

PETERBOROUGH CITY FESTIVAL

Festival Rules

The Peterborough City 1-day Festival is open to Girls and Boys Teams from U9 to U12. Mixed teams can play in the Boys Festival. Teams will be guaranteed 4 games.

In keeping with OSA's *A Guide to Festivals in Ontario*, there will be no game sheets, scores and standings will not be kept and no winners will be recorded. No trophies will be presented but all players may receive a memento of the Festival.

OSA LTPD Development Matrix will be used. The following additions will be in effect:

Eligible Teams

The tournament is open to OSA-registered Girls and Boys Development Club teams from U9 up to U12 age divisions. All non-ECOSA teams will require a Permission to Travel permit approved by their District Association.

A player can play for only one team in the festival.

Game Format

All games will be 25 minutes long with no half time.

U9 and U10 teams will play 7 vs 7 (including the goalkeeper). A maximum of 12 players can participate (or be on the bench) in a game.

U11 and U12 teams will play 9 vs 9 (including the goalkeeper). A maximum of 16 players can participate (or be on the bench) in a game.

For U9 to U10 there will be no offsides and no throw-ins (use pass-ins). The retreat rule (half-way line) will be in effect on goal kicks and goalkeeper possession.

Offsides and throw ins will be in effect for U11 and U12 divisions. The retreat rule will be in effect (one-third of field) on goal kicks and goalkeeper possession.

Size 4 ball shall be used for all games.

Coaches are required to give fair playing time to all players and ensure that no player exceeds the permitted maximum of 80 minutes per day for U9's to U12's.

There must be a minimum of 30 minutes rest between games.

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Substitution

There is no limit to the number of player substitutions during a game, but a substitution can only be made during a stoppage in play and at the referee's discretion.

- When a goal is scored
- At a goal kick for either team
- On own kick-ins
- When the other team is substituting (piggy back)
- For an injured player at the referee's discretion.

Registration

All teams must present proof of registration with their District Association. All teams from outside the East Central Ontario Soccer Association (ECOSA) District must supply, no later than one week before the Festival date, a permission to travel form from their home District.

All teams must register at Eastgate Park either Friday evening or the day of the festival, at least one hour before their first game. Players are not required to attend registration. Registration hours will be published on the tournament website when the schedule is posted.

The following documents must be presented at registration:

1. Team Master Roster (2 copies)
2. OSA Players' Books, or equivalent
3. OSA Team Officials' Books, or equivalent
4. Approved Travel Permit (for non-ECOSA teams).

Only the team officials on the Master Roster are allowed on the bench.

Equipment

The festival organizing committee will be responsible for nets and corner flags. The home team of each game will be asked to supply the game ball. The home team will be asked to change their jerseys if two teams have identical or similar team colours.

Referees

Referees will be assigned by the local branch of the OSA. Referees coming with the out of town teams wishing to officiate in the tournament may have that opportunity. Contact Referee's Match Secretary James Montague (705) 875-5587.