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District League Guide

**A Guide to the 4-District Youth Soccer League
operated by Burnaby, North Shore, Richmond
and Vancouver Youth Soccer Associations
for the 2016 / 2017 Playing Season**



TEAM LISTS

4-DISTRICT YOUTH SOCCER LEAGUE		
Team list of: _____		
Opposing team: _____		
Division & Level: _____		
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Home <input type="checkbox"/>	Visitor <input type="checkbox"/>	
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Field: _____		
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Referee: _____		
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EVENT SCHEDULE

DATES	EVENTS OR DEADLINES	DESCRIPTION OF EVENT
September 9 th , 10 th , 11 th	First games for Gold, Silver and Bronze Leagues	All divisions start league play.
September 30 th	Photo ID deadline	All U-11 to U-18 players and all team officials must present valid photo ID for all games from October 1 st onwards. See Page 8 for further information.
October 8 th , 9 th , 10 th	Thanksgiving weekend	No games scheduled. Check with district secretaries for tournaments. See www.richmondsoccer.com regarding Richmond tournament.
October 21 st , 22 nd , 23 rd	No league games U-13 to U-18	First round of Cup for U-13 to U-18.
November 11 th , 12 th , 13 th	No league games U-13 to U-18	Second round of Cup play. Teams eliminated in the 1 st round may have "in-district" cup play (Community Cup or Provincial Cup).
November 25 th , 26 th , 27 th	League & Cup games	Third round of Cup play. League games will be cancelled only for the teams (and their opposition) involved in third round play. All other teams play league games as scheduled. See Page 15.
December 9 th , 10 th , 11 th	League and Cup games	This is the last weekend of play in all leagues before the holiday break. There may be 4-District Cup play if required.
January 6 th , 7 th , 8 th	League play recommences	Play resumes for all leagues.
January 15 th	Last day to transfer players from one team to another	Any player registered with a team cannot be transferred to another team after this date. Check with your District Registrar. Players who have not registered prior to this date may be added at any time, subject to appropriate eligibility/waiting periods. See Page 7.
February 18 th & 19 th	Final League Games	Teams in contention for 1 st place will be declared co-winners.
February 25 th & 26 th	Pioneer, Commonwealth and Burrard Cup Finals	League Cup Finals for U-13 to U-18, Burnaby Lake Sports Complex. Failure to fulfill your Cup commitment may result in a game forfeit and a \$200 fine to your District.
TBA - March	B Cup Round of 16 starts	

Please Note: Provincial and BCSA Cup play is in addition to this schedule.

See Page 36 for what's new to the Guide this season.

Forms and other information you might need during the season can be found on www.4districtsoccer.com.

- Intra-Club Permit
- Out-of-District Form
- Protest Form
- Schedule Cancellation Request Form
- Transfer Form

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WELCOME TO THE 4-DISTRICT SOCCER LEAGUE

The following is only a brief overview – the remainder of the Guide explains how the 4-District League works, the formal rules and procedures, and your rights and responsibilities. Every District, Club, team official, game official and player shall uphold the rules and are subject to the authority of the published policies set out by BCSA, FIFA, CSA and the 4-District League.

Ignorance of the contents of this Guide or lack of understanding of the rules is not an acceptable defense. **Soccer is a game; it is for fun.** Let the kids play. Parents, spectators and team officials should stay in the background.

No District or their representative or any club, team or referee can override the rules and policies within this Guide without the written permission from the 4-District Board.

Read the Code of Ethics and FIFA Laws of the Game. Ensure players know the FIFA Laws of the Game and play fairly. Sport involves respect for the opposition and game officials; team officials must develop this by their words and actions.

The **Divisional Liaison** is your main contact. They will phone or e-mail you with schedule or game changes; you report scores and direct questions to them. See information regarding Divisional Liaisons on Page 5.

U-11 to U-18 Schedules as well as official standings for U-13 to U-18 are available at www.4districtsoccer.com.

Don't forget to "refresh" the website on a regular basis to have the most up-to-date version of the schedule and all other information. There will be no standings published for U-11 or U-12.

Teams should expect to play their games on Fridays, Saturdays or Sundays. However, some teams may play home (League and/or Cup) games at night. Check your schedule.

While most of the rules in this Guide pertain to all teams, please see Page 12 for U-11 and U-12 Program rules and Page 14 regarding Intra-Club Permits.

All divisions may be realigned. The 4-D Schedulers will hold a meeting the Monday before Thanksgiving. Teams that are badly out of place will be moved up or down depending on the results of the games played up to Thanksgiving. A revised schedule and standings table will be issued the 2nd weekend after Thanksgiving. See Changes to Leagues on Page 6.

The 4-District Cup starts in October for U-13 to U-18 teams. Rounds will take place on weekends designated in the schedule in January and February. League games for teams involved in cup play that weekend will be cancelled. See Cup Play and the Rules on Page 15.

There is an **alternate gravel field** allocated for each grass field. If the main field is not playable, games **must** be played on the alternate field if the referee determines that it is playable.

For information regarding **field status** see Field Status Information on Page 4.

Schools and parks must be kept clean. Take home your half-time refreshment debris.

The Home team must contact the opposition by 7 pm the night before each game to make sure both teams go to the right field at the designated time. Failure to do so may result in a forfeit. Away teams should make the contact if they have not heard from the opposition. Home team must confirm changes to published details immediately.

If a team is unable to fulfill its game commitment both phone calls and emails, with a "Request a Read Receipt", must be placed by Thursday night to each of the opposition's team officials listed. If you have not received confirmation by the Friday, you must re-contact to avoid a fine and field costs.

Only play players registered to your team. Cheating by playing ineligible or illegal players will lead to forfeits and serious discipline. The only exception is a player who has officially transferred or is playing on an Intra-Club permit.

Supply and get team lists at each game. Use the blank at the front of this Guide. Fill in all the details and sign the form. Before the commencement of the game give two completed copies to the referee, and ask for your copy of the opponent's list.

BCSA Photo ID cards – all players and team officials must present photo ID for all games from October 1st onwards. See Page 8 Photo ID.

Teams failing to produce ALL of their BCSA photo ID may be suspended from play until they comply.

Make sure players and spectators are aware of the red card offenses and that ejected players and team officials reported for misconduct are not to take part in the handshake. See Discipline on Page 18.

Dissent from team officials, players or spectators is unacceptable. There will always be calls you disagree with; everyone has to learn to accept that aspect of sports. Do not question calls, or badger or harass referees during or after the game. This is a "zero tolerance" issue. Any verbal or physical abuse of referees will lead to very serious penalties.

The onus is on everyone to put an immediate stop to any racial slurs or derogatory commenting.

Referees are in charge of the game. They are trained and assessed to develop their skills. They need each team's support and respect in carrying out their duties. See No Referee for a Game on Page 10.

Team officials are responsible and accountable for the behaviour of parents and supporters. Where field configuration permits, both teams' officials and their players must stand on one side of the field while both teams' spectators will stand on the opposite side of the field.

Where field configuration does not permit spectators must not stand behind the technical area.

It is the team officials' responsibility to make sure this requirement is met.

Speak to your fans before the referee has to request you to do so. If requested by the referee to control sideline behaviour, a team official could be reported for failing to use best efforts to comply with this request.

Games cancelled for weather or other reasons will not be made up. Field space is limited; to allow teams to play a maximum number of games, the league does not set aside additional time for make-up games.

Win or lose always phone in or e-mail scores by Sunday, at a time agreed upon by your Divisional Liaison. If neither team reports a score, it may be recorded as a double forfeit.

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CODE OF ETHICS

Harassment

Harassment is a form of discrimination that will not be tolerated by BCSA, nor the 4-District Soccer League. It is defined as a verbally uttered or written (or e-mailed) comment, conduct or a gesture directed towards an individual or group of individuals, which is insulting, intimidating, humiliating, malicious, threatening, degrading or offensive. Discipline sanctions vary from a verbal apology to expulsion from membership.

Poaching

The BCSA forbids poaching. It is a serious offense and the penalty is severe. Poaching refers to situations where a team, through its responsible officers or representatives, attempts to induce a registered player of any team under the jurisdiction of the League to leave his team before completion of his team's league or cup commitments have been fulfilled and the defined season is completed.

Complaints of team officials poaching players from one club to another in the same district will be dealt with by that District's Board.

Poaching between one district and another district will be dealt with by the BCSA.

Fair Play Handshake

FIFA's Fair Play Handshake policy directs teams to have a pre-game hand shake as well as an end-of-match handshake.

The pre-game handshake will be organized by the team's officials or team captains.

Any post-game handshake is at the discretion of the teams, however, the atmosphere of the match should be considered before engaging.

Teams reserve the right to decline a request and the referee can continue his/her duties until s/he leaves the field and its immediate surrounds.

Team Officials & Spectators

Remember that children play organized sports for their own fun. They are not miniature professionals.

Be on your best behaviour. Don't use abusive, insulting, profane language or gestures or harass players, team officials, game officials or other spectators.

Applaud good plays or attempts by your own team as well as the visiting team.

Show respect for your team's opponents, without them there would be no games.

Never ridicule or scold a child for making a mistake during a competition.

Condemn the use of violence in all forms.

Respect the officials' decisions.

Always encourage players to play according to the rules.

Provide a healthy atmosphere for children to build both athletic and life skills.

Children model their behaviour after the adults who care for them and they often learn more from what they observe than what they are told.

It is important for adults to set a good example.

Stay off the field.

Suggested reading - "The Educated Parent" and the "Parent Code of Conduct" found on www.bcsoccer.net.

COACHES

Safety

Your first responsibility is the health and safety of all participants. See Page 10 re: Concussions, eyeglasses and insulin pumps.

It is recommended that coaches become certified in first aid and are aware of their club, league, district, or provincial requirements in this area.

Be prepared to handle first aid situations as well as medical emergencies at all practices and games, both home and away.

Have and know how to use a first aid kit and ice.

Know "911" procedures and the nearest telephone location.

Know the location of the nearest medical facility.

Follow up on all injuries with parents or guardians.

Know and understand the laws of the game, rules and policies.

Inspect players' equipment and field conditions for safety reasons.

Utilize proper teaching and instructing of players regarding safe techniques and methods of play.

Implement appropriate training programs to make sure players are fit for practice and competition.

Supervise and control your players so as to avoid injury situations.

Player Development

Develop the child's appreciation of the game and experience the thrill of participation.

Keep a proper perspective on winning and losing.

Be sensitive to each child's developmental needs.

Educate the players to the technical, tactical, physical and psychological demands of the game for their level.

Implement rules and equipment modifications according to the players' age group.

Allow players to experience all positions.

Players need to have fun and receive positive feedback.

Practice should be conducted in the spirit of enjoyment and learning in order to build their self-esteem.

Provide the appropriate number of training sessions and games according to each player's stage of development.

Strive to help all players reach their full potential and be prepared to move to the next stage of development.

Ethics

Strive to maintain integrity within our sport.

Set a standard of good sporting behaviour and work in the spirit of cooperation with officials, administrators, coaches and spectators to provide the participants with the maximum opportunity to develop.

Be a positive role model.

Encourage moral and social responsibility.

Keep the sport in proper perspective with education.

Coaches should continue their own education in the sport.

Please Remember

"These are kids.

This is a game.

Team officials are volunteers.

Referees are human.

Everyone wins with respect.

And, the first priority is to have fun!"

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COMMUNICATIONS

General

The 4-District League meets the second Monday of most months. Each district appoints two representatives and they are entitled to one vote each.

No member of the Board shall vote on any matter directly affecting him/herself or any team s/he is involved with.

District Chairs' meetings will be held in January and June as communicated.

Each District Chair, or their respective designate, will vote at the June meeting to adopt the rules for the upcoming season.

The League may, from time to time, make rules not provided for in the Guide.

Affiliation fees invoices are distributed to each district and are due November 1st.

Communications will only be accepted from registered team officials, Club Presidents or District Chairs. Fully identify yourself by including your District, Club and Team name, Division and League section.

If you have a concern of a general nature, which you feel should be brought to the attention of the League, please write to:

League Secretary

Christine Pietrzyk
C 604-837-4976
christine@pietrzyk.net

Correspondence to the individual member districts of the League should be directed to their respective District Secretary. These individuals are:

Burnaby District Secretary

Zeljko Cecic
H 604-421-1905
cecic@shaw.ca

North Shore District Secretary

Christine Pietrzyk
C 604-837-4976
christine@pietrzyk.net

Richmond District Secretary

Mary-Anne Humphrey
C 604-846-1920
Maryanne@richmondffc.ca

Vancouver District Secretary

Jaiden Simmons
C 604-347-6068
vysasecretary@vysa.ca

Complete contact lists for each District can be seen on pages 31 to 34 and on the individual District websites.

Cautions & Expulsions

All discipline correspondence related to league and cup games scheduled by the League should be directed to the District Discipline Committee member in your district. These individuals are:

Burnaby District Discipline

Doug Ross
c/o 7180 Paulus Crt,
Burnaby, BC V5A 1N2
C 778-773-0983
dross02@telus.net

North Shore District Discipline

Paul VanBuekenhout
c/o 1474 Lynn Valley Rd.,
N. Vancouver, BC V7J 2A9
C 604-756-5605
paulvanb@shaw.ca

Richmond District Discipline

Bob Harrison
9591 McBurney Drive
Richmond, BC V6X 3C5
H 604-271-2042
bob_harrison@telus.net

Vancouver District Discipline

Jackie Larson
788 East 30th Avenue
Vancouver, BC V5V 2V9
H/F 604-879-9948
jackielarson@shaw.ca

Note: hand deliver BCSA photo ID for all ejected players & team officials to the address in the district that the game was played.

Discipline Meeting Location

Willingdon Community Center
1491 Carleton Avenue, Burnaby, BC

Protests & Appeals

All protest correspondence relating to league and/or cup games scheduled by the League should be directed by a registered team official to the:

4-District Protest Committee Chair

TBA

Please refer to the protest form and section relating to Protests and Appeals on Page 17 for specific information regarding the proper procedure and grounds for filing a protest or appeal.

Any appeal of a decision made by the Protest Committee, the Discipline Committee or of the League itself is to be made by a registered team official to the:

BCSA Appeals Committee

#250, 3410 Lougheed Hwy
Vancouver, BC V5M 2A4

Websites

www.4districtsoccer.com
See link to Absent Referees
www.burnabysoccer.com
www.nsysa.ca
www.rcysc.com
www.richmondsoccer.com
www.vysa.ca
www.bcsoccer.net

Field Status Information

Information regarding fields can be obtained by both the home and away team or club officials (only) calling the following numbers.

"User discretion" refers to the decision made by the referee at the field.

Burnaby

P 604-294-7984 or 294-7459
(after 6 pm Thursday)
www.burnabyparksrec.org

Royal City YSC (New Westminster)

karenmurr@shaw.ca
www.rcysc.com
Do not call the Hotline.

Richmond

P 604-276-4383
www.richmondsoccer.com

Vancouver

P 604-473-6206
(after 1 pm Friday)
www.vancouverparks.ca

Vancouver School Board

P 604-713-6000 Ext 2666
www.vancouverparks.ca

North Vancouver

P 604-983-6444, then push 503
(Usually after noon Fridays)
www.northvanrec.com

West Vancouver

P 604-926-6863
(Usually after noon Fridays)
www.westvansoccer.com/fields

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U-11 to U-18 GENERAL INFORMATION

The Youth Soccer League operates under the Constitution, Bylaws and Rules and Regulations of the BC Soccer Association (BCSA).

