These procedures apply when hosting **ONLY** US Youth Soccer State Association or US Youth Soccer Affiliates teams for tournaments or games.

2. Applications, agreements to host and other required information must be submitted as provided by the designated approving association or affiliate to include:

   Not later than the date established by the State Association or Affiliate for submitting an *Application to Host a Tournament or Games*, the hosting organization must submit to its State Association or Affiliate and, if any game is to be played in another State Association or Affiliate, to that other State Association or Affiliate, for approval a completed *Application to Host a Tournament or Games* signed by the designated official of the hosting organization and the following items:
   a) a completed US Youth Soccer *Tournament or Games Hosting Agreement* with appropriate supporting documents and information, signed by the president or chief officer or designee of the hosting organization and by the tournament or games director;
   b) a copy of the approved Rules for the Tournament or Games; and
   c) any fees required by the State Association or Affiliate for processing the application. **Incomplete applications will be returned and considered as not having ever been submitted.**

3. The State Association or Affiliate is not required to approve any application not submitted by the deadline established by the State Association or Affiliate. Any application which is not submitted in a timely manner may be subject to late fees if approved. The team must contact its State Association for its specific policies and fees.

4. The State Association or US Youth Soccer Affiliate shall make a determination as to whether or not they will sanction the tournament or games in accordance with the policies they have established within their organization for the sanctioning of tournaments or games.

APPLYING TO HOST UNRESTRICTED TOURNAMENTS INCLUDING INTERNATIONAL TEAMS (TEAMS FROM OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES) AND OTHER FEDERATION ORGANIZATION MEMBERS

1. The provisions below are **in addition** to those required as stated above under "Applying to Host Restricted Tournaments or Games". All those provisions so stated above must also be complied with.

2. For all tournaments and games involving international teams (teams from outside the United States), the Rules for the Tournament or Games must comply with the following substitution requirements: For matches involving players under 16 years of age, the number of substitutions allowed is as provided by the Rules of the Tournament or Game. For all other matches, the number of substitutions is as agreed to prior to the match and the referee is informed prior to the match of that number. The number agreed to can be as provided in the Rules of the Tournament or Game.

3. The completed US Soccer forms Application to Host a Tournament or Games Involving Foreign Teams and Certification Regarding Compliance with the Ted Stevens and Olympic Amateur Sports Act, must be submitted and approved by the hosting State Association or US Youth Soccer Affiliate and any additional fees required by the State Association, Affiliate and/or the United States Soccer Federation for processing the application.

4. For all teams that are not members of US Youth Soccer or a US Youth Soccer Affiliate, Proof of medical and liability insurance must be provided by their organization of registration

US Youth Soccer

TOURNAMENT OR GAMES HOSTING AGREEMENT

In consideration of permission being granted to Valor Soccer to hold a tournament or games at South King County SA (Hosting Organization) Maple Valley (City) WA (State)

On the dates of Jul 31- Aug 2, 20 20, we agree to the following conditions:

ABIDE BY RULES: We shall abide by all statements made in our approved US Youth Soccer *Application to Host A Tournament or Games*, in our tournament invitation, in our tournament rules, in the US Youth Soccer *Travel and Tournament Policy* and in this US Youth Soccer *Tournament or Games Hosting Agreement.* We agree that all decisions regarding acceptance of teams into a tournament shall be fairly and impartially made and shall not be based upon race, creed, color or national origin and that we will not advertise by any means the tournament or games until all approvals are received.

INVITATIONS: The tournament or games approval form shall accompany all tournament or games invitations distributed.

HOUSING: We agree that we will not require a team to use only accommodations approved or provided by the hosting organization or other organization, unless disclosure is made on the tournament application form of the required hotel/motel names and the guaranteed rates.

PROCURING LIABILITY INSURANCE: We have procured liability insurance coverage for the tournament or games with limits of not less than $1,000,000/$2,000,000 which names the State Association or Affiliate with which the Hosting Organization is a member. A copy of the certificate of insurance, IF REQUIRED, is attached issued by SKSA

REQUIRING MEDICAL AUTHORIZATIONS: We shall require all teams participating in the tournament or games to provide medical releases for each player in an appropriate form. These authorizations shall be reviewed by the Hosting Organization at registration and kept in the possession of a team official

ADVANCE PUBLICATION OF RULES: We agree that our tournament or games rules shall be included with the invitation sent to each team and shall, again, be published to all teams accepted prior to the start of the tournament/games.

