

# Arctic New Year Kickoff

## NEW 3v3 Tournament

December 28 or 29

This is a perfect fun-filled soccer tournament to keep yourself busy over Winter Break!

**Length of Game** – 25 minutes with running clock.

**NO Referee for any game**

**NO Offsides**

**NO slide tackles at all**

**One adult per team on the sideline**

**Ball Size** - The home team provides the game ball (the team listed first on the schedule). Size 4 for 9U-12U. Size 5 for 13U and older. If a combined age group – ball size is to the oldest age group.

**Uniforms and Equipment** – **No cleats allowed on the artificial turf field.** All players must wear the same color shirt/jersey and all shirts/jerseys must be numbered without repeating numbers. All players must also wear shin guards in accordance with FIFA Laws of the Game. In case of a color conflict, the home team must change to an alternate colored jersey. Jewelry and hard hair accessories such as clips are prohibited. Players requiring prescription lenses must wear sport goggles as metal/wire framed glasses are prohibited.

Indoor soccer shoes, futsal soccer shoes, artificial turf shoes, sneakers and flats (including black-soled) are the only permitted footwear.

Firm-ground soccer shoes, soft-ground soccer shoes, artificial grass soccer shoes, hard ground soccer shoes, and a combination of any of the shoes listed are prohibited.

### **Kickoff**

The home team will kick off in the first half (home team is listed first on the schedule). The ball may be played in any direction on the first touch. A goal can be scored on the first touch. Kick offs occur after each goal.

## **Substitutions**

Unlimited substitutions may occur. Substitutions are on the fly, but must not interfere with play.

## **Restarts**

A restart must occur within six (6) seconds of placing the ball for a free kick, corner kick or goal kick (IFK). All are indirect freekicks.

## **Slide Tackling**

Slide tackling the ball by field players is not permitted. If a foul occurs a direct free kick will be awarded to the opposing team.

## **Headers**

Heading the ball is prohibited in Under 11 and younger age divisions. At age group divisions Under 11 and younger, whenever the ball strikes a player in the head, play is stopped. If deliberate, then the proper restart is an indirect free kick to the opposing team. If this occurs within the penalty box, the indirect free kick should be taken from the center of the blue line (7 yards from the goal line) inside of the blue lacrosse circle. If the play by the head is deemed inadvertent, then the proper restart is a dropped ball.

## **Direct and Indirect Free Kicks**

Opposing players must give (4 yards) on all kicks and corner kicks. Failure to do so may result in a re-kick. All freekicks are indirect.

Maryland SoccerPlex/Discovery Sports Center has a "Zero Tolerance" policy towards fighting. This includes, but is not limited to, spitting, pushing, striking, kicking, and wrestling. Any player engaged in fighting will be suspended for the remainder of the tournament.

The Tournament Committee reserves the right to ban/suspend any player/spectator/coach from participation or inclusion in the tournament at their discretion.

**Injuries** - Any player who is bleeding must leave the field. Bleeding must stop before the player is allowed to re-enter the playing field. Time will not be stopped for injuries.

## **General**

- A. The Tournament Committee's interpretation of these rules shall be final.
- B. The Tournament Committee reserves the right to decide on all matters pertaining to this tournament.
- C. Any team that disregards any decision made by the Tournament Committee may be removed from the tournament and forfeit all of its games under the discretion of the Tourna