Burnaby, North Shore, Richmond, and Vancouver Districts each have a Youth Soccer Association that is responsible for the general operation and promotion of soccer within its respective geographic boundaries, while the League is responsible for league alignment, discipline and game scheduling.

All affiliated youth teams are entitled to full participation in the league. The league will not accept any attempted forfeits of away games in Bowen Island, Squamish, Whistler, Sunshine Coast or Pemberton. Any team who forfeits will be penalized in accordance with Page 21.

The League does not schedule "friendly" or "exhibition" games.

4-District Schedulers

Each member district provides one person to collect their district's team affiliations, allocate playing fields and pairings and create league sections or divisions for the league schedule. The 4-District Soccer League appoints a Scheduling Secretary who would be a neutral fifth person and reporter to the 4-District Board. These five people comprise the Scheduling Committee.

4-District Scheduling Secretary

Fred Quan
mel.fred@telus.net

Bronze Scheduler & Burnaby Home Games

Jay Juni
jay.juni@shaw.ca

Silver Scheduler & Vancouver Home Games

Sirtaj Alivysaschedulingrep@vysa.ca

Gold Scheduler & Richmond Home Games

Emad Ghashghaee
rfcfieldscheduler@gmail.com

North Shore Home Games

TBA

8-aside Scheduler

TBA

Intent to Play

By July 15th, Clubs must submit to their District Scheduler their list of viable teams for the season. Each entry must have a team name and two contacts and contact information for the website by this time and at least the minimum number of players registered. Do not project that teams may exist. Teams must have a team name – no TBAs will be accepted. No changes to team names will be accepted after July 15th.

Teams may be added after July 15 if doing so removes a bye. Byes will not be created in groups just to accommodate a late-entering team or a team that has been formed as a result of other teams in that District folding.

In order to make league sections as competitive as possible, include as much information as you can to assist the Schedulers.

It is primarily the Club's responsibility to ensure, where a team should be placed.

The first weeks of play are not meant to try out a new level of play. The level of play should have been determined beforehand.

The onus is on the clubs and teams to ensure they are entered into the proper league section before the schedule has been published. Only teams that are deemed to be seriously out-matched will be promoted or relegated. See Page 6.

Where an organization submits more than one U-11 team, U-11 teams from that source are to be balanced, for example of approximately equal strength.

Even though the teams are designated Red, White or Blue, and they are not tiered according to strength, the League considers them to be the highest caliber of play for that age group, therefore, there will be no permitting within 4-District U-11.

Teams of players aged up to and including U-12 must play in their own birthdate age group, and are not permitted to "play up as a team".

A Club may not enter teams in an age group with the same name even if differentiated by a number.

More Than Five (5) Ex-MSL / BCSP L Players

Teams wishing to register more than five players who played for the MSL/BCSP L in the previous season will require specific permission of the League, with the proviso that no more than three may come from the BCSP L.

District approval must be obtained first and then a written request must be submitted by

the District to the 4-District League **before their June meeting.**

Written request must include the division, team name(s) and standings, the coaches' name, Registration returning players from the previous season, the name of the ex-MSL/BCSP L players and the rationale for adding more ex-MSL/BCSP L players.

The same process must be followed at any time before or during the season if by adding an ex-MSL/BCSP L will put a team over the limit of five (5).

Teams found not to have received permission to register more than five (5) former MSL / BCSP L players for the season will have forfeits assessed for all games played to date.

Scheduling - Leagues

Where the number of teams allow for it, the League offers three levels of play, namely "Gold", "Silver" and "Bronze".

While most teams will be entered into the requested league section, final placement will be determined by the schedulers based on all information available to them at the time.

To allow better competition among limited numbers of teams, U-17 and U-18 Gold divisions may play in interlocked leagues based on their playing level. Teams in which all players qualify as U-17 age can declare themselves as a U-17 team, while teams with one or more U-18 aged players must enter as U-18.

For purposes of Provincial Cup Rules, a team declared as a U-17 team at the commencement of the season can only play in the Provincial Cup at the U-17 age level. Teams entered as U-18 at the commencement of the season can only play in Provincial Cup at the U-18 age level.

The League reserves the right to place teams at an age level above its own age group when it is deemed appropriate by the Board. The Board may promote or relegate teams that are improperly placed in a league.

Divisional Liaisons

Prior to the beginning of each season, Divisional Liaisons will be appointed for each division. These individuals ensure teams are contacted regarding their games and schedule changes; they are also your principal contacts for score reporting.

In all cases, the Divisional Liaison works through the Scheduling Committee, and is the link between individual teams and the league. Under no circumstances should any team treat information received from other sources as "official". The Divisional

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Liaisons will report the scores to the 4-District Scheduling Secretary who will upload them to the 4-District website.

League Schedule

Team contact with the Schedulers is through the Divisional Liaison assigned to their league of play. Do not call the scheduler!

Schedules, contact lists and field locations can be found on the www.4districtsoccer.com website. To ensure the accuracy of this list, please make sure that your Liaison has your correct e-mail address, phone number and team responsibility.

Please note that teams generally play their games on Saturdays but due to field shortages and availability of turf fields, teams may be scheduled to play (League and / or Cup) games on other days or nights. Check your schedule.

Scores – League Standings

U-11 to U-18

Both teams must e-mail the score to the Divisional Liaison no later than the Sunday of the weekend of the scheduled game. If neither team reports the score, it may be recorded as a double forfeiture.

There will be no standings posted for U-11 or U-12.

Please be respectful of your opposition and refrain from running up scores.

Team officials who repeatedly run up the score will be required to address the issue with the 4-District Scheduling Committee.

U-13 to U-18

Unofficial standings can be found on www.4districtsoccer.com. Errors in the unofficial standings must be brought to the attention of the Divisional Liaison within 4 weeks of the game being played.

Teams should also report to the Divisional Liaison any game which was cancelled due to field conditions, abandoned by the referee or where the opposition and/or the referee, or assistant referees at U-16 to U-18, did not "show".

For all U-16 to U-18 League and Cup games, the home team, Club or District must provide two uniformed assistant referees with *Small-Side Referee* qualifications or higher.

Note: For the 2016–2017 season Assistant Referees must be provided for U-15 League Cup Games. While this is a trial year districts must do a "best effort" to also provide AR's for U-15 league games.

You should also mention if a team was not able to produce BCSA photo ID before the start of the game. See pages 8 and 14.

See Fines and Performance Bond Schedule on Page 21 of this Guide for the consequences of failure to comply with league operation and discipline requirements. Games are not to be Cancelled or Changed between Team Officials.

Team officials choosing to ignore this rule will find that the result is a double forfeiture.

Requests for Schedule Cancellation

See the Schedule Cancellation Request form on the 4-District website as well your own District's website. All such requests **must be in writing** and e-mailed or faxed by a registered team official to the 4-District Scheduling Secretary not later than fourteen (14) full days before the game for which the schedule change is requested. See Page 4 for contact information. Requests **will only** be granted based on participation in a sanctioned school or religious activity that seriously depletes your team (e.g. class field trip). Please identify the event, the number of players involved, their names, and the name of the sponsor or teacher.

Note: if your request is based on a lack of players, it may not be granted if you have eleven (11) or even fewer players available. Technically, you need only seven (7) players (one of whom must be the goalkeeper) for a match to take place.

The 4-District Scheduling Secretary will contact the District Registrar to determine how many players are registered with the team. For example: If the team has 18 registered players and, say, four are unavailable the team will be considered to have enough to field a team.

The 4-District Scheduling Secretary will circulate the request to the 4-District Secretary for a Board decision. The 4-District Secretary will send the decision to the 4-District Scheduling Secretary and the Schedulers. The 4-District Scheduling Secretary will inform the team.

"Request to Cancel" games will be recorded as a "game not played."

Standings / Changes to Leagues

A 4-District Schedulers' meeting will be held the Monday before Thanksgiving with teams being promoted or relegated based on the results of the games played up to Thanksgiving. Very high or low goal differences, as well as the league standing of the teams they have played against, will be the determining factors. The competition level for the majority of the teams in the

grouping take precedence over that of a single team. Team placement decisions made by the Scheduling Committee at this time are final.

A revised schedule and standings table will be issued to begin the second weekend after Thanksgiving.

In order to make all games played relevant to the standings, teams that enter late or change from one section to another will enter their new division with the average points of the new section.

Teams remaining in the group will retain and carry forward all of their points to date.

The league schedule covers all regular league play and breakdown of league cups for the entire season.

Teams that fail to play the opposition or who forfeit games are subject to fines and / or Performance Bonds and game official costs.

Standings / Declaring a League Winner

At the end of the season, the U-13 to U-18 team with the highest number of points will be declared the league winner, unless a team(s) that has played fewer games could equal or exceed the points leader (number of fewer games played x 3 points). In this situation co-winners will be declared. The total number of games played before Thanksgiving are included no matter which league section they were in before that time.

Final Standings

Please note that goal differential (goals for, goals against) is not used to calculate Final Standings.

No Make-Up Games

As un-booked field space is limited in most districts, in order to be fair to the majority of teams there will be no make-up games.

This includes games that are cancelled due to weather-related or unplayable field conditions.

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REGISTRATION

General Information

Interpretation: a team official shall mean a coach, assistant coach, manager, or any other person registered and who oversees the operation of an affiliated team.

Each season, all players and team officials must be officially registered with both your Club and District Registrars.

A player must be registered with their district at least 24 hours prior to a league game. A player must be registered 7 days prior to taking part in any cup competition. While new players may be registered up to the last league game of the season he must play at least one league game before he can play in any cup game for that team.

A player must reside in the district that he is registered in at the time of his first league game or the player is considered to be an Out-of-District player.

A youth-aged player may register and play outside of the district in which he resides with a validated Out-of-District form.

No affiliated team of youth-aged players, U-13 to U-18, may register more than five out-of-district players. Note: Districts' Parks Boards may have a policy of non-resident percentages. All players must comply with BCSA Rule 22, Zoning.

Clubs and Districts reserve the right to accept or reject the application of any player or team official.

Team officials must ask their players if they have already registered or played with any other team, in your district, another district or for a senior team, this season. Youth players are ineligible to play in an age division for which they attain the limiting age before January 1st of the current calendar year.

Once a player is registered on a team, he must not play for another team unless he is officially transferred or is playing on an Intra-Club Permit.

See General Information-Intent to Play.

A youth player can play for a senior team with permission but cannot play for a youth team once they have signed with a senior team unless they are reinstated in accordance with BCSA rules.

Once a player has completed the season that he turns 18, he is no longer eligible to play for a youth team.

Correct Year of Birth

Youth-aged players are grouped into divisions by their year of birth or later. In 2016-2017:

- U-18: Born in 1999
- U-17: Born in 2000
- U-16: Born in 2001
- U-15: Born in 2002
- U-14: Born in 2003
- U-13: Born in 2004
- U-12: Born in 2005
- U-11: Born in 2006

Players Must Prove Age

Players' new to divisional play must submit proof of age at the time of registration. Proof of age includes birth or baptismal certificates, citizenship papers, passports or landing documents.

Documented proof of age may also be necessary from time to time. Affidavits may only be considered with multiple items of corroborating documentation acceptable to the District Registrar. Please do not submit original documents.

Unregistered Players

The use of unregistered players is absolutely prohibited! There are severe penalties for using unregistered players. See Page 22: 6 month suspension and a fine.

How Many Players Can I Sign?

U-13 to U-16 teams may register a maximum of 18 players while U-17 and U-18 may register a maximum of 20 players. If you exceed that limit, one player must be removed from your team (by whatever process your District has mandated) before another can be added. BCSA photo IDs must be turned in as well.

See U-11 & U-12 Program Information, Page 12.

Inter-Provincial & International Transfers

Players (aged 10 and older) moving from one province to another (inter-provincial transfer) must receive written clearance from the Provincial Association with which he was last registered. A player moving from one Country to another (international transfer) must receive an International Transfer Clearance (ITC) from the Country with which he was last registered.

Check with your District for the proper procedure to be followed.

Player Transfers from One Team to Another

Once a team has played its first league game in the current playing season a BCSA transfer form must be used to transfer a player from one team to another.

The transfer deadline is January 15th. Player transfers must be filed with BCSA at least 1 day before any league play or 7 days before any cup competition.

(Check www.bcsoccer.net for transfer deadlines to or from an MSL or BC SPL team.)

District approval must be obtained prior to delivering the form to the District. It is the responsibility of the team "obtaining" the player to make sure the form and fee are received by the District. The player cannot play for his old team while awaiting transfer approval.

The District Registrar will file the form with BCSA and approve the player once BCSA has confirmed eligibility.

A transferred player shall not be 'eligible' to play for the new team in any cup competition in which the player has already competed during the current playing season.

A player transferred to a youth team must play at least one league game before playing in cup competition for the team to which he has been transferred unless under exceptional circumstances the Competitions Committee may grant an exception to this requirement.

Players registered on teams in the U-12 and younger age groups may transfer at any time within their own age group during their playing season while U-13 to U-18 teams are limited to only three (3) player transfers per playing season. The transfer forms can be obtained from the BCSA office, or from your club or District.

Players transferred from one team to another will require a new BCSA photo ID card with the new team information.

BCSA PHOTO ID CARDS

Player Identification

As per BCSA, Rule 5, Registration, from October 1st, onwards all 4-District U-11 to U-18 players and all team officials require a validated BCSA photo ID for all matches.

This photo ID must be specific to the team that the player or team official is registered with.

BCSA mandates that while a team official has only one assigned “staff” number, they must have a validated BCSA photo ID specific to each team they coach.

Getting Started on BCSA Photo ID

Contact your District for photo ID procedure.

The BCSA photo ID cards must be stamped and / or initialled then laminated by the designated district official every year. Only then are the cards deemed valid ID cards. Any attempt to forge ID cards, or to give false information, will result in serious disciplinary charges against team officials, such as fines or suspensions.

No BCSA Photo ID, No Play

Prior to the start of the game the front and back of all BCSA Photo ID cards will be checked by the referee. Two copies of the team list must be given to the referee (or designate) for checking-off purposes. The BCSA Photo ID cards will be retained by the referee until the game is over, and only the cards of players that have not been ejected will be returned.

Team officials must make sure they get the team’s BCSA Photo ID cards back at the end of the game.

Failure to Produce BCSA Photo ID

From October 1st onwards it is the responsibility of team officials to make the team’s BCSA photo ID cards available to the referee prior to the start of any game.

Players and team officials without validated BCSA photo ID will be ineligible to play, coach or manage.

Their name will not appear on the team list and they must not be on the team bench.

An exception will only be made when the person provides written permission from the District Discipline Rep or, when specific to registration, the District Registrar. This would have been done in advance of your game.

Lack of “ALL” BCSA Photo ID

Teams that are unable to provide the referee with **all** of their team’s BCSA photo ID’s or the above mentioned documentation prior to the start of a scheduled game will default the game, with the points going to the non-offending team. This decision will be made by the League, not the referee.