CREDENTIALS CHECKS: We agree that we shall conduct credentials checks to ensure that all players are registered with US Youth Soccer or US Soccer or a member thereof or their national association, properly rostered with their team, and participating in accordance with representations set forth on the US Youth Soccer *Application to Host a Tournament or Games*. We agree that we will not modify or mark in any way original rosters or member passes; and will not register any player, coach, or team official or issue any member pass.

USE OF US SOCCER REGISTERED REFEREES: We agree that we shall use for all games only US Soccer registered referees who are in good standing (unless US Soccer has granted a waiver to allow the use of authorized referees from another country), and shall use a one- or 3-referee system. We intend to use a 3-referee system for the following age groups: U11-U19. There will be an adequate number of US Soccer registered referees available in the area during the tournament or game dates to cover the scheduled games. We have selected the following assignor to assign referees for the tournament or games (NOTE: ONLY US Soccer certified assignors may be used.):

Name Richard Meeks Phone ( ) 2062008145 W

Address 27716 246th Ave SE Email richardmeeks10@ Phone ( ) H

City Maple Valley State WA Zip 98038 Phone ( ) Fax

AVAILABILITY OF POLICE AND RESCUE SERVICE: We have notified the local police, ambulance, and emergency rescue services of the date of the tournament or games and the times and fields which will be used for games, and have been advised by them that they will be available to render assistance if needed. We will use the following method(s) of contacting emergency services

TOURNAMENT OR GAME RULES – BEHAVIOR: We agree that our tournament or game rules contain provisions ensuring that the behavior of teams, players, coaches, and spectators is appropriately controlled, including specific provisions that—

- Spell out the disciplinary measures to be imposed for the issuance of red and yellow cards or other improper conduct;
- indicate what procedures will be followed regarding protests and appeals;

- indicate that all disciplinary measures imposed by hosting organizations shall be limited to placing restrictions upon an individual's group participation in the tournament/games;
- record the issuance of all red and yellow cards and other matters involving the conduct of a team, its players, coaches, and supporters and also report them immediately to the home State Association and the home club/league of the team; and
- state that the home State Association or member thereof and the home club or league shall, except in the case of referee assault or abuse, have the responsibility for imposing, should circumstances warrant, additional penalties within their respective jurisdictions with regard to any matters arising from the tournament or games.

TOURNAMENT CANCELLATION: We agree that our tournament or game rules shall state what refunds, if any, shall be made to participating teams if all or a portion of the tournament or games is cancelled by the hosting organization for any reason.

POST TOURNAMENT OR GAMES REPORT: We agree that we shall file any required Post Tournament or Games Report with the State Association or Affiliate granting us permission to host this tournament or games within 30 days after the conclusion of the tournament or games. We understand that failure to file the report may preclude the tournament/games host from receiving approval for any tournament/games for the following seasonal years until the report is filed. The Post Tournament or Games Report shall include the following information:

- the number of teams participating in each age group (boys and girls);
- if a champion is determined, the name of the champion for each group;
- the number of teams from each State Association, Affiliate, other Organization Member, or foreign country;
- if "Sportsmanship Awards" are given, the criteria for the award and to whom awards were given;
- the number of fields used for the tournament/games;
- the name of the sponsor, if any; and
- the names and teams of all players issued red and yellow cards, and details of any other matters involving the improper or unsporting conduct of a team, its players, coaches or supporters. **NOTE: Any incident of referee assault or referee abuse by a player, coach, manager, club official, or game official must be reported to the alleged offender's home State Association, or member thereof immediately, but in no event later than 48 hours after an incident of referee assault or abuse..**

