

Senior Soccer League - Bylaws and Rules

1. Players must be at least 50 years old in the current calendar year.
 - 1.1. Under aged players are expelled, the team forfeits the game in which the player participated and the team manager is suspended (no playing or coaching) for one League game and fined \$25.00.
 - 1.2. The challenging Team Manager notifies the Trial Board Chairman who notifies the other team managers of the expelled player.
 - 1.3. Team Manager penalties are avoided if the Team Manager validated the player's age in good faith with the Age Verification coordinator prior to the game.
 - 1.4. If a player's age is challenged, the player must produce a valid picture ID to the referee before playing. See item 2 for valid ID
2. Team roster shall be submitted at the beginning of the season to the Registrar The roster contains player's name, date of birth, and document used to verify age
 - 2.1. The proof of age document must be a California driver's license, other state driver's license, California ID, or passport.
 - 2.2. New players must show original proof of age document. New players that do not have an ID must present a valid driver's license, a picture and \$5 to play one time before they get their ID from the league Registrar.
 - 2.3. A team manager who plays an unauthorized player is fined \$25
 - 2.4. Each team may have an unlimited number of players on their roster.
3. Player transfers between teams can only be made at any time. Players must pay a \$20 transfer fee and a \$5 registration fee. Transferred players are eligible to play for the new team after sitting out one scheduled league game.
4. New players can be added at any time
5. Team managers will require their players to exhibit good behavior, e.g. no bad language, arguing referee calls, fighting or other infractions.
6. Teams out of control before, during or after the game are subject to suspension.
7. No drinking of alcoholic beverage on or near the soccer field or school grounds, with the following penalties
 - 1st offense = 3 game suspension
 - 2nd offense = 6 months suspension
 - 3rd offense = Lifetime suspension
8. No smoking or urinating on or near the field.
9. No parking in the parking lot red zones.
10. Teams which are continually short players will be dropped from the league. Three forfeited games in one round due to the inability to field a team of at least 7 players will result in a \$50 fine and team suspension will be imposed by the board of directors.
11. Points and game standings will be kept - 3 points for a win, 1 for a tie, 0 for a loss. Each team will email their game score to the League Standings Administrator by Wednesday following their game. Identify both teams and each score.
12. League fees must be paid by due date or the team may be dropped from the schedule. The League Fees due date and amount is set by the League Treasurer
13. New teams will pay an entry fee set by the Board of Directors.
14. The league provides referees for all published scheduled games.
15. Each team pays the referees the amount set by the league as referees fees prior to the start of the 2nd half of their game. The league may set different fees for a one referee system and a two referee system. The current referee fees will be published with the Game Schedule
16. Teams not providing a representative to a League meeting will be fined \$20.
17. FIFA rules apply except
 - 17.1. No excessive hard play, even when FIFA legal, to avoid injuries and lost time at work.
 - 17.2. No slide tackles
 - 17.3. Slide tackle exception – Goalkeepers may slide tackle within the penalty area but FIFA laws apply with respect to fouls, penalties, cautions and ejections.
18. Unlimited number of substitutions on a dead ball with the referee's permission.
19. Injured players may be substituted at any time during the game with the referee's permission.
20. A player can only play for one team. See By Laws items 2 & 3
 - 20.1. When a team has less than 11 players and with approval of the opposing team manager, players from other teams can play to bring the fielded players up to 11 but the team using guest player(s) forfeits the game. A guest player may not play, and keep a team player out.
 - 20.2. Teams playing non-rostered players without approval will be fined \$20.

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21. The SSL can impose disciplinary action for player behavior occurring on game day on the field of play or in the immediate vicinity of the field of any SSL sanctioned games. SSL sanctioned games include League games, published scheduled friendly games and unscheduled friendly games where SSL provides the referees. League games are games that count toward league standings. Scheduled friendly games are games where all teams are scheduled to play but the games do not count toward league standings such as the summer scheduled friendly games. Unscheduled friendly games are held on days where not all teams are scheduled, two individual teams decide to play each other, and the SSL provides the referees.
22. A player receiving a yellow card must leave the game for a minimum of 5 minutes. The player may be substituted.
23. Red cards received in SSL sanctioned games fall under the jurisdiction of the SSL. A player receiving a red card is automatically suspended from the game and can not be substituted. The player receiving the red card is suspended for a minimum of one scheduled game. The following are minimum additional penalties the Trial Board can apply:
 - 23.1. Fighting
 - 6 games suspension if he is the initiator
 - 2 games suspension if he is the retaliator
 - 8 games suspension, plus 6 months probation for repeat offender within the last 12 months
 - Any player fighting at an SSL friendly or league scheduled game, on the field or off it, will be fined \$100 the first time, \$300 the second time and expelled for life the third time. The fine must be paid before the player can play again. This penalty is in addition to any game suspensions that are issued. The fight count is for the life of the player.
 - 23.2. 1 year suspension for violation of probation
 - 23.3. Intentionally hitting the referee - expelled from League
 - 23.4. Intimidating the referee - 3 games
 - 23.5. Any other technical violations resulting in a red card ejection - suspended for one game.
 - 23.6. A player has only one appeal for the duration of his penalty
 - 23.7. A player can appeal penalties of more than 3 weeks suspension by submitting an appeal to the League President. There is no appeal for suspensions of 3 weeks or less.
24. Suspended players cannot play in SSL sanctioned games until his full suspension is served. League games and scheduled friendly games count toward the number of games suspended. Unscheduled friendly games do not count toward the number of games suspended. If any unscheduled friendly games are played before the full suspension is served, the player cannot play in the unscheduled friendly game.
25. Game cancellations - Referee fees are avoided if the team manager notifies the referee coordinator and opposing team manager by Wednesday prior to the game. Failure to comply with the Wednesday notification, results in a forfeit of the game and the cancelling team pays both team's referee fees.
26. Games may be postponed to a future date with the approval of both team managers. The agreement must be made by the Wednesday prior to the game and the League President must be informed so that any changes in the game schedule and referee schedule can be made. If the League President is not informed by the Wednesday prior to the game each team will pay the referee fees for the postponed game. The League President will reschedule postponed games. Each team is allowed to postpone one game per Round without the opposing team manager's approval. All other postponement requests by the same team within the same Round must have the approval of the opposing team's manager or the game is a forfeit.
27. The League's Board can cancel games due to rain or poor field conditions.
28. The Game Schedule will be published by the League President.
 - 28.1. The official starting time for each game will be listed.
 - 28.2. The games consist of two 40 minute halves with a 10 minute break between halves.
 - 28.3. The official ending time for each game will be listed. The game will be stopped by the referees at the official ending time, regardless of how many minutes have been played.
 - 28.4. If a team is not ready to play at the scheduled start time, they have a 10 minute grace period to field a team. If they are unable to field 7 players or if they refuse by word or inaction to take the field by the end of the 10 minute grace period, they forfeit the game and they are responsible for paying all referee fees for both teams. The referee's watch is the official time.
29. These Bylaws and Rules may be changed or amended by a simple majority vote of the team managers. At least two thirds of the teams in the league must be represented in the vote or the vote is invalid. The team manager may select a representative to vote in his place. Each team shall have one vote. In the event of a tie vote, the League President may break the tie.

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