With the agreement of both teams, the game may proceed as a “friendly”. The referee will include this information in his game report. Team officials should be aware that any cautions, ejections or misconduct resulting from this “friendly” are subject to normal discipline procedures.

Should both teams fail to produce satisfactory BCSA photo ID, the result will be a double forfeiture. See pages 8 and 14.

Teams failing to produce “all” of their BCSA photo ID may be suspended from play until they comply.

BCSA Photo ID & Intra-Club Permits

*Please note that Intra-Club Permits must be accompanied by a BCSA Photo ID. If both of these documents are not available **prior to the start of the game the player will NOT be allowed to play.** There is no exception to this rule.*

See Fines & Performance Bond, Page 21, “Any team official who knowingly plays a suspended (ineligible) or unregistered (illegal) player) or contravenes the Intra-Club Permit rule by playing a player without a valid Intra-Club Permit and BCSA Photo ID is subject to a 6 month suspension from all soccer related activities. Also refer to Page 2.

Ejections & BCSA Photo ID

Should a player or team official be ejected or reported for misconduct that person’s BCSA photo ID card will be retained by the referee and forwarded to the Home District’s Discipline Representative.

BCSA Photo ID will be retained by the District Discipline Rep until the person is eligible to play / coach or manage again, at which time it is the team official’s responsibility to retrieve the player’s BCSA photo ID. See addresses on the Communications Page 4.

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INTRA-CLUB PERMITS

4-District Boys League Intra-Club Permits (ICP)

Players registered with 4-D League teams or "In-District League" U-11 teams, shall be granted permission to play on Permit for a 4-District league team **operated by the same Club**, provided the player has the consent of their registered team, the approval of their Club (including, in the case of U-11 and U-12, adherence to the Club's technically-based playing up policy) and District authorization, as follows:

"In-District" U-11 players may only play on permit for a 4-District U-11 team within their club.

Even though the teams are designated Red, White or Blue, and they are not tiered according to strength, the League considers them to be the highest caliber of play for that age group, therefore, there will be no permitting within 4-District U-11.

4-District U-11 players may only play on permit for a 4-District U-12 team.

Players playing in U-12 may play on permit for a team playing in a higher caliber U-12 section, or in an equal or higher caliber section in U-13.

Players playing U-13 to U-18 may play on permit for a team playing in a higher caliber section in their own age Division, or an older age Division in an equal or higher caliber section.

Each section within the league (Gold 1, Gold 2, Silver, Bronze, etc.) is a different caliber.

A player's age Division is defined by their registered team (not player's actual birth year).

Permits will be allowed for league games only, and not for any Cup games. Registered Out-of-District players shall not be eligible to play under permit.

Players under suspension will not be eligible to play under permit.

A permitted player may not be used at the expense of a player on the obtaining team who is able to play. Permits will not be granted if it means the player's league team may be short players for their scheduled game.

Be sure that the player you are calling up will be able to play before you get a permit signed by your district as, once a permit has been issued, it will not be retracted and will count as one of the 3 permits per season allowed for that player. The only exception to that would be if the game in question was not played.

Teams requesting ICPs shall do so only with a 4-D League ICP. The ICP bearing the consent of the releasing team and approval of the District Designate must be completed prior to the game. Each District and / or its Clubs may set additional conditions for approval or may choose not to approve any ICP permits as it deems appropriate.

A permit is valid only for the team, day and league game stated on the permit application form. This form can be found on www.4districtsoccer.com.

Please note an Intra-Club Permit allows a player to play for a team he isn't registered with on a specific day and time.

A transfer moves a player permanently from his old team to the new team.

From October 1st onwards, any ICP must be accompanied by the player's valid BCSA Photo ID Card. The only exception to this is that U-11 in-house players permitting up to a U-11 team within their club playing in 4-District does not require a BCSA photo ID.

Teams shall not be granted permits for more than three (3) players for any one league game. A player shall not play on a permit more than three (3) times in one season.

Any disciplinary action applied from misconduct reported while playing in a game under permit shall be served during future games of their registered team, as per discipline rules.

It is the responsibility of the accepting team officials to confirm with their club TD or head coach that this permit complies with any club policy that may exist re: playing up and that it is in the best interest of the player involved.

Any team playing a player on a permit that does not conform to the above rules shall be sanctioned as for playing an ineligible player, and have permit privileges withdrawn. Any District approving permits not conforming to the above rules can be sanctioned by withdrawal of permit privileges for its District for up to one year.

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RULES OF PLAY

General Rules

Games are played under the guidelines established by the BCSA. Any item in this Guide is subject to the operating rules of that body.

It is the team officials' responsibility to familiarize themselves with FIFA's Laws of the Game and BCSA Rules & Regulations.

U-11 / 12 Program teams should refer to specific rules on pages 12 and 13. Note: BCSA's requirement of a retreat line at U-11, U-12 and U-13.

Decorum

Team officials must take an active role in maintaining discipline on the sidelines and controlling not only themselves but their parents, fans and substitute players. Team officials will be held responsible for activities on the sidelines.

Duration of Game

U-18 and U-17	2 x 45 min
U-16 and U-15	2 x 40 min
U-14 and U-13	2 x 35 min
U-12 and U-11	2 x 30 min

Size of the Game Ball

U-18 and U-13	#5 ball
U-12 and U-11	#4 ball

Home Team

Important: Refer to Page 2 Welcome, regarding the home team's responsibility to contact their opposition and a team's inability to fulfill their game commitment.

Field Lining, Nets & Game Ball

Home teams must provide nets, an appropriate sized game ball and line the field to the satisfaction of the referee. Please use sports field whitening or some other non-toxic material for this purpose. Lime should **not** be used.

Corner Flags

The home team must provide corner flags standing a minimum of 5 feet above the ground for all divisions.

"Bicycle flag" type corner flags are not permitted, as there have been cases of severe eye injuries sustained by players.

Number of Players

Seven registered players, one of whom must be a goalkeeper, are required to begin a game at U-11 to U-18. Less than seven players is a default. Under no circumstances are teams to use players not registered on their team unless they have

been officially transferred or are playing on an Intra-Club Permit.

Jerseys, Team Colours, etc.

To assist the referee, jersey numbers are required for teams at U-11 to U-18 for all levels. Each player on the team must have a number on his jersey. To avoid complaints of ineligible players that number must not be duplicated and must correspond to the jersey number on the team list.

See Page 21 *Fines & Performance Bond Schedule* for consequences if team officials are found to have used ineligible players.

Teams must communicate with their opposition to avoid same colour jerseys. In the event of a colour clash (both teams have the same colour strip), the home team must change to avoid confusion.

If used, compression shorts must be the same colour as the shorts worn by the players.

If tape or similar material is applied externally it must be the same color as the part of the sock it is applied to. Clear tape may be the answer.

Headwear & Jewellery

Religious headwear may be worn at games such as turbans, patkas or keskis, although it must be safe and not pose a danger to the wearer or other participants. All jewellery and piercings must be removed. The only exception is for Medic Alert and religious bracelets but they must be totally covered by tape so as not to cause injury to the player or anyone else. All items of clothing are subject to the inspection by the game official.

Casts

Players wearing a soft cast will be permitted to play if the cast does not present a danger to the individual or any other player. The referee can make an observation and make the final decision as to the acceptability of any cast.

Concussions, Insulin Pump, Eyewear

It's important that team officials educate themselves about the seriousness of concussions and any other traumatic brain injuries and when the player can safely return to play. Best policy is: "*when in doubt sit them out.*"

Some signs of concussion are: "pressure in the head", neck pain, nausea / vomiting, balance problems, blurred vision, seeing stars or spots, not clear-headed, difficulty concentrating or remembering and confusion.

BCSA Return-to-play policy requires players, with their parent(s)/guardian(s) if

the player is under the age of 18, diagnosed with a concussion provide written evidence of medical clearance to the team's coach and also the local club and youth district before returning to activity (e.g. Competition, practice or physical conditioning sessions.)

A violation of this policy will be considered an institutional violation and member organizations will be subject to discipline by BC Soccer.

At the discretion of the referee the wearing of eyeglasses is acceptable as are insulin pumps as long as they are not a danger to the player or another player.

Team Lists

Using the team list form, found at the front of the Guide, as a "master", teams shall provide game officials with two copies of their team lists before the commencement of the game.

Full names, jersey numbers and division level must be printed clearly on the team list. Names should be given as registered with BCSA – no nicknames or initials.

Prior to the start of the game it is the responsibility of the team official to give the team lists to the referee and, in return, to obtain the opposing team's list.

Teams may lodge challenges concerning ineligible players at half time or at a throw-in or corner kick. The referee will witness the challenge.

Start Your Game on Time

Games are to start promptly at the scheduled time. Should the opposing team not be at the field by the scheduled time, the referee will wait for 15 minutes. If the team does not show by that time, the game will be called.

The referee may be requested to submit a game report to the 4-District Scheduling Secretary and that committee will make a decision as to the outcome of the game not played.

Fair Play Handshake

FIFA's Fair Play Handshake policy directs teams to have a **pre-game handshake** as well as post-game handshake. The pre-game handshake will be organized by the team's officials or the team captains.

Any post-game handshake is at the discretion of the teams, however, the atmosphere of the match should be considered before engaging.

Teams reserve the right to decline a request and the referee can continue his/her duties until s/he leaves the field and its immediate surrounds.

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No Referee for a Game?

If the referee has not shown 15 minutes after the designated game starting time and both teams agree to play the game, the home team will referee the first half and the visiting team will referee the second half, unless it is agreed that one person will referee the whole game.

However, if the teams wish to play the game as a "friendly" then they must sign and exchange team lists in advance of the game, indicating on the list that they are in agreement to the "friendly". Scores will be recorded as reported if these team lists are not signed and exchanged in this manner.

Every effort should be made to play the game. If the teams do not agree to play the game, the game will not be re-scheduled.

Substitutions

Unlimited substitutions are permitted in all league and cup games. Substitutions may be made at a stoppage in play at the referee's discretion; and in compliance with the correct FIFA procedure.

Substitutes must wear jackets or pinnies when on the sidelines so as not to be mistaken for an on-field player. The player should have his jacket or pinnie off and must be ready to play as soon as the coach receives permission from the referee for the substitution.

The player being substituted must be off the field before the new player enters.

Entering / Re-entering the Field

Will only be allowed with the referee's permission.

Offside

Whether a player is offside or not is strictly the referee's decision. It is not an offense to be in an offside position unless, in the referee's opinion, the player is involved in active play by interfering or gaining an advantage at the moment the ball is touched or played by one of his team. Coaches, supporters and unofficial (parent / fan) club linespersons are to refrain from advising referees of offside calls.

Club Linesperson U-11 to U-15 (Parent / Fan)

While it is mandatory that linespersons be provided for each U-11 to U-15 game, referees have the right to either not use or dismiss them at his / her discretion.

If you are a "club linesperson", your only job is to call the whole ball "out". At no time shall "club linespersons" call or indicate offside.

Coaches are discouraged from acting as linespersons as it impedes their ability to properly guide their team during the game.

Coaching from the Sidelines

Coaching is not allowed at the goal end of the field. Players should not warm up in this area, and playing gear should not be left in the area of the goal posts.

Where do Team Officials, Players & Fans Stand?

Where field configuration permits, both teams' officials and their players must stand on one side of the field while both teams' spectators will stand on the opposite side of the field.

Fan Behavior

Fans must not be in the vicinity of the goal ends.

Where field configuration does not permit spectators must NOT stand behind the technical area.

It is the team official's responsibility to make sure this requirement is met.

Team officials are responsible for the behaviour of their fans. Speak to your fans before the referee has to request you to do so. If requested by the referee to control sideline behaviour, a team official could be reported for failing to use best efforts to comply with this request.

Hands Off

If you're trying to get someone's attention do not put your hands on them. In this day and age you could be charged with assault.

Red Card Offenses

It is the responsibility of team officials to inform their players as to what constitutes a "red card" offense. Ignorance of the FIFA Laws of the Game will not protect a player from expulsion.

If an individual is ejected from the game or is requested to leave, they must leave the immediate area. The person will still be considered to be in the playing area or park if the individual continues to direct misconduct towards the playing area from outside the park's limits.

Neither an ejected player nor a team official who has been sent from the area for misconduct may take part in the post-game handshake.

A Reminder for All Teams

School and park permits are subject to cancellation if alcoholic beverages are brought, dispensed or consumed on a park or school site.

Schools and parks must be kept clean. Take home your half-time refreshment debris.

Artificial Turf Field Rules

Footwear must be cleaned on mats or the boot scrapers provided outside the entry gates before the players enter the field. No screw-in stud footwear are allowed, including metal or plastic studs. This rule will be strictly enforced.

Only team officials and players registered to the team are allowed inside the fenced area. Spectators must remain outside the fenced area unless bleacher seating is provided.

Bad Weather Directions

See Communications on Page 4 for contact information.

As weather becomes poor, games will be moved to all-weather surfaces or cancelled outright by the Schedulers.

Field decisions may not be uniform throughout our playing area. Fields may be closed in one municipality while they are open in others.

The 4-District Schedulers will notify the clubs within their district if all league play is cancelled within their district or if certain fields are known to be unplayable due to snow, ice or flooding. The home team must notify their opposition as soon as possible of the cancellation or change. Failure to do so can result in a forfeit by the home team.

If there is no "blanket" closure in your district, but you know that the field you are scheduled on is either snow-covered, frozen or flooded, contact your District Scheduler to let them know and they will take the steps necessary to cancel or change the game. If you do not hear via your District Scheduler and your Club that the game has been cancelled, both teams should be in attendance to play as scheduled and the referee will make the decision as to the playability of the field at game time.

Called League Games (Abandoned due to Field & Weather conditions)

Games that are called prior to the commencement of the second half due to deteriorating field and weather conditions or because of limited time constraints on turf fields for example lights will be recorded as cancelled. These cancelled games will not be included in the standings and will not be made up at a later date.

Any game that is called during the second half due to deteriorating field and weather conditions or because of limited time constraints on turf fields for example lights

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will be considered complete. The score at the time the game is called will be recorded as the final result.

Called League Cup Games, see Page 15.

Abandoned Games

Only a referee can abandon a game. Any game abandoned by the referee will be investigated by the Abandoned Games Committee, based on the referee's report and, if required, reports from the two teams. The committee will decide the points, if any, to be awarded for the game.

U-11 & U-12 PROGRAM INFORMATION

All rules in this Guide pertain to everyone. However, the following are some rules specific to small-sided soccer / mini soccer.

Background to Small-Sided / Mini Soccer

The U-11 / 12 Program is an important part of the BCSA Long Term Player Development Model (LTPD). Modifications of the Laws of the Game, for each age group, appear in the "Small-Side Soccer Development Manual at www.bcsoccer.net.

The BCSA age-group specific modifications of the FIFA Laws of the Game shall apply to U-11 and U-12 soccer.

The U-11 & U-12 Program

LTPD is a player-centered (player first) approach that provides guidelines for correct training, competition, and recovery based on scientific principles of human development and athlete training, combined with the knowledge of expert coaches.

Player-centered means we respect the developmental needs of our players first and foremost. We ensure that our young players have fun while they learn so they want to continue playing. It also means we provide challenging opportunities for special talents so they can develop their abilities and pursue excellence.