Signature of Hosting Organization Designated Official

Signature of Tournament or Games Director

9/24/15
Date

Date

Hosting Organization Valor Soccer Phone ( ) 8885794625 W

Address 23175 224th Pl SE Suite E Email derek.sharp@val Phone ( ) 9187285212 H

City Maple Valley State WA Zip 98038 Phone ( ) Fax

Tournament or Games Headquarters Valor Soccer Phone ( ) 8885794625 W

Address 23175 224th Pl SE Suite E Email info@valorsoccer Phone ( ) H

City Maple Valley State WA Zip 98038 Phone ( ) Fax

U.S. SOCCER INTERNATIONAL TOURNAMENT/GAMES HOSTING AGREEMENT (REV 3-05)

In consideration of permission being granted to Valor Soccer (Host Organization) to hold a tournament or game(s) at Maple Valley & Covington (City), WA (State) on the dates of Jul 31- Aug 2, 2020.

We hereby agree to the following conditions:

1. **ABIDE BY RULES -** We shall abide by all statements made in our Application to Host a Tournament or Games, in our tournament invitation, in our tournament rules, and in this U.S. SOCCER International Tournament/Games Hosting Agreement. We agree that all decisions regarding acceptance of teams into a tournament shall be fairly and impartially made and shall not be based upon race, creed, color, national origin, or national affiliation.

2. **INVITATIONS -** The tournament approval form shall accompany all tournament invitations distributed by us.

3. **PROCURING LIABILITY INSURANCE -** We have procured liability insurance coverage for the tournament or games with limits of not less than $100,000/$200,000/$25,000 which names the U. S. Soccer Member with which the Host Organization is affiliated, any affiliate organization where the host organization is a member, U. S. Soccer and their officers and directors as additional insureds. A certificate of insurance is attached issued by Valor Soccer.

4. **REQUIRING MEDICAL AUTHORIZATIONS -** We shall require all teams participating in the tournament or games to provide notarized medical authorizations for each player in a form adequate for use at the site of the tournament. These authorizations shall be presented to the Host Organization at registration and kept at the field available for use by the team.

5. **AMATEUR SPORTS ACT -** We have read and agree to abide by the provisions of the Ted Stevens Olympic and Amateur Sports Act (see below).

6. **ADVANCE PUBLICATION OF RULES -** We agree that our tournament or games rules shall be included with the invitation sent to each team and shall again, be published to all teams accepted, prior to the start of the tournament.

7. **USE OF FIELD MARSHALS/FIELD INSPECTION -** We agree that during the tournament each game field will have a field marshal assigned to it at all times; that the field marshal will be readily available and identifiable; that prior to the commencement of every game the field marshal will inspect the field to be sure that it is free from objects or conditions that may cause injury. If any condition exists which cannot be immediately corrected it shall be brought to the attention of the referee and the tournament director. The Director of Field Marshals is:

NAME Derek Sharp TELEPHONE 8885794625

ADDRESS 23175 224th Pl SE Suite B FAX

CITY Maple Valley STATE WA ZIP 98038

8. **USE OF SPECTATOR LINES -** We agree to take appropriate steps including, where feasible, the use of spectator lines on each field to keep the spectators away from the touch line.

9. **PROVISION OF ADEQUATE TOURNAMENT COMMUNICATION -** We agree to provide adequate communication by means of _____ between the game fields and the tournament headquarters. The Tournament Communications Director is:

NAME Corrie Morris TELEPHONE 8885794625

ADDRESS 23175 224th Pl SE Suite B FAX

CITY Maple Valley STATE WA ZIP 98038

10. **AVAILABILITY OF POLICE AND RESCUE SERVICE -** We have notified the local police, ambulance and emergency rescue services of the date of the tournament or games and the times and fields which will be used for games, and have been advised by them that they will be available to render assistance if needed.

11. **TOURNAMENT RULES/BEHAVIOR -** We agree that our tournament or games rules contain provisions ensuring that the behavior of teams, players, coaches and spectators is appropriately controlled including specific provisions:

    a. which spell out the disciplinary measures to be imposed for the issuances of red and yellow cards or other improper conduct;
    b. which indicate what procedures will be followed regarding protests and appeals;
    c. which indicate that all disciplinary measures imposed by host organizations shall be limited to placing restrictions upon an individual's group participation in the tournament or games;
    d. which state the issuance of all red and yellow cards and other matters involving the conduct of a team, its players, coaches or supporters will be recorded by the host organization.

