



35th Annual Columbus Cup Tournament

Age Group Formats, Group Bracket Play, Determining Team Placement, FINALS & Awards

- **Age Group Formats**

○ U9/U10	7 v 7	6 + GK	Max Roster 16
○ U11/U12	9 v 9	8 + GK	Max Roster 18
○ U13/U14	11 v 11	10 + GK	Max Roster 20

- **ALL GENDER/AGE GROUPS PLAY FOUR (4) GAMES**

- **Group of Four (4)**
 - Round Robin Group Play (3 Games)
 - 1 v 2 Total Points FINAL
 - 3 v 4 Total Points Consolation
- **Group of Five (5)**
 - Round Robin Play (4 games)
 - Total Points #1 = 1st Place
 - Total Points #2 = 2nd Place
- **Group of Six (6)**
 - Crossover Play - Bracket A vs Bracket B (3 games)
 - Most Total Points (Regardless of Bracket)
 - Wildcard #1 vs #2 Final
 - Wildcard #3 vs #4 3rd Place Consolation
 - Wildcard #5 vs #6 5th Place Consolation
- **Group of Eight (8)**
 - Two separate brackets of 4 teams
 - Round Robin Bracket Play (3 games)
 - Most Total Points in Each Bracket
 - Bracket A #1 vs B #1 FINAL (1st, 2nd Place)
 - Bracket A #2 vs B #2 3rd Place Consolation
 - Bracket A #3 vs B #3 5th Place Consolation
 - Bracket A #4 vs B #4 7th Place Consolation
 - Wildcard #1 vs #2 FINAL

- **Group Bracket Play: Determining Team Placement**

Teams will be awarded points on the following basis:

- Three (3) points for each Win
- One (1) point for each Tie
- Zero (0) points for each Loss

Any Forfeited Games will be recorded as a 3-0 Loss

Any Cancelled Games will be recorded as a 1-1 tie.

In the event of a tie in points at the end of group bracket play, the winner for advancement to the Final or just for placement will be determined as follows:

1. Head-to-Head (If there is a 3-team tie, proceed to the next tie breaker)
2. Goal Differential (Maximum of +/- 5 per game)
3. Most Wins
4. Least Goals Against (Maximum of 7 per game)
5. Most Shutouts (0-0 Tie is NOT a Shutout)
6. Most Goals For (Maximum of 7 per game)

IF after the end of a 3rd group play game - which impacts decision of playoff game positioning - A Coin Flip will be used to impact the decision of advancement

IF after the end of a 4th group play game, a tie between teams exists, Both teams receive the highest award being played for that game

- **LENGTH OF ANY FINALS SCHEDULED SAME AS AGE GROUP PLAY**

- **IF tied after regulation:**
 - **NO Playoff period (OT) or shootout will take place at end of any game**
 - **IF a playoff game with awards implications ends in tie, both teams receive the highest award being played for (i.e. 1st Place)**

- **AWARDS: 1st & 2nd Place in each Age/Gender/Group receive individual awards, at the venue of their last game** (or where to receive them as directed by Field Marshal)

GOOD LUCK TO ALL TEAMS!