A coach's mission is essentially to convey knowledge and social skills to young players. To achieve this, the coach must understand children's characteristics and take into account age and skills. In short, the coach must teach **through encouragement and achievement**. "Play" is children's main activity, an essential need and innate in all children. Thus, the main objectives of soccer at these ages are to introduce children to the practices of soccer through play.

BC Soccer recommends all member clubs commit to supporting and promoting a responsible, ongoing, progressive evaluation and assessment process as it relates to player identification, selection and placement. This would include the removal of the reference and promotion of the "TRY OUT" mentality within their club and team atmosphere. All evaluations and assessments should be conducted under the direction and guidance of the technical lead and supported by experienced and trained coaches within the community stream of development.

All games are to be played with an emphasis of enjoyment, sportsmanship, responsible player development and talent identification practices, education and respect for teammates, opponents and referees. Players must play equal time and experience a variety of positions including the goalkeeper.

Some coaches will always want to win at all costs, regardless of whether or not there are league standings. This is an unfortunate reality of community children's sport. However, the LTPD approach to competition below U-12 provides the best overall incentive for coaches and players to focus on broad based player development instead of a "win at all costs" approach.

There is no league or cup to "win". Where an organization submits more than one U-11 team, U-11 teams from that source are to be balanced e.g. of approximately equal strength.

Teams of players aged up to and including U-12 must play in their own birthdate age group, and are not permitted to "play up as a team."

At U-12, all teams play in 4-District, with each team playing in one of about 10 divisions of different calibre.

Fair Play Handshake

FIFA's Fair Play Handshake policy directs teams to have a pre-game handshake; this will be organized by the team's officials or the team captains, as well as a post-game handshake.

Any post-game handshake is at the discretion of the teams, however, the atmosphere of the match should be considered before engaging.

Teams reserve the right to decline a request and the referee can continue his/her duties until s/he leaves the field and its immediate surrounds.

Don't Run Up the Score

Please be respectful of the opposition and refrain from running up the score. Team

officials who repeatedly run up the score will be required to address the issue with the 4-District Scheduling Committee.

Schedules and contacts can be found on www.4districtsoccer.com.

Scores must be reported to the 4-District Liaison after each game for placement and discipline tracking purposes only.

Basic Information for Coaches and Managers of U-11 & U-12 Teams

Read the entire Guide. This explains how Soccer operates, the formal rules and procedures, and your rights and responsibilities as a coach, parent or player.

Your Division Liaison is your main contact regarding the schedule. Your 4-District Liaison will e-mail you with schedule changes and inform you how to communicate scores and questions. The U-11 schedule will appear on the 4-District website but scores and standings will not be published.

Clubs must ensure that there is a retreat line at U-11 and U-12 scheduled games. See the 4-District website for details.

Clubs must ensure that 4-District U-11 and U-12 game referees as well as coaches and managers know the procedures regarding BCSA photo ID and team lists.

Club Linesperson (Parent / Fan)

If you are a "club linesperson", your only job is to call the whole ball "out". At no time shall "club linespersons" call or indicate offside.

Coaches are discouraged from acting as linespersons as it impedes their ability to properly guide their team during the game.

Referees are in charge of the game. Most of the referees for U-11 and U-12 are youth divisional soccer players themselves. They are trained, and they know the laws of the game, but some of them will have limited refereeing experience. They need coaches' and parents' support and respect in carrying out their duties.

Dissent from team officials or players is unacceptable. Regular Discipline applies to U-11 and U-12 games.

'Let the kids play'. Soccer is a game; it is for fun. Parents, spectators and team officials should stay in the background.

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Scheduling: U-11 & U-12 Program Specific Information

Most districts will have district-specific rules for the use of fields for U-11 / U-12 soccer. It is especially important, where games are played across full size fields, that spectators do not stand in the full size field's goal area. Damage to fields by spectators may lead to loss of fields from the U-11 / U-12 pool. The home team is responsible for marking the field, providing nets, and managing the impact of spectators on the fields.

BCSA Modifications to the FIFA Laws of the Game, Small-Sided Referee Rules for U-11 & U-12

Law 1 – The Field of Play

Length: 60 (Min) 75 (Max) Metres
Width: 42 (Min) 55 (Max) Metres

Field Markings: Distinctive lines not more than fifteen (15) centimetres wide. The field of play is divided into thirds and by a centre spot that is located at the midpoint. A circle with a radius of nine (9) metres may, but not mandatory be marked around it. An offside line parallel to the centre line should be marked from touch line to touch line at the attacking third mark. NB: All field markings may be marked by the means of cones (woss-markers).

Goal Area: None

The Penalty Area: A penalty area is defined at each end of the field as follows:

Two lines are drawn at right angles to the goal line, eleven (11) metres from the inside of each goalpost. These lines extend into the field of play for a distance of eleven (11) metres and are joined by a line drawn parallel with the goal line. The area bounded by these lines and the goal line is the penalty area. Within each penalty area a penalty mark is made nine (9) metres from the midpoint between the goalposts and equidistant to them.

Flag Posts: Conform to FIFA if used, they have to be at least 5 feet (they however are not mandatory).

The Corner Arc: Conform to FIFA if marked it has to be one meter (they however are not mandatory).

Goal Posts: Goals must be placed on the centre of each goal line and measure 5.486 x 1.981 metres, 18 feet wide and 6.5 feet high.

Law 2 – The Ball

The ball must conform to FIFA standards and must conform to the FIFA inflation specifications. Size four (4).

Law 3 – The Number of Players

A match is played by two teams, each consisting of not more than eight (8) players, one of whom is the goalkeeper. **A match may not start if either team consists of fewer than seven players one of whom is the goalkeeper.** All players shall play equal playing time.

Substitutions: At any stoppage, substitutions are unlimited and must be done with the officials' permission.

Law 4 – The Players Equipment

Conform to FIFA. Non-uniform clothing is allowed based on weather conditions, but uniforms must still distinguish teams. The goalkeeper should wear a colour that distinguishes him / her from both teams. Shin guards are mandatory and must be worn under the socks. Jewellery is not permitted. (see Page 10 for specifics)

Law 5 – The Referee

A Small-Sided Referee or nominated person may be used who will enforce the rules and control who may enter and leave the field of play.

The referee's role is to keep players safe. A Small-Sided Referee can send a team official from the field if they fail to conduct themselves in a responsible manner.

Law 6 – The Assistant Referee

A nominated person whose sole responsibility is to indicate when the ball goes out of play.

Law 7 – The Duration of the Match

The match will be divided into two (2) halves of thirty (30) minutes each. There shall be a half-time interval of five (5) minutes.

Law 8 – The Start and Restart of Play

Conform to FIFA with the exception that opponents of the team taking the kick-off are at least nine (9) metres from the ball until it is in play.

Law 9 – The Ball In and Out of Play

Conform to FIFA.

Law 10 – The Method of Scoring

Conform to FIFA.

Law 11 – Offside

Conform to FIFA with the exception of only occurring in the attacking third.

Law 12 – Fouls and Misconduct

Conform to FIFA with the exception that an indirect free kick is awarded to the opposing team at the center spot on the 4 half way line if a goalkeeper punts or drop-kicks the ball in the air from his penalty area into the opponents. Cautionary and expulsion cards are used and the referee will explain all infringements to the offending player.

Law 13 – Free Kicks

Conform to FIFA with the exception that opponents are at least nine (9) metres from the ball. Direct and Indirect free kicks apply.

Law 14 – The Penalty Kick

Conform to FIFA with the exceptions that the penalty mark is marked at nine (9) meters from the goal line. All players except the player taking the kick must be nine (9) metres from the ball.

Law 15 – The Throw-In

Conform to FIFA.

Law 16 – The Goal Kick

Conform to FIFA except that it shall be taken from anywhere within the penalty area. Opponents must remain at least nine (9) metres away from the ball until it is in play.

Law 17 – The Corner Kick

Conform to FIFA with the exception that opponents remain at least nine (9) metres away from the ball until it is in play.

REFEREES

It is the responsibility of every referee and AR to know and properly apply the rules that pertain to the specific game assignment they have accepted – FIFA *Laws of the Game*, 4-District League games and Final rules, Coastal Cup, Provincial Cup, etc.

Each Club or district must provide a qualified uniformed referee for each home game, U-11 through U-18, and whose job it is prior to the start of the game, to check and sign the team lists and check BCSA photo ID's, players' shin guards and cleats. Also must check nets for holes. The referee may delegate any portion of this requirement to the AR.

Assistant Referees (AR)

For all U-16 to U-18 league and cup games, the home team, Club or District must provide two uniformed assistant referees with Entry Level qualifications or higher.

Clubs or districts that do not provide referees or assistant referees will be subject to reprimand and / or fines.

Note: For the 2016 / 2017 season, Assistant Referees must also be provided for U-15 League Cup games as well, on a trial basis as a "best effort, provide AR's for U-15 league games

Referee Behaviour

Referees and Assistants should avoid familiarity with team officials, players and spectators.

Should coaches or managers have a complaint regarding the conduct of a referee, the complaint should be directed in writing to their District Referee-in-Chief who will forward it to the opposing district's Referee-in-Chief if it involves the opposing district's referee. The name of the referee is not a requirement as the RIC will obtain that information during the investigation.

Note: Referees are not to advise or give opinions to team officials or spectators pertaining to League decisions.

A Gentle Reminder...

The 4-District Discipline Committee will take disciplinary action against the offending team official should the referee report excessive disputing of calls or referee harassment.

The referee is in charge of the game. This authority is total and should not be challenged. The referee is under no obligation to explain his / her actions. The referee may report after-game misconduct, see Discipline on Page 18.

See Bad Weather Directions on Page 11.

A Not So Gentle Reminder...

BC Soccer and discipline committees take a very dim view of individuals who feel they have the right to physically threaten or harass game officials. If anyone strikes or threatens to strike an official, the penalties are severe.

What Should I do if ...?

Team officials must take all precautions necessary to prevent their players, team officials or spectators from persistently criticising the game officials calls; threatening or assaulting (or attempting to) anyone present at a game including the referee or assistants, before, during or after the conclusion of the match.

Team officials - If a referee asks you to control your sideline or tells you that you must leave the playing area - do so immediately!

If an individual is ejected from the game or is requested to leave, s/he must leave the immediate area. The person will still be considered in the playing area or park if the individual continues to direct misconduct towards the playing area from outside the parks limits.

They are not to take part in the post-game handshake.

BCSA Photo ID

From October 1st onwards, prior to the start of the game the front and back of all BCSA photo ID cards will be checked by the referee. The referee will then check off the "tick" box on the team list. The BCSA photo ID cards will be retained until the game is over, and only the cards of players that have not been ejected will be returned.

See Page 8 for other details pertaining to lack of BCSA photo ID – **no photo ID, no play policy.**

Intra-Club Permits

The referee must check to make sure that the permit is accompanied by a photo ID and that it is validated for the proper game date.

Fair Play Handshake

FIFA's Fair Play Handshake policy directs teams to have a pre-game handshake as well as post-game handshake. The pre-game handshake will be organized by the team's officials or team captains.

See Page 3 of the Guide.

The referee must remain to witness the postgame handshake and report any misconduct.

Club Linesperson U-11 to U-14 (Parent / Fan)

While it is mandatory that linespersons be provided for each U-11 to U-14 game, referees have the right to either not use or dismiss them at his / her discretion.

If you are a "club linesperson", your only job is to call the whole ball "out". At no time shall "club linespersons" call or indicate offside.

Coaches are discouraged from acting as a linesperson as it impedes their ability to properly guide their team during the game.

Individuals must refrain from coaching while carrying out the linesperson duties.

A Player Who is Bleeding

A player bleeding from a wound must leave the field of play. He may not return until the ref is satisfied that the bleeding has stopped. A player cannot wear clothing with blood on it.

See Rules of Play – Page 10.

Referees must familiarize themselves regarding rules pertaining to Headwear & Jewellery, Casts. Concussions, eye glasses and Insulin Pumps.

Red & Yellow Cards

All red and yellow cards including League, Cup and In-District Provincial Cup must be reported on the BCSA Discipline Website at www.bcsoccer.net by the end of each weekend. Double-check the spelling of the individual's name and team information including the level of play (e.g. G1, S3, or B2) before submitting.

Referees must **not** indicate what penalty they think should be levied. They will make a separate report for each player, team official or spectator. The BCSA photo ID must be taken to the Home District's Discipline Representative within 24 hours of the incident. See Page 4 for a list of Discipline Representatives.

IMPORTANT: Referees must submit a report if a serious injury occurred in the match.

Abandoned Games

Only a referee can abandon a game.

Cup Games

If you are asked to referee a Coastal, Provincial Cup or League Cup game, please familiarize yourself with the Cup Play format.

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LEAGUE CUP PLAY

The Scheduling Committee will conduct cup draws for each individual league grouping from U-13 to U-18.

- Gold = Pioneer Cup
- Silver = Commonwealth Cup
- Bronze = Burrard Cup

Dates will be set aside and marked clearly on the schedule for all rounds after Round 1. For third and subsequent rounds of cup play, no wholesale league game cancellations will be made. Only teams still in cup play and their opponents for that league game will have their league games cancelled in lieu of cup play. These games will not be rescheduled.

Failure to fulfill your League Cup Finals commitment may result in a game forfeit and a \$200.00 fine to your District.

Dates of cup rounds may be advanced to minimize the impact on league play.

A single game cannot be considered as both a Cup and League game.

The Divisional Liaison will inform teams about cup game fields and times.

All procedures related to AR's, field preparation, team lists, player substitution and length of game are the same as for regular league play.

Extra Time Ties are broken with extra time play (2 x 15 min. for U-17 and U-18 and 2 x 10 min. for U-13 to U-16).

Extra time begins after a 5-minute break, the coin toss is called by the home team, and the winner will have a choice of which end they attack. At the end of the first extra time period, the teams change ends, but there is no break.

If a winner has not been determined by the end of extra time, then kicks from the penalty mark will be taken to determine the winner of the match.

Kicks from the Penalty Mark

Only the eligible players and match officials are permitted to remain on the field of play when kicks from the penalty mark are being taken.

The home team will call the coin toss for the start of the penalty kicks. Whoever wins the toss decides whether to take the first or second kick.

After the coin toss, the teams will alternate until all of their first five (5) "shooters" have had their shot. All such shooters must have been on the field at the end of the extra time period. Players that were not on the field

cannot participate in any kicks from the penalty mark.

If there is no winner, the referee will proceed with a sixth shooter from each team (no second shot until all players on the field have had a shot).

From the sixth shot onwards, which will be sudden death, the shots will be taken in pairs – one from each team. If both players fail to score, or both players score, pairs will carry on until each pair has taken a shot and one of the pair has missed and the other scores.

Please note that failure to play extra time and the kick from the penalty mark format is cause for a protest.

Called League Cup Games (Abandoned due to Field & Weather Conditions)

League Cup games that are called due to deteriorating field and weather conditions or because of limited time constraints on turf fields, for example lights, will be considered incomplete.

The Cup game will be rescheduled to restart from the minute that the game was called whether it was in regulation, extra time or during the penalty shots and will be restarted with the same line-up of players both on and off the field and where possible the same game officials will be present.