12. **TOURNAMENT CANCELLATION -** We agree that our tournament or games rules shall state what refunds, if any, shall be made to participating teams if all or a portion of the tournament is canceled by the host organization for any reason.

Signature of Host Organization/President

9/23/19
Date

Signature of Tournament or Game Director

10/10/19
Date

Host Organization Valor Soccer
Telephone 8885794625
Address 23175 224th Pl SE Suite B
Fax
City Maple Valley
State WA
Zip 98038

Tournament Headquarters Valor Soccer
Telephone 8885794625
Address 23175 224th Pl SE Suite B
Fax
City Maple Valley
State WA
Zip 98038

TED STEVENS OLYMPIC AND AMATEUR SPORTS ACT

§220525. Granting sanctions for amateur athletic competitions

(a) PROMPT REVIEW AND DECISION.—For the sport that it governs, a national governing body promptly shall-

(1) review a request by an amateur sports organization or person for a sanction to hold an international amateur athletic competition in the United States or to sponsor United States amateur athletes to compete in international amateur athletic competition outside the United States; and

(2) grant the sanction if—

(A) the national governing body does not decide by clear and convincing evidence that holding or sponsoring an international amateur athletic competition would be detrimental to the best interest of the sport; and

(B) the requirements of subsection (b) of this section are met

(b) REQUIREMENTS.—An amateur sports organization or person may be granted a sanction under this section only if the organization or person meets the following requirements—

(1) The organization or person must pay the national governing body any required sanctioning fee, if the fee is reasonable and nondiscriminatory.

(2) For a sanction to hold an international amateur athletic competition in the United States, the organization or person must—

(A) submit to the national governing body an audited or notarized financial report of similar events, if any, conducted by the organization or person; and

(B) demonstrate that the requirements of paragraph (4) of this subsection have been met.

(3) For a sanction to sponsor United States amateur athletes to compete in international amateur athletic competition outside the United States, the organization or person must—

(A) submit a report of the most recent trip to a foreign country, if any, that the organization or person sponsored for the purpose of having United States amateur athletes compete in international amateur athletic competition; and

(B) submit a letter from the appropriate entity that will hold the international amateur athletic competition certifying that the requirements of paragraph (4) of this subsection have been met.

(4) The requirements referred to in paragraphs (2) and (3) of this subsection are that—

(A) appropriate measures have been taken to protect the amateur status of athletes who will take part in the competition and to protect their eligibility to compete in amateur athletic competition;

(B) appropriate provision has been made for validation of any records established during the competition;

(C) due regard has been given to any international amateur athletic requirements specifically applicable to the competition;

(D) the competition will be conducted by qualified officials;

(E) proper medical supervision will be provided for athletes who will participate in the competition; and

(F) proper safety precautions have been taken to protect the personal welfare of the athletics and spectators at the competition.

VALOR MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT

RULES OF PLAY: Unless otherwise posted, FIFA *Laws of the Game* will govern the tournament.

ELIGIBILITY

Age: All age groups for the tournament will be in accordance with the USYS and US Club age groups for the current seasonal year. Divisions for single age years will be implemented depending on entries.

Registration. All players MUST be currently registered with their respective USSF Affiliate, USYS or US Club. Travel forms are REQUIRED for US Youth. The tournament is fully insured for all participants.

Tournament Acceptance: Teams must apply and submit payments in accordance with the deadlines set for the tournament.

Tournament Participants: Teams must adhere to USYS policies, rules, and regulations, and teams are subject to their disciplinary actions. Teams wishing to participate in the tournament MUST to obtain travel permission from your USY State Association nor do you need to provide evidence of insurance as our event is completely insured for all eligible participants.

Travel permission is REQUIRED by the tournament for any US Youth registered team.

Team Roster.

1. Allowed roster sizes are as follows: U10, 12 players; U11-12, 14 players; U13-19, 18 players. ***Players may be dual rostered as long as they are participating in separate divisions.***
2. Allowed guest players are as follows: U10-16, 3 players; U17-19, 4 players.
3. Proof of age: All players and coaches must have current USSF (US Club, USSSA, or USY) National affiliation Player ID cards.