In order not to cancel more league games to replay Cup games cancelled for any reason, the cancelled Cup games will be rescheduled on an off-league game day. Teams with league games scheduled for a Saturday will play their cancelled Cup game on a Sunday and vice versa. Teams with a league game scheduled for a Friday night will play their cancelled Cup game on the Sunday.

Cup Finals

Specific times and locations will be arranged well before the event and communicated to you by your Club or Divisional Liaison and posted on www.4districtsoccer.com.

All games must be played as scheduled on the weekend set aside and noted on Page 1 of the 4-District Guide.

Note: unlike the league cup games leading up to the finals there is no extra time on the day of the 4-D finals although in the case of a tie the teams will go directly into kicks from the penalty mark.

Game Day Information

See next page for information specific to 4-D Finals Game Day.

Discipline

Players or team officials ejected or reported for misconduct from a League Cup Finals game must immediately leave the field area and not be involved in the handshake line or awards ceremony. They are also required to attend a discipline hearing usually scheduled for the Wednesday following the incident.

Provincial & BCSA Cup Play

There are two levels of play for provincial competition. The Provincial Cup leads into National Championships and is open to all teams that wish to play. MSL (Metro / Select) league teams must enter the Provincial Cup and cannot enter BCSA Cup play.

Each of the 4 districts will have a winner advancing in each age group to the Round of 16 in the Coastal B Cup play-downs.

B-Cup Wild cards & tiebreaking methodology:

In the age groups where 4-District has a wild card spot in the B-Cup draw (1 each at U-13, U-15, U-17 and 2 each in U-14, U-16 and U-18), those spots will be given to the teams that had the highest standing in the league (descending from Gold 1 through: G1, G2, G3, S1, S2, etc.), no matter with which District they are registered or when they were eliminated from their District B Cup play-downs.

Using the method on Page 6 to determine standings, in the event of a tie, there will be a tie-breaking game scheduled.

The 4-District board will meet in January and will determine the home team by a coin toss or some-such method.

In-District Provincial Cup Discipline

While playing "in-district", Provincial Cup red and yellow cards will be dealt with by the 4-District Discipline Committee.

4-DISTRICT CUP FINALS

Specific times and locations will be arranged well before the event and communicated to you by your Club or Divisional Liaison and posted on www.4districtsoccer.com.

All games must be played as scheduled on the weekend set aside and noted in the Calendar of Events on Page 1 of the 4-District Guide.

Game Day Information

Only the 4-District Working Committee members are allowed in the tower or on the stairs leading to the tower.

Teams must arrive at least 30 minutes before scheduled game time.

Team lists and BCSA Photo ID cards **must be** produced, for every registered player and team official, well before the start of the game. This verifies eligibility. Unregistered, improperly registered and / or suspended players or team officials will not be allowed to play or participate. They must not be in the fenced area.

Practice and warm-up will not be allowed on the field. Keep the area behind the goals clear of any equipment.

Only players registered with the team and their team officials (to a maximum of three) as listed on their affiliation form, will be allowed inside the fenced area.

Teams are encouraged to bring ice packs in the event of an injury.

A list of games will be posted at the concession stand and at the tower.

Both team's players and officials will stand on the same side of the field while their spectators will stand outside the fenced area.

There must not be any spectators on the west side of field #2 as this is an Emergency Vehicle lane only.

Only water is allowed in the game area. Food and alcoholic beverages of any sort, for any purposes, are not permitted.

The game ball is provided by the home team.

If there is a colour clash, the "home" team (as listed on the left hand side of the draw sheet) must change uniforms to the satisfaction of the game officials.

At half time, there will be a 5-minute break.

Note: Unlike the league cup games leading up to the finals there will be **no extra time in Cup finals**. Games tied at the end of regulation time will be decided by penalty kicks.

Kicks from the Penalty Mark

Only the eligible players and match officials are permitted to remain on the field of play when kicks from the penalty mark are being taken.

The home team will call the coin toss for the start of the penalty kicks. Whoever wins the toss decides whether to take the first or second kick.

As per FIFA Laws of the Game after the coin toss, the teams will alternate until all of their first five (5) "shooters" have had their shot. All such shooters must have been on the field at the end of the regulation time period. Players that were not on the field cannot participate in any kicks from the penalty mark.

If there is no winner, the referee will proceed with a sixth shooter from each team (no second shot until all players on the field have had a shot).

From the sixth shot onwards, which will be sudden death, the shots will be taken in pairs – one from each team. If both players fail to score, or both players score, pairs will carry on until each pair has taken a shot and one of the pair has missed and the other scores.

Presentation of Awards

Immediately after the game, both teams must quickly gather their equipment and go directly to the awards presentation area situated underneath the tower between #1 and #3 fields.

Winners and runners-up will receive pennants and a team plaque.

The cup winner trophy will be presented.

Teams should then move to the West of the presentation area as other teams may be in line for their presentation.

The cup winner team may take pictures with the trophy but it has to be promptly returned to the awards area. When picking up the trophy please do so by the base, not by the bars that hold the sections together.

Discipline

Players or team officials ejected or reported for misconduct from a League Cup Finals game must immediately leave the field area and not be involved in the handshake line or awards ceremony. All players and team officials who have been ejected are required to attend a discipline hearing scheduled for the Wednesday following the incident.

League Winner & Co-Winner Medals

Medals will be forwarded by the League to the team's district for presentation at either their district or club AGM. U-13 to U-16 teams will be allocated 18 medals while U-17 and U-18 will be allocated 20 medals.

PROTESTS & APPEALS

Submitting a Protest

See the Protest Form on www.4districtsoccer.com or your district website.

If you have knowledge of the basis for a protest before the game, you must advise the referee that you are going to play the game under protest. Many protests are denied because of a failure to notify the referee prior to the game.

Team officials may protest any scheduled game. All protests must be submitted in writing to the 4-District Protest Committee.

Before you send a protest consider whether it might be a complaint instead. Complaints may go directly to the 4-District Secretary or, if a discipline issue, to the 4-District Discipline Committee.

See Communications on Page 4 for Protest / Appeals Committee information.

Protests must include:

- Date and time of game
- Teams involved
- Division
- Field and location
- Type of game
- Contact name, email address and phone number.

All protests must be signed by the registered team official and submitted within 48 hours of the date of the match to which it relates.

The "Grounds" for Protest

A protest will only be considered on the grounds of:

1. Misinterpretation of the FIFA Laws of the Game
2. On the eligibility of players, or
3. On breaches of Competition Rules and Regulations.

You must state which of these grounds is the basis for the protest.

You cannot protest a game based on the referee's judgment of the 'facts' of the game (e.g. was a player offside? Did a player handle the ball?).

Any protest related to the field, posts or game equipment would be denied unless it is brought to the referee's attention before the game and the referee feels that the problem seriously affected the outcome of the game.

All protests must be forwarded to the Protest Committee Chair (see Communications Page 4 for particulars).

Upon filing a protest, a cheque for \$250 payable to the "Four District Soccer League" must be received by the 4-District Treasurer at 788 E. 30th Avenue, Vancouver, BC V5V 2V9.

Any protest emailed to the league shall be considered "signed." However, the protest will not be considered until the protest fee is received by the 4-District Treasurer. Please note the 48 hour deadline.

Upon a successful protest, based on known breaches of FIFA Laws, BCSA Policies or Procedures or those of the League, there may be a replay, default may be awarded or the results may stand.

If the protest is upheld, the fee will be returned. If the protest is denied, the fee will be retained by the League.

See Bad Weather Directions on Page 11.

If a Protest is Considered...

The Protest Committee will forward a copy of the protest to the opposing team (within 48 hours of receiving the protest), and request their written response. The referee will also be requested to supply a written report to the committee.

After reviewing these documents, the Protest Committee's decision will be conveyed in writing to both teams.

Cup Protests Other Than 4-District and Provincial Cup

Any protest for in-house cup including In-District BCSA, Coastal and Provincial Cup, North Shore Community Cup and Richmond Cup must be directed to your District.

Provincial Cup Game Protests

All protests regarding Inter-District Provincial Cup games at both the Provincial "A" and BCSA "B" levels must be submitted directly to the BCSA Protest Committee in accordance with their procedures. In no case will any other body make decisions.

Appeals of Scheduling Decisions

Decisions of the Scheduling Committee can be appealed to the 4-District League Board.

Such an appeal will **only** be accepted if it is based on the decision contravening a league or BCSA rule or regulation.

You cannot appeal a decision, which the rules say the Committee is entitled to make but you do not like (e.g. you want to be in a different division).

Such an appeal must be forwarded to the League Secretary, accompanied by a cheque for \$250 made payable to the Four

District Soccer League, within 48 hours of the issuance of the decision.

Appeals of Decisions made by the Board or its Committees

All appeals of the 4-District League Board, Protest Committee, Abandoned Games Committee or Discipline Committee rulings must be made to the BCSA Appeals Committee, either by mail, fax or email within 10 working days of the rendering of the decision.

The format of the appeal is the same as a protest, except that you are appealing the decision itself and must include a copy of the decision being appealed.

Upon request the Protest Committee will forward all information they used in their decision making directly to the BCSA.

A cheque payable to the "BC Soccer Association" for the \$500 appeal fee, must accompany the appeal.

Please note that the decision of the committee shall remain in effect pending the result of the appeal.

Further appeal is possible – ask the BCSA to provide details if you wish to appeal their decision.

4-District Youth Soccer League

DISCIPLINE

General

It is the responsibility of team officials to inform their players that they can be expelled for the following:

- Persisting in misconduct (two yellow card offenses in the same game)
- Denying a goal scoring opportunity
- Offensive, insulting, abusive language and / or gestures
- Failure to act in a responsible manner
- Serious foul play
- Violent conduct
- Spitting at an opponent or any other person

IMPORTANT: If a player is sent off or team official is ejected from a game they **MUST NOT** participate in the post-game handshake.

Out of professional courtesy referees generally don't show the red card to team officials.

Referees can submit misconduct reports for players, team officials and spectators even after a game is finished.

All players, coaches and managers taking part in the League are subject to the BCSA Discipline Guidelines and the decisions of the 4-District Discipline Committee. This committee, with a representative from each district, generally holds discipline meetings at 7:00 p.m. every Wednesday evening at:

Willingdon Centre
1491 Carleton Avenue, Burnaby, BC

Team officials must be prepared to attend, with their player/s, the Wednesday immediately following the ejection.

A player's parent may attend but must be made aware, in advance, that s/he is present as an observer only. At the time of the hearing the team official is the spokesperson for the player.

The League, or one of its committees, may investigate complaints from team officials, abandoned games; teams with excessive cards, excessive no-shows or forfeitures, misconduct of teams, officials, spectators, or violation of field closures. The Discipline, Protests / Appeals or Abandoned Game Committees may request the posting of a Performance Bond and/or fine in keeping with the Fine and Performance Bond Schedule.

When lengthy suspensions are levied the committee will consider the seriousness of the offense, the time of year: mid-season break and end of season.

From time-to-time, the Discipline Committee may ask a team official and/or spectator to attend a "discussion" meeting to investigate a discipline matter brought to their attention that did not result in an ejection or referee's misconduct report. Failure to Appear rules apply in this case should the team official decline to attend without good cause.

Complaints: The committee will not deal with issues/complaints that cannot be corroborated by the game official.

Occasionally team officials have concerns regarding misconduct of opposing players, team officials, or fans from a prior game. The attendance of committee members as observers at games may be requested in writing. This request must be received by the 4-District Discipline Chair at least seven days prior to the next scheduled game, giving the committee just cause for the request to attend.

"Exhibition" or "Friendly" Games

While the League does not schedule "exhibition" or "friendly" games red and yellow cards received in "exhibition" or "friendly" games will be reported by the referee and will be subject to normal discipline procedures.

The Discipline Hearing

Once the referee's report has been received and the committee has set a discipline hearing date, the team's District Discipline Committee member will contact the team official. It is the team official's responsibility to contact the player.

If you haven't been contacted by the Monday evening following the send-off or ejection, please call your District Discipline Representative.

All red cards and ejections require attendance at a discipline hearing. Failure to attend when called may result in an Indefinite Suspension from all soccer related activities

The exception to this is any card given for Persisting in Misconduct (2 cautions in a game) and Denying a Goal Scoring Opportunity, will result in a one game suspension only and doesn't require attendance at a hearing, unless there are extenuating circumstances in which case the team official will be contacted to attend with the player.

The Discipline Committee will decide at the hearing what additional penalty, if any, will be imposed on the person who was ejected or reported for misconduct. The Committee can issue additional suspensions within the guidelines established by the Canadian Soccer Association and BCSA.

See Right to Appeal on Page 20.

Failure to Appear

Any team official or player failing to appear at a scheduled discipline hearing or on a date specified by a District Association shall be suspended until the case has been dealt with by the Discipline Committee.

A Notice of Indefinite Suspension requires that the individual be notified of such action and is Indefinitely Suspended from all youth soccer activities including refereeing until he attends a hearing.

Should an individual continue to participate in youth soccer activities after being placed on Indefinite Suspension, they shall be required to appear before a Provincial Board Discipline Hearing.

The Automatic One Game

As per FIFA, all red cards carry an automatic one game suspension. This game is served automatically by sitting out the very next league or cup game (whichever comes first) after the game in which the red card was received.

Additional games may be levied by the 4-District Committee depending on the infraction.

Yellow Card Cautions

Multiple yellow cards have the same automatic one game provision. Anyone with three yellow cards in one season (not to be confused with two yellow cards in one game) must sit out the team's very next game. The team official must wait for contact from their District Discipline Representative confirming that it is, in fact, the player's third reported caution of the season. Do not sit out the player until you have been contacted. While you may contact your rep through the season to inquire as to how many cautions a player has, it is up to the team official to keep track.

The player does not have to attend a discipline hearing for receiving three yellow cards in a season. Once you have been contacted confirming that he must sit out the team's very next game, remove his BCSA photo ID from the team pack and draw a line through his name on the team list.

Please note that on receipt of a fifth caution in a season that the player may be requested to attend a hearing.

Serving Your Discipline

A game must be played to its conclusion for the purposes of serving a suspension. Games cancelled because of bye, abandonment, weather conditions, a stoppage in schedule or by forfeiture, or for any other reason do not count as a game suspension completed.

Draw a line through the names of suspended players' or team officials' on the team list. Suspensions must be served by "sitting out" already scheduled league or cup games.

Suspensions cannot be sat out in exhibition or tournament games.

A suspended player may attend games but may not be in uniform or be involved in any way and must not fraternize with other team players, team officials or fans.

Suspended players and team officials must stay back a minimum of 50 feet (15 meters) back from the sideline; in other words, away from the area immediately surrounding the field of play.

Suspended team officials must arrange for someone else to fill their position, and inform their discipline representative of that person's name and phone number.

Suspended team officials must not coach verbally, by hand signals or any other means (including electronic / cellular devices) and must not fraternize with the players, coaching staff or fans to avoid being suspected of coaching while under suspension. The team players must be told not to approach the suspended player or team official before, during or after the game.

Also, such suspended players and team officials must not be involved in the team pre- or post- "handshakes".

Players or team officials will not participate in any BCSA sanctioned soccer function while under suspension. This includes acting as a game official, handling equipment, field setup, coaching or assigning substitutions. Players can, however, attend practices.