CREDENTIALS/TEAM CHECK-IN

1. All teams MUST have their official rosters, National affiliation ID cards (except for U10), Out-of-State Travel Papers (if required), Guest Player forms (only if your state association requires them) and Medical Release Forms (do not need to be notarized) approved by the Tournament Committee at the official registration and team check-in, which will be held on the evening prior to the beginning of the tournament.
2. Official registration period will be from 7 – 10 pm on the night prior to games.
3. Game check-in will be done at the field by an official or field marshal.

DURATION OF THE GAME & TEAM SIZES

The length of games for each age group is as follows:

Age Bracket	Game Times	Format	Team Size
U10	Two (2) 25 minute halves	7v7	12
U11-12	Two (2) 25 minute halves	9v9	14

U13-14	Two (2) 35 minute halves	11v11	18
U15-17	Two (2) 40 minute halves	11v11	18
U18-19	Two (2) 45 minute halves	11v11	18

Halftime periods shall be a maximum of five (5) minutes.

Semi-finals and Finals: Same game lengths as listed above.

Overtime Rules: A tie in a preliminary game will be considered complete. In the event of a tie in a semi-final or final game, the following procedure will be implemented: Two (2) five-minute regular overtime periods will be played (no *Golden Goal*); If still tied after overtime periods, penalty kicks (as defined in FIFA *Laws of the Game*) will be implemented to determine a winner.

Unfinished Games: If an official terminates a game and neither team is at fault, it will be considered completed if the first half was completed.

IMPORTANT: The game clock will not be stopped because of injury to any player unless, at the discretion of the referee. Due to the time allowed for the completion of all games, the clock must run continuously.

Inclement Weather/Field Conditions: In the event of inclement weather, the Tournament Director reserves the right to modify all tournament rules in order to safely and fairly end the tournament successfully. Games may be shortened or eliminated in case of inclement weather or unplayable field conditions. Coaches are asked to be patient and remain flexible – changing the format of the tournament is a major undertaking. In the event that semi-final and/or final games are canceled, the division winner will be determined in accordance with the tiebreaker rule, points 1-5. If still tied, co-champions will be declared.

The Tournament Director has the authority to temporarily suspend play due to unsafe weather conditions. Teams should remain (safely in cars or under shelter) in the vicinity for game resumption. If lightning is sighted, the tournament director will immediately suspend play and clear the field. Play will resume after 25 consecutive minutes of no lightning.

Small Sided RULES

7v7 divisions will be played 7-a-side with a maximum roster size of fourteen (14) players and will use a GK. Offsides will be enforced.

1. Age-appropriate fields will be used and based on US Soccer standards including the build out line.
2. The maximum number of players on the field at any one time is 7, one of who shall be a goalkeeper. Minimum number of players on the field is five (5), one of whom shall be a goalkeeper.
3. Offside will be called in 7v7. Penalty and direct kicks will be awarded in 7v7.

   CLARIFICATION OF RULES for Build Out Line:

   7 v 7:

   When the goalkeeper makes a save and is playing out of his/her hands:

   All players must retreat back to build out line and may pressure and cross build out line once the keeper has released the ball. This is not applicable if the goalkeeper decides to play quickly.

   When a team has a goal kick:

All players must retreat back to build out line and cannot cross the line and pressure until the ball has left the penalty area. Once the ball crosses the line to exit the box then the opposing team may cross the build out line and play as normal. This is not applicable if the team decided to play quickly before all players can get back to build out line.
Goalkeepers may not punt or drop kick the ball.

OFFICIALS

All divisions U11-19 will use a full crew system (except U10 divisions).

EQUIPMENT/UNIFORMS

1. For ALL teams, jersey/shorts must be all the same color, and jerseys must be numbered.
2. The Home and Away team will be posted on the game schedule. The Home team will be required to wear light colored jerseys. The Away team must wear dark colored jerseys. In case of a conflict of uniform colors, the team not complying will be responsible for changing to a different color acceptable to the Center Referee.
3. Shin guards are required for all players.
4. Goalkeepers are allowed to wear headgear.
5. Casts must be completely covered with at least two (2) inches of foam padding and totally wrapped with an elastic bandage as well as approved by the head referee of each game. In addition, any player playing with a cast must have a written release from a doctor.
6. In the interest of safety, any player sustaining an open wound MUST be removed from the field of play immediately. The player may be substituted at this time. Such players are not allowed to return to the field until any wounds are treated, bandaged, and all blood is removed from their uniforms.