Suspended players or team officials who play, coach or referee while under suspension or, if attending as a spectator, behaves in a manner that brings the game into disrepute shall be subject to further disciplinary action.

It is the responsibility of the team official or player to arrange with his District Discipline Representative to pick up his **BCSA photo ID** card after the suspension is completed.

Informing Other Teams

When a discipline matter, such as the suspension of a player or team official, has been ruled on by the Discipline Committee the team's Discipline Representative will inform the opposition simply that "X" is not entitled to play / coach in their game vs. the opposition on a specific date.

Suspensions Carrying Over

Suspensions may carry over into sanctioned activities including tournaments and exhibition matches but do not constitute games sat out with regards to their suspension. The committee may allow a player to play in a tournament depending on the seriousness of the suspension.

Notes:

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Players and team officials who do not complete their suspensions in one season will sit out the balance in the following season. They must be officially registered for the upcoming season for the suspension to count. U-18 players graduating to adult play, who have suspensions carrying over, will serve them in the first games of adult play.

4-District Youth Soccer League

FINES & PERFORMANCE BONDS

After thorough investigation, the Board or the Discipline, Protests or Appeals Committee, on behalf of the Soccer League, may levy a fine or a Performance Bond for a specific period of time and purpose, and, may set further terms of punishment for non-compliance.

Any offense listed on the schedule shall be reported to and ruled upon by one body.

A bond is to guarantee good behaviour of the team (officials, players, and fans) including league and cup games. This generally means that an individual or team has behaved in a manner considered to be unbecoming a member, therefore, that person or team must behave in a manner that does not bring the game into disrepute by following the 4-District Guide's Code of Ethics. See Page 3.

A fine or bond may be levied up to and including the amount set out in the attached schedule except in the case of extreme discipline circumstances when more severe fines and / or bonds, up to \$5,000, and other discipline may be imposed.

Fine and bond payment will be the responsibility of the district or club with which the team is affiliated.

The request to post the bond will be sent to the Club and team's officials and copied to the District.

In the case where a team official or spectator has been reported for misconduct, a fine and / or a bond may be levied with or without assessing a suspension.

The 4-District Treasurer will deposit all bond cheques and the league is not required to pay interest on any bond levied.

Procedure

The Board, the Discipline Committee, the Protest Committee, or the Abandoned Games Committee will act only on written misconduct reports, match game reports or formal complaints.

The assessment and payment of fines for violation of the FIFA Laws of the Game or league operating rules shall be in accordance with the rules and regulations of the governing authority.

Persons reported for offenses listed on the schedule will be given the opportunity to respond in writing to the League, the Discipline, Protest or Appeals Committee before a decision is made. In some instances, an appearance at a discipline hearing will be required.

If a hearing is necessary, the club and team officials will be duly informed and a hearing shall be conducted in accordance with the BCSA's hearing procedures.

Should a fine be assessed, the decision will be communicated in writing to the club, team and district association.

The League Secretary will be informed that a fine and / or Performance Bond has been assessed.

Fines and Performance Bonds become due immediately. The League Treasurer must receive payment within 10 days of the hearing or notification of said fine or Performance Bond.

Failure by the team officials or their club to pay will result in the team being suspended from the district and league sanctioned soccer activities until the assessed amounts are paid.

If the performance bond or fine imposed continues to remain unpaid then the League will have the option to withdraw services from the team and club until the assessed amount is paid.

The performance bond money will be returned once the team's commitment to all league and cup games, including Provincial Cup, has been completed unless there are extenuating circumstances that is cause for the bond to go beyond the end of the season for example seriousness of the offense, persistent misconduct, time of season, and mid-season break.

Rights of Appeal of Fines & Bonds

As per BCSA Rule 13, appeals must be filed with the Executive Director, BCSA, #250, 3410 Lougheed Hwy Vancouver, BC V5M 2A4 within 10 working days after the issuance of the committee's decision.

Appeals must state in writing the grounds upon which the appeal is lodged.

A concise submission stating the by-law, rule or regulation that has been contravened and setting out clearly in what respect the decision is alleged to be wrong.

The affiliated coach, manager or official must sign the appeal.

The fee of \$500.00 (made payable to BCSA) must accompany the appeal filed with the BCSA.

The Fine, Performance Bond fees and/or levied suspensions will remain in effect pending the result of the appeal.

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4-District Youth Soccer League

IMPORTANT	<p>A fine or bond may be levied up to and including the amount set out in the attached schedule except in the case of extreme discipline circumstances when more severe fines and / or bonds, up to \$5,000, and other discipline may be imposed including reversal of game points. Failure by the team officials or their club to pay will result in the team being suspended from the district and league sanctioned activities until the assessment amounts are paid.</p>
<p>Offense</p> <p>Penalties</p>	<p>Teams folding after affiliation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Districts that fold teams between July 15th and the first game of the season will be fined \$200 per team. • Districts that fold teams, without just cause, after the schedule is published will be fined \$300 per team.
<p>Offense</p> <p>Penalties</p>	<p>Failure to provide a qualified referee.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st offense: \$100 fine.
<p>Offense</p> <p>Penalties</p>	<p>Failure to provide two assistant referees.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Each offense \$50 fine for each assistant not provided.
<p>Offense</p> <p>Penalties</p>	<p>Forfeitures of game.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fine and possible Performance Bond. • \$500 fine plus game costs as incurred by the home district, a possible \$200 Performance Bond and a possible withdrawal of services to team. This includes costs incurred by teams who have to travel to or from areas such as Bowen Island, Gibsons, Sechelt., Squamish or Sunshine Coast.
<p>Offense</p> <p>Penalties</p>	<p>Team official(s) who choose to withdraw their team from the field after the start of the game and before the match is completed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Performance Bond and / or Fine. • 1st offense in a season: \$100 fine. • 2nd offense in a season: \$100 fine plus \$200 Performance Bond. • 3rd offense in a season: Withdrawal of services.
<p>Offense</p> <p>Penalties</p>	<p>Team found to be cause of abandonment of a game. Games will be recorded 1-0 in favor of the non-offending team or when both teams are found to be equally at fault will be recorded as a double-forfeit.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Performance Bond and Fine. • 1st offense in a 12-month period: \$200 fine plus \$500 Performance Bond. • 2nd offense in a 12-month period: Loss of Performance Bond plus an additional \$1,000 bond with possible withdrawal of services.
<p>Offense</p> <p>Penalties</p>	<p>Team failing to inform Divisional Liaison of a “no show”.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fine and possible Performance Bond. • \$100 fine plus game costs as incurred by the home district. • Possible \$200 Performance Bond.
<p>Offense</p> <p>Penalties</p>	<p>Team failing without just cause to play opposition team when both teams and game official(s) are present.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fine and possible Performance Bond. • \$250 fine plus game costs if incurred by the home district. This includes costs incurred by teams who have to travel to or from areas such as Bowen Island, Gibsons, Sechelt, Squamish, or the Sunshine Coast. • Possible \$200 Performance Bond. • Possible withdrawal of services to team.
<p>Offense</p> <p>Penalties</p>	<p>Lack of control by team official(s), spectators or players. If a team official is requested by the game official regarding lack of control (including failure to address game official harassment, persistent criticism or disputing calls by team officials, players or spectators).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Performance Bond and / or Fine. • 1st offense: \$200 fine and \$500 Performance Bond. • 2nd offense: \$400 fine, loss of original Performance Bond and an additional \$1,000 Performance Bond. • 2nd offense will be reported to the BCSA Discipline Committee.

4-District Youth Soccer League

Offense	In the case of a spectator who is associated with the team, and where the game official(s) have not had time to request that the team officials control their fan, and that fan is reported for misconduct and is proved at a discipline hearing to have committed said misconduct, the Club may be subject to the following penalties.
Penalties	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Performance Bond and / or Fine. • 1st offense: \$100 fine and / or \$200 Performance Bond. • 2nd offense: Loss of the original Performance Bond and post an additional \$400 Performance Bond plus up to a \$200 fine. • 3rd offense: Loss of Performance Bond and withdrawal of services.
Offense	If requested by the game official – failure to identify spectator(s) responsible for misconduct towards a game official.
Penalties	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Performance Bond and / or Fine. • 1st offense: \$200 fine. • 2nd offense: \$400 fine plus a \$500 Performance Bond. • 3rd offense: Loss of Performance Bond and withdrawal of services.
Offense	Team having excessive red cards / ejections in a season
Penalties	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Performance Bond • 3rd red card: Warning of \$200 Performance Bond and / or \$100 fine. • 4th red card: Post \$200 Performance Bond and/or \$100 fine. Additional red cards – Loss of Performance Bond, additional \$200 bond and / or \$100 fine and possible withdrawal of services.
Offense	Any team official who knowingly plays a suspended or unregistered player or contravenes the Intra-Club Permit rule by attempting to play a player without the validated Intra-Club Permit and player's BCSA photo ID.
Penalties	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suspension and Performance Bond. • 1st offense: 6-month suspension plus \$200.00 to \$500.00 Performance Bond. • 2nd offense: Referred to the BCSA Discipline Committee. Deduction of points for both 1st and 2nd offenses.
Offense	Player/team official, while under suspension and attending a game as a spectator, behaves in manner that brings the game into disrepute.
Penalties	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suspension and Performance Bond. • 1st offense: Further 6-month suspension in addition to original suspension. Placed on \$500 Performance Bond. • 2nd offense: Loss of Performance Bond and referred to the BCSA Discipline Committee.
Offense	Any team official who behaves in a manner considered by the Board to be unbecoming a member (see Code of Ethics).
Penalties	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Probation and possible fine and / or bond. • \$100.00 fine. • Possible \$200.00 Performance Bond. • Possible withdrawal of services to the team.

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4-District Youth Soccer League

PLAYING FIELDS

When phoning to obtain information regarding field closures, be aware that certain types of fields may be closed, while others may remain open.

Only team officials and players registered to the team are allowed inside the fenced area. Spectators must remain outside the fenced area. No dogs are allowed.

Teams are not to enter the fenced area while games are still in progress until the referee blows the final whistle.

Alcoholic beverages or any other prohibited substance are not allowed in the vicinity of the playing field.

Map Index

Fields are numbered by district:

- Burnaby fields with "B"
- New Westminster fields with "NW"
- North Shore fields with "NS"
- Richmond fields with "R"
- Vancouver fields with "V"

See pages 29 and 30 for the Maps.

Field types are identified by:

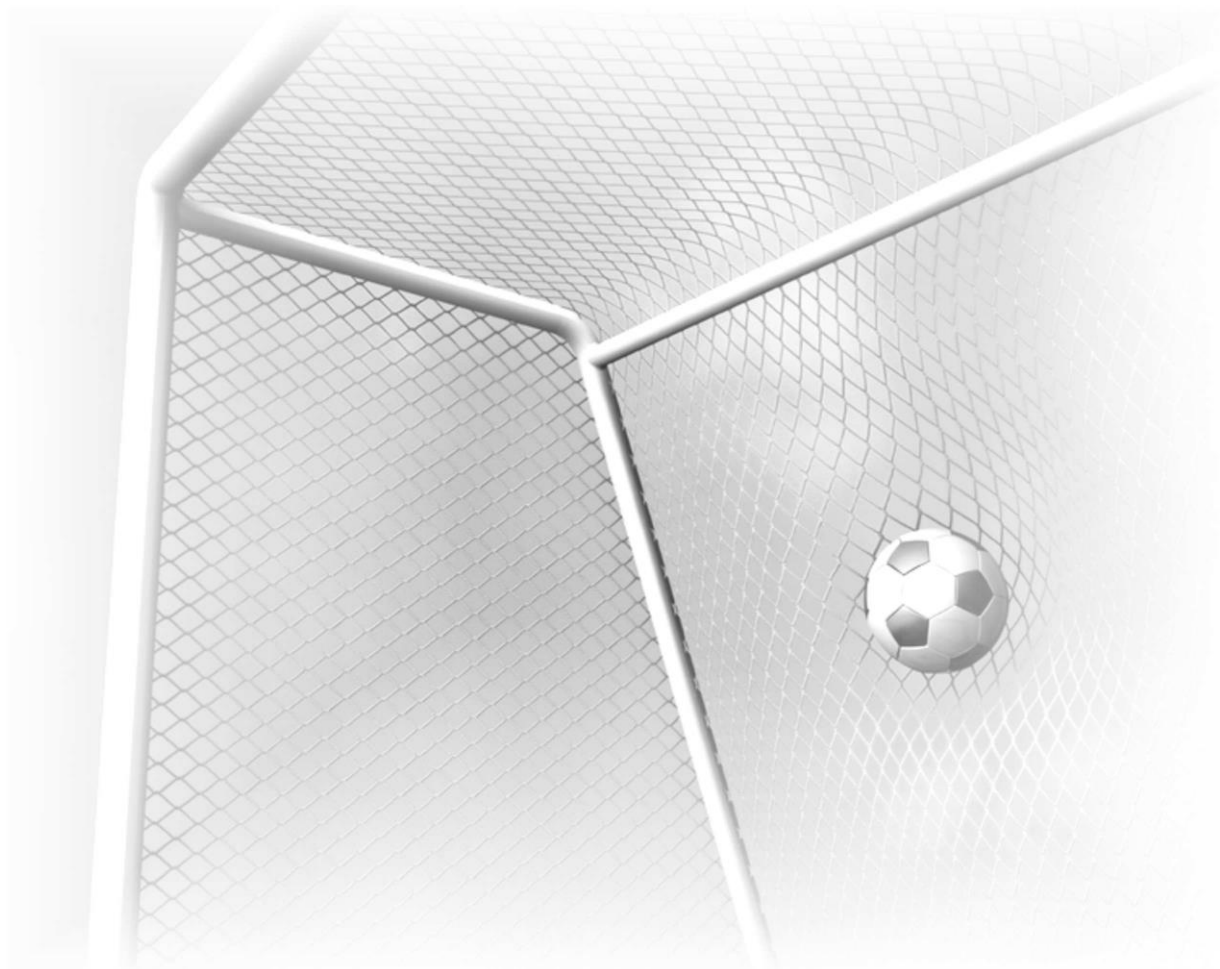
- (AW) = All Weather ~ Gravel
- (G) = Grass
- (AT) = Artificial Turf
- (T) = Turf

"AT" fields are Artificial Turf. This means no metal cleats, no food or drinks other than water. Footwear must be cleaned on mats or the boot scrapers provided outside the entry gates before the players enter the field. No screw-in stud footwear are allowed, including metal or plastic studs. This rule will be strictly enforced.

Lists for each district are arranged alphabetically and give map number, address and the type of fields.

Map locations are approximate – a street map should be used for accuracy.

Check out www.4districtsoccer.com for maps, under the Fields link.



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BURNABY SCHOOLS / PARKS (B)	TYPE	#	ADDRESS
Bonsor Park	(AW)	B8	Bonsor and Central Boulevard
Burnaby 2000	(AW)	B19	Underhill Avenue and Forest Grove
Burnaby Heights / Eton / Park	(G)	B1	Esmond and Eton Streets
Burnaby Lake West Complex, #1,2,3,4	(AT)	B16	Kensington Ave and Laurel Street
Burnaby North Secondary School	(AT)	B11a	751 Hammarskjold Drive
Byrne Creek Secondary School	(AT)	B23	18 th Street and 10 th Avenue
Cariboo Oval	(AT)	B20	Cariboo Hill Secondary School, Armstrong Ave, opposite Taylor Place
Cariboo Park	(AW)	B21	Cariboo Road and Armstrong Avenue
Cascade School	(AW)	B3	Smith and Fir Streets
Confederation Park	(G & AW)	B5	Willingdon Avenue and Pandora Street
Confederation Park (Upper)	(G)	B6	Gamma Avenue and Pandora Street
Edmonds School	(AW)	B18	Edmonds Street and Canada Way
Harwood Park	(G)	B10	Royal Oak Avenue and Hardwick Street
Kensington Park	(G)	B11b	Curtis Street and Kensington Avenue
Kensington Park	(AW)	B12	Curtis Street and Kensington Avenue
Rene Memorial Park	(AW)	B14	Balmoral Street and Sperling Avenue
Richmond Park	(G)	B17	Elwell Street and Humphries Avenue
Riverway Sports Complex	(G)	B9	South Foot of Nelson Street
Royal Oak School	(G)	B7	Kingsway and Nelson Street
Wesburn Park	(G & AW)	B4	Moscrop Street and Patterson Avenue
Westridge School	(AW)	B15	Hastings Street and Duncan Avenue
Willingdon Heights Park	(G & AW)	B2	Williams and Carleton Avenue

BURNABY DISTRICT NEW WESTMINSTER FIELDS (NW)	TYPE	#	ADDRESS
Anne Monk	(AW)	NW1	715 McBride Boulevard
Grimston Park	(G)	NW2	1826 Seventh Avenue
Hume Park	(G)	NW3	598 Fader Street
Mercer North	(G)	NW4	Sixth Street at Tenth Avenue
Mercer Oval	(AT)	NW5	Sixth Street at Tenth Avenue
Mercer South	(G)	NW6	Sixth Street at Tenth Avenue
Moody Park North	(G)	NW7	Eighth Avenue at Tenth Street
Moody Park South	(G)	NW8	Seventh Avenue at Tenth Street
Queen's Park East	(AT)	NW9	First Street at Third Avenue
Queen's Park South	(G)	NW10	First Street at Third Avenue
Queen's Park Stadium	(G)	NW11	First Street at Third Avenue
Queensborough Middle School	(G)	NW12	833 Salter Street
Queensborough Park	(G)	NW13	Derwent Way at Ewen Avenue
Ryall Park	(G)	NW14	840 Salter Street
Sapperton Park	(G)	NW15	346 Sherbrooke Street
Simcoe Park	(G)	NW16	701 Ontario St
Terry Hughes Park	(G)	NW17	Park Crescent at Eighth Avenue

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NORTH SHORE SCHOOLS / PARKS (NS)	TYPE	#	ADDRESS
Blueridge Park	(G)	NS38	Top of Berkley Avenue
Bowen Island School	(G)	NS49	Mount Gardner Road, Bowen Island
Carisbrooke School	(AW)	NS25	510 East Carisbrooke Road
Caulfeild Elementary	(AW)	NS2	4685 Keith Road (off Marine Drive)
Centennial Fields	(G & AW)	NS50	See Squamish Brennan below
Cleveland Park	(G)	NS13	Capilano Road / Nancy Greene Way and Prospect Avenue
Cleveland School	(AW)	NS18	East off Capilano Road on Mt. Crown
Confederation Park (N. Vcr)	(AT)	NS23	West 21 st St. & Jones Avenue (south of Carson Graham Secondary)
Cove Cliff School	(AW)	NS51	1818 Banbury, North Vancouver
Cypress Park	(G)	NS3	Marine Drive and Morgan Crescent (east of Keith Rd)
Delbrook Park	(G & AW)	NS21	Queens Road and Delbrook Avenue
Dorothy Lynas School	(AW)	NS41	Indian River Road
Eagle Harbour School	(G)	NS1	Marine Drive and Westport Road
Eldon Park	(G)	NS16	Off Eldon Road at Ruby Street
Hamilton School	(G)	NS19	Hamilton Avenue and West 21 st Street
Handsworth School	(G)	NS15	1044 Edgewood Road
Heywood Park (N & S)	(AW)	NS20	Hamilton Avenue and West 21 st Street
Inglewood	(AW)	NS7a	Inglewood Avenue and 17 th Street (behind YMCA)
Inter-river	(G)	NS34	North end of Premier Street
Irwin Park School	(AW)	NS4	2455 Haywood Avenue
Kilmer Park	(G & AW)	NS32	Dempsey Road
Kinsmen Stadium	(G)	NS24a	West 19 th Street and Jones Avenue
Kinsmen North	(AW)	NS24b	West 19 th Street and Jones Avenue
Kirkstone Park	(G & AW)	NS29	Kirkstone Road near Karen Magnesen Arena
Klahanie Park	(AW)	NS11	Just North of Marine Drive and West of Capilano Road
Lillooet Park	(G)	NS36	Lillooet Road and Purcell Way (Capilano College)
Loutet Park	(G)	NS30	East 15 th to 17 th Streets (east of Grand Boulevard)
Lynn Valley Park	(G & AW)	NS31	3300 Mountain Highway
Mahon (Fey Burdett Stadium)	(AW)	NS24	West 17 th and Jones Avenue
Maplewood School	(AW)	NS37	420 Seymour River Place
McCartney Creek	(G)	NS40	End of Northlands, North off Mount Seymour Parkway
Montroyal School	(AW)	NS14	5310 Sonora Drive
Myrtle Park	(G & AW)	NS43	Cliffmont Road and Dollarton Highway
Norgate School	(AW)	NS48	1295 Sowden (near Pemberton)
Norgate Park	(G)	NS12	Tatlow Avenue, off Marine Drive
Norseman Park	(G)	NS26	East 23 rd Street, East of Lonsdale Avenue
Parkgate Park	(G)	NS45	North off Mt. Seymour Parkway on Park Gate
Pauline Johnson School	(G)	NS6	1150 22 nd Street
Ridgeview School	(G & AW)	NS9	Mathers Avenue and 12 th Street
Roche Point Park	(G)	NS42	4000 Dollar Road
Rockridge High School	(G)	NS52	5350 Headland Drive
Ross Road School	(AW)	NS33	2875 Bushnell Place

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NORTH SHORE SCHOOLS / PARKS (NS)	TYPE	#	ADDRESS
Sentinel School	(G)	NS8	1250 Chartwell Drive
Seycove School	(G)	NS44	1204 Caledonia Avenue
Seylynn Park	(G)	NS35	Mountain Highway and Fern Street
Sunrise Park	(AW)	NS46	East 4 th Street and Kennard
Sowden Park	(G)	NS17	23 rd Street and Lloyd Avenue
Sutherland School	(AT)	NS27	1860 Sutherland Avenue
William Griffin	(AT)	NS47	851 Queens Road (behind recreation centre)
Windsor School	(AT)	NS39	931 Broadview Drive, off Mount Seymour Parkway
West Vancouver Secondary	(G)	NS7b	1750 Mathers Avenue (behind the school)

GIBSONS	TYPE	#	ADDRESS
Shirley Macy Park	(G)		Turn left on North Rd at stop sign 3.2 km from Langdale ferry terminal and then right on Chamberlain Rd. Park is on your left 0.7 km after the turn.
Elphinstone Secondary School	(AW)		Turn right on North Rd at stop sign 3.2 km from Langdale ferry terminal and proceed to Hwy 101. Turn right on Hwy 101 and proceed 0.5 km. The field is behind the school on the right.
Sechelt	(G)		Drive from Langdale ferry to Sechelt. Turn right on Xenichen Ave (McDonalds is on your left at the corner). Proceed past the hydro substation and then four houses and turn right.
Squamish – Brennan			Turn right off Hwy 99 at Centennial Way.

RICHMOND SCHOOLS / PARKS (R)	TYPE	#	ADDRESS
Blundell School Park	(G)	R1	6480 Blundell Rd
Burnett School Park	(G)	R22	5011 Granville Street
Brighthouse School Park	(G)	R2	6800 Azure Road
Dixon School Park	(G)	R3	9331 Diamond Road
Hugh Boyd Red – full	(AT)		
Hugh Boyd Blue – full	(AT)		
Hugh Boyd White – mini	(AT)		
Hugh Boyd Yellow – mini	(AT)	R5	9200 No. 1 Road
Hugh Boyd Oval – full	(G)		
Hugh Boyd South – full	(G)		
Kidd School Park	(G)	R6	10851 Shell Road
Kilgour School Park	(G)	R18	8580 Kilgour Place
King George Park	(G & AT)	R19	12360 Cambie Road
London School Park	(G)	R8	10331 Gilbert Road
McMath School Park	(G)	R23	4251 Garry Street
McNair School Park	(G)	R9	9460 No. 4 Road
Manoah Steves	(G)	R17	10111 4 th Avenue (#1 Road & Williams)
Minoru Oval	(AT)		
Minoru #2	(AT)	R10	7191 Granville Avenue
Minoru #3	(G)		
Mitchell School Park	(G)	R11	12091 Cambie Road

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RICHMOND SCHOOLS / PARKS (R)	TYPE	#	ADDRESS
Palmer School Park	(G)	R12	8120 St. Albans Road
Richmond High School	(AT)	R21	7171 Minoru Blvd.
Rideau School Park	(G)	R13	8560 Demorest Drive
South Arm Park	(G)	R14	8680 / 9220 Williams Road
Steveston High School Park	(G)	R15	10440 No. 2 Road
Talmey	(G)	R20	9500 Kilby Drive
Walter Lee School Park	(G)	R7	9491 Ash Street
Whiteside School Park	(G)	R16	9262 Williams Road

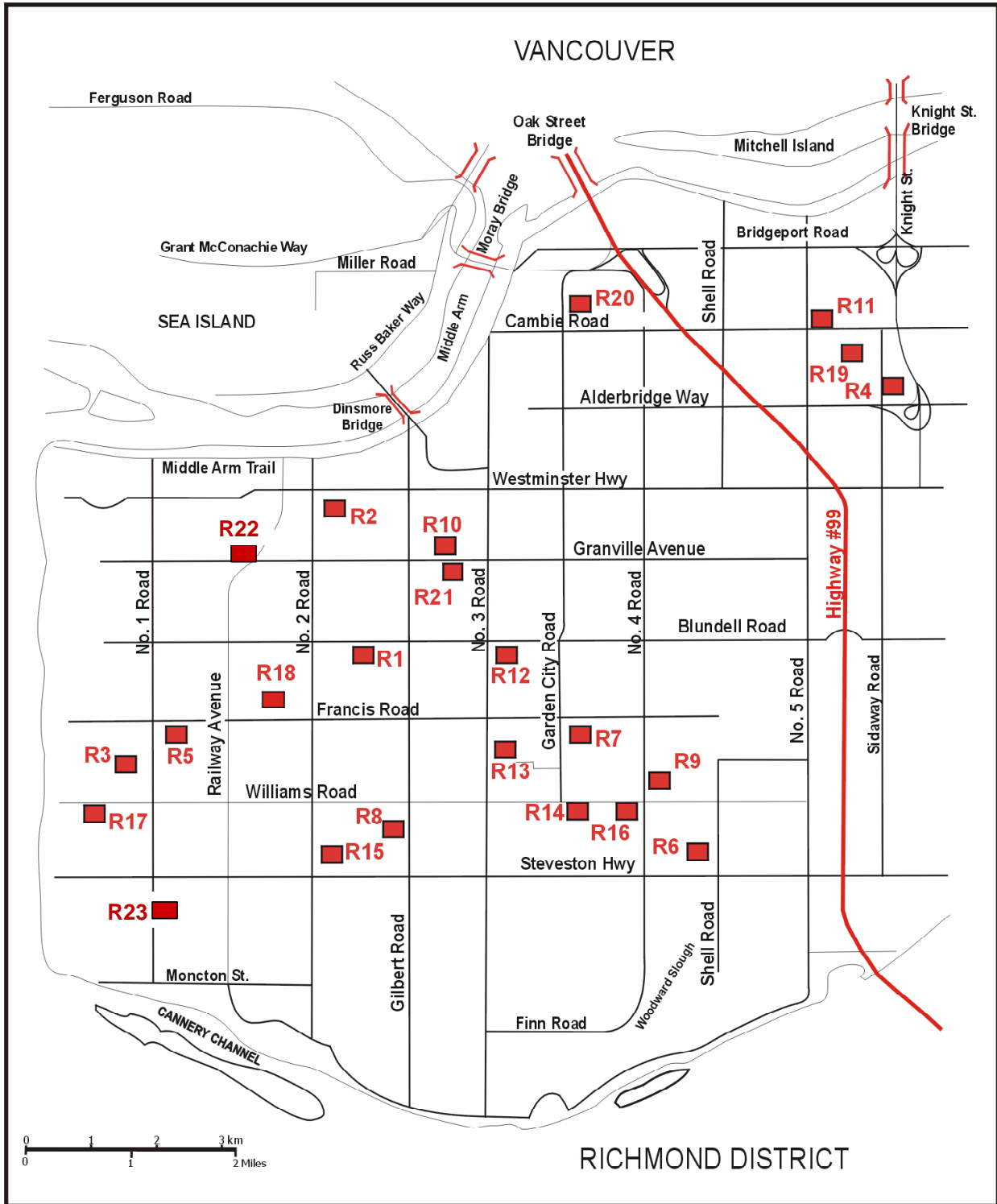
VANCOUVER SCHOOLS / PARKS (V)	TYPE	#	ADDRESS
Andy Livingston E & W	(AT)	V86	Pacific between Carroll and Quebec
Beaconsfield Park	(G & AW)	V42	East 15th Avenue and Penticton Street
Bobolink Park NW & SW	(G)	V47	East 60th Avenue and Nanaimo Street
Britannia School	(G & AW)	V26	1001 Cotton Drive
Carnarvon Park S.	(G)	V10	West 16th Avenue and Carnarvon Street
Carnarvon School	(AW)	V09	3400 Balaclava Street (west of Carnarvon Park)
Clinton Park N and S	(G)	V41	East 1st Avenue and Penticton Street
David Lloyd George School	(G)	V65	8370 Cartier Street
Douglas Park S.W. and N.E.	(G)	V22	West 20th Avenue and Heather Street
Douglas School	(AW)	V59	7550 Victoria Drive, between 57th and 59th Avenue
Earles Park	(G)	V66	East 41st Avenue and Earles
Empire N and S	(AT)	V57	East of the PNE on Hastings at Cassiar (Vancouver)
Gladstone School	(AW)	V40	4105 Gladstone Street
Hillcrest North	(G)	V27	East 29 th Avenue and Ontario Street
Hillcrest 8-aside	(AT)	V27	Midlothian and Dinmont Streets
Jericho Beach	(T)	V02a	4th Avenue to NW Marine Dr; right at Discovery St. (at hostel)
Kensington Park N. and S.	(G)	V35	East 33rd Avenue and Knight Street
Kerrisdale School Lower & Upper	(AW)	V11	West 41st Avenue and Carnarvon Street
Kingsford-Smith School	(AW)	V46	6901 Elliot Street
Locarno Park	(G & AW)	V02b	Across the street from Jericho Beach Park
Maquinna School	(G)	V76	2684 East 2nd Avenue
Memorial South	(T)	V88	East 43 rd Avenue & Prince Albert Street
Memorial West Park	(G)	V06	West 33 rd Avenue and Dunbar Street
Moberly Park N. and S.	(G)	V34a	East 59 th Avenue and Prince Albert Street
Moberly School	(AW)	V34b	1000 East 59 th Avenue
Musqueam Turf	(AT)	V90	4380 Musqueam Drive
Nanaimo Park	(G)	V77	Nanaimo and East 46 th Avenue
Nelson School	(G & AW)	V78	2235 Kitchener Street
Norquay School	(AW)	V43	4710 Slocan Street
Oak Park E., W. and A.W	(G & AW)	V25	Oak Street and West 59 th Avenue
Point Grey Turf	(AT)	V19	5350 East Boulevard
Shannon Park	(G)	V20	West 61 st Avenue and Adera Street