SUBSTITUTIONS

Substitutions shall be unlimited. Substitutions may occur at any stoppage with the consent of the official.

SCORING

In the preliminary rounds, points will be awarded as follows:

3 points for a win
1 points for a tie
0 points for a loss

Tie Breakers: In the event of a tie in points in the preliminary round standings, the following procedures will be used to determine the group winners:

1. Winner of most games
2. Winner of head-to-head competition
3. Goal differential (goals scored minus goals against) with a maximum of plus four (4) goals per game.
4. Fewest goals allowed (no limit).

5. Most goals scored (no limit).
6. PKs

Tournament Director may also use discretion in discussion with both coaches at the 6th tiebreaker (i.e. coin flip). The group winners will advance to the semi-final/final rounds in all age divisions with six (6) or more teams.

Bracket Grouping: In age groups with 16 teams, there will be 4 brackets with A vs D and B vs C in the semi-finals round. In age groups with 6 or 8 teams, there will be 2 brackets. The tournament committee may decide to have semi-finals for those groups. In brackets of 5, the teams will simply play a round robin format with the winner and runner-up declared based on points. In groups with 4 teams, the top 2 based on point system above will advance to a final.

Wild Cards: In cases of an odd number of groups, a wildcard team will be selected to advance to the semi-final round. The selection of the wildcard team will be made on the same basis as the determination of group winners. If a semi-final pairing results in two teams that have played each other in preliminary rounds, the Tournament Director may decide to adjust the semifinal pairings to avoid a repeat of a preliminary game.

For semi-finals in divisions in which there are an A, B, and C bracket, the following will apply:

Winner of A bracket plays wild card.

1st place B vs 1st from C.

If wildcard comes from group A, then B vs wildcard and A vs C.

FORFEITS

1. A forfeit will be declared if a team fails to report 10 minutes before the scheduled game time with at least seven (7) rostered players. For 8v8 and younger, at least five (5) players shall be required to start the game.
2. Any team that quits the field of play before the conclusion of the game or plays ineligible players will forfeit all games and is subject to disqualification in the tournament at the discretion of the Tournament Director.
3. A team that forfeits a game for any reason will not advance.
4. When the situation warrants, the Tournament Director can declare a double forfeit to both teams with no points scored for the game. This could be done in the case of unsportsmanlike behavior by both teams for example.
5. A team that forfeits, drops from the tournament or has been disqualified from the tournament (such as for playing an ineligible player) will receive a 0-3 loss to the other team with full points given. Any team that drops after the team acceptance or is disqualified for playing ineligible players will be placed in bad-standing with the tournament and will be reported to their appropriate National and/or State Association.

REFUNDS/CANCELLATION POLICY

NO refunds will be given to teams who drop after the team acceptance notifications have been sent.

PROTESTS

There are no protests.

PLAYER and/or TEAM OFFICAL SUSPENSIONS

1. A player or team official who is ejected from a game will be suspended for the next tournament game. An individual may receive more than a one-game suspension. No substitution will be permitted for an ejected player.
2. If a coach or team official is ejected from a game, from the point of ejection until the period of suspension is satisfied, the suspended individual must remain out of sight or sound of the playing field. The *Sight and Sound Rule* may be invoked in the case of an ejected player, at the discretion of the referee or the Tournament Committee. At minimum, an ejected player must leave the player/bench are of the field and must remain silent for the duration of the game.
3. The officials may suspend play when necessary due to spectator interference until the individual(s) creating the disturbance leaves the playing area (minimum of 100 yards from the field). Said individual(s) shall remain silent for the duration of the game. Failure to observe this rule may result in forfeiture of the game as well as further disciplinary action.

MATTERS NOT PROVIDED FOR

The Tournament Director shall determine any matter not provided for in the tournament rules. In addition, the Tournament Director may amend the tournament rules when, in his judgment, the amendment will be beneficial to the conduct of the tournament. The decision of the Tournament Director shall be final.