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VANCOUVER SCHOOLS / PARKS (V)	TYPE	#	ADDRESS
Southlands School	(AW)	V07	5350 Camosun Street at West 37 th Avenue
Strathcona Park	(AW)	V31	Campbell Avenue and Prior Street
Trillium	(T)	V89	Malkin Avenue & Thornton Street
UBC Warren	(AT)		W. side of Thunderbird Park
UBC Baseball	(AT)	V87	SW Corner of Thunderbird Park
UBC Ken Woods	(AT)		Center of Thunderbird Park
UBC Baseball	(AT)		SW Corner of Thunderbird Park
University Hill	(AT)	V91	3228 Ross Drive
Van Tech Turf	(AT)	V84	2600 East Broadway (N. side of school)
Waverly School	(AW)	V30	6111 Elliott Street (beside Nanaimo Park)

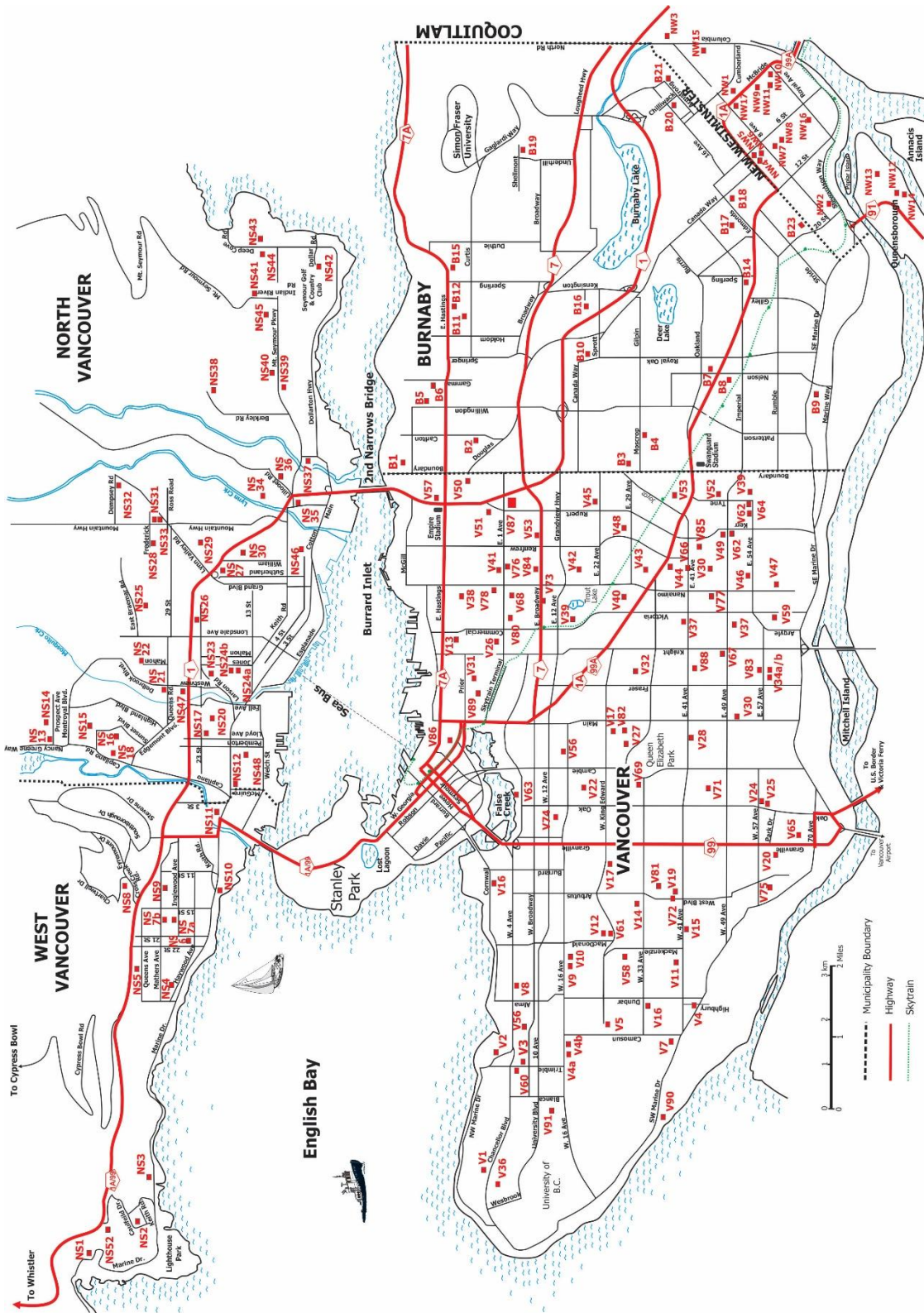
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RICHMOND PLAYING FIELDS 2016 / 2017



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BURNABY, NEW WESTMINSTER, NORTH SHORE & VANCOUVER FIELDS 2016 / 2017



See playing field map at www.4districtsoccer.com

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Director, Webmaster	Jos Beckers	H 604-314-9633	jbeckershome@gmail.com
Referee-in-Chief	Albert Chow		Bby-headreferee@hotmail.com
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Scheduler	Jay Juni	C 604-379-3828	jay.juni@shaw.ca
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PRESIDENTS	Cliff Avenue United Football Club	Guido Titotto	C 604-417-0774 gtitotto@cliffavenuesoccer.com
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	Royal City YSC	Colin Meldrum	H 604-521-0264 colin.b.meldrum@gmail.com
	Burnaby Girls SC	Tom Berry	H 604-420-6702 C 604-329-9317 tsakberry@telus.net

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	Treasurer	Andrea Kleinschmidt		andreakleinschmidt@shaw.ca
	Secretary & 4-District Rep	Christine Pietrzyk		christine@pietrzyk.net
	Metro-Select, MUFC Representative	Betty Dodson	H 604-926-1757	dodsonbetty1@gmail.com
	Board Member	David Sinclair	C 604-988-3880	coastalcoyote@yahoo.ca
	North Van Field Scheduling	TBA		
	Referee in Chief	Patrick Li	C 778-862-9008	patli9@gmail.com
	West Van Field Scheduling	Claudia Sparling	H 604-922-4544	fields@westvansoccer.com
	Sports Council / Fields Committee	Mike Brown	H 604-929-2767	mjbrown@telus.net
	Registrar, 4-District & Cup Scheduling	Ab Bryant	C 604-728-5170	abbryant@aflat.ca
	4-District Soccer League Rep	TBA		
	4-District Discipline	Paul VanBuekenhout	C 604-657-5605	paulvanb@shaw.ca
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	North Shore Girls	Tony Bacchus		president@nsqsc.ca
	North Van Football Club	Stuart Ince		president@nvfc.ca
	Pemberton	James Linklater		jameslinklater@gmail.com
	Squamish	Tim Sjogren		president@squamishsoccer.ca
	Sunshine Coast	Jay Ritchlin		president@scysa.ca
	West Vancouver	Bill Sparling	H 604-922-4544	sparlingbill@shaw.ca
	Whistler	P.J. O'Heany	C 604-935-2047	pjwysc@me.com

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RICHMOND DISTRICT POSITION	NAME	CONTACT #	E-MAIL
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Technical Director	Steve Hood	C 778-349-5061	technicaldirector@richmondfc.ca
Chair	Rein Weber	C 604-351-1569	rein@richmondfc.ca
Vice-Chair, Governance	Mike Fletcher	C 604-313-7337	mike@richmondfc.ca
Vice-Chair, Marketing & Branding	Dan Brodie	H 604-232-4504	dan@richmondfc.ca
Treasurer	Wayne Fraser	C 778-320-9424	wayne@richmondfc.ca
Risk Management, Discrimination & Harassment, Secretary	Mary-Anne Humphrey	C 604-846-1920	maryanne@richmondfc.ca
Metro Select Coordinator	Carlos Carvalheiro-Nunes	C 604-306-0436	carlos@richmondfc.ca
4-District League Representative	Fari Fuladi	C 604-765-4904	fari@richmondfc.ca
Field Scheduler	Emad Ghashghaee	C 604-727-7724	rfieldscheduler@gmail.com
U5/U6 & U7/U8 Age Group Coordinator	Chris Parry	C 778-927-2485	chris@richmondfc.ca
U9/U10 Age Group Coordinator	Jasmin Ma	C 604-839-1704	jasmin@richmondfc.ca
U11/U12 Age Group Coordinator, Privacy, Governance	Fraser King	C 604-362-6276	fraser@richmondfc.ca
U13-U15 Age Group Coordinator	Cristina Carvalheiro-Nunes	C 604-306-0520	cristina@richmondfc.ca
U16-U18 Age Group Coordinator	Terry Dowle	C 604-760-8221	terry@richmondfc.ca
Health & Safety	Bill Barrable	C 604-250-1418	bill@richmondfc.ca
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Discipline	Bob Harrison	C 604-313-5296	bob_harrison@telus.net
Head Referee	Doug Newstead	C 604 307 5702	dougnewstead@hotmail.com
Referee Scheduler	Emad Ghashghaee	C 604-727-7724	rsarefscheduler@gmail.com

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VANCOUVER DISTRICT POSITION	NAME	CONTACT #	E-MAIL	
Chair, Parks & Field, U11 In-house Boys' & U11 -U12 In-house Girls' Scheduler, & Scholarship Committee	Floyd Salazar	C 778-828-4521	floyd.salazar@gmail.com	
Vice-Chair Boys' & BC Summer Games Coordinator	Susan Dhillon		susandhillon@shaw.ca	
Vice-Chair Girls' & BCCGSL (Girls') Representative	Steven Minns	H 604-762-0795	steven.minns@vysa.ca	
Secretary, Girls' Discipline, BC Summer Games & Scholarship Committee	Jaiden Simmons	C 604-347-6068	vysasecretary@vysa.ca	
Treasurer	Steven Chang	C 604-323-8702	vysatreasurer@vysa.ca	
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Risk Management & Harassment	Kieran Siddall		ksiddall@vysa.ca	
MSL League Rep	Tom Madden	C 604-880-6157	tmadden@vysa.ca	
Divisional Liaison	Randy Finlay		finman63@hotmail.com	
4-District Rep, Divisional Liaison, Scholarship Committee	Glyn Roberts		groberts@vysa.ca	
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Vancouver FC Liaison	Sue Sinclair	C 604-345-5437	suesinclair@vysa.ca	
APPOINTEES	Registrar, Permits, Field Scheduler, Mini Scheduler	Patricia Banks	H 604-873-2156	soccer4vysa@gmail.com
	4-District Scheduler	Sirtaj Ali		vysaschedulingrep@gmail.com
	Referee-in-Chief	Marc Bowley	C 604-278-9302	marc.bowley@telus.net
	Referee Scheduler U13 - U18	Ed Soltysik	H 604-760-2111	esoltysik@vysa.ca
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	BC Photo ID & Performance Bond	Anu Kainth		photoid@vysa.ca
PRESIDENTS	ICSF Youth	Jamie Cirotto Don Faccione	H 778-987-2922 H 604-417-4998	jcirotto@hotmail.com donf@telus.net
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	Killarney YSA	Hermen Kailley	C 778-991-2063	president@kysa.ca
	Marpole Soccer Club	Susan Dhillon		susandhillon@shaw.ca
	Vancouver Athletic FC	Darren Sherbot		vafcsherbot@shaw.ca
	Vancouver FC (Metro/Select Club)	(Mrs.) Alex Beckmann	C 604-671-9578	alexbeckmann@shaw.ca
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PIONEER AWARD RECIPIENTS

The 4-District Pioneer Award is an annual recognition. One name is submitted from each of the four districts to the 4-District Soccer League board. The people nominated have either served previously or are currently serving with a District and have made outstanding contributions to youth soccer.

SEASON	BURNABY	NORTH SHORE	RICHMOND	VANCOUVER
1986/87	Mark Stockdale	Ted Stenson		John Carr
1987/88	John Stellick	Donald Brown		Kam Dhillon
1988/89	George Dancey	Fen Burdett		Dave Howden
1989/90	Jim Simpson	Janet Peterson		Dick Watson
1990/91	Ken Lind	Frank Ashdown		Jean Durham
1991/92	Janet Tyrell	John Woodward		Shirley Salvail
1992/93	Barry Leper	Bob Houston		Jack Betteridge
1993/94	Al Barnard	John Blackman		Heinz Heckl
1994/95	Jim Robertson	Bruce Parkin		Lino Bragagnolo
1995/96	Bill Sadgrove	Eric Keller		Ron Lucas
1996/97	Lee Bevilacqua	Mike Gosnell		Jackie Larson
1997/98	Les Brant	Ralph Johnson	No Nominee	Marinella Michielin
1998/99	Steve Hill	Joan Herrin	Eric Holz	Vicki Bale
1999/00	Dick Fryatt	Bob Baldwin	Roger Barnes	Don Mac Lean
2000/01	Frank Palmeiri	Margaret Cobb	Dave Arnold	Pat Banks
2001/02	Sandy Sinclair	Bernice Mulock	Debbie Judd	Ken Grant
2002/03	Ed Turner	Les Sinnott	Bob Harrison	Don Dancey
2003/04	Vic Gazzola	Robin Woods	Rudy Genzel	Sara Jones
2004/05	David Fales	Tony Purnell	Nigel Evans	Davidson Mc Gruer
2005/06	Greg Greiner/ Vern Flannery	Larry Wilson	Andrew Dunham	Klaus Iden
2006/07	Mark Griggs	Bill Woods	Cheryl Dunham	Mal Jones
2007-2008	Gordon Fraser	Julie Walker	Don Jenkins	Tom Higgs
2008-2009	Russ Sales	Ab Bryant	Kevin Lyons	Peter MacDonald
2009-2010	Doug Ross	David Blair	Mike Fletcher	Donna Dancey
2010-2011	Simon Prior	Al Loucks	Andy Stokes	Tracie Galbraith
2011-2012	Rick Poulin	Sev Tolfo	Ruth Balfour	David Haber
2012-2013	Don Ehrenholz	Chris Appleby	David Weber	Dino Anastopoulos
2013-2014	James Rogers	Clark de Boer	Michael Malana	Joe Scaglione
2014-2015	Karen Murray	Patrick Li	Ken Glasspool	Susan Dhillon
2015-2016	John Berry	Claudia Sparling	Doug Long	Don Faccione

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