

## Boys' & Girls' Soccer Championship Bulletin

### THE OFFICIAL SOCCER BALLS FOR ALL CIF SOUTHERN SECTION SOCCER PLAYOFF GAMES

**SPALDING TF-SC3 NFHS   SPALDING TF-SC5 NFHS   SPALDING TF 5000 NFHS**

It is the responsibility of the host team to provide this ball. If they do not have the official game ball, you are to ask the visiting team; if they have the correct balls you are to use them; however you need to report to CIF-SS the home team did not have the official game balls by filling out an Incident Report.

**IMPORTANT NOTE FOR LA CITY GAMES: BEGINNING WITH THE PLAYOFFS, THE TEAMS MUST USE THE BRINE BC105 BALL BASED ON A NEW SPONSOR AGREEMENT. AGAIN, YOU WILL PLAY THE GAME IF THEY DON'T HAVE THE BALL BUT FILE AN INCIDENT REPORT IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE GAME.**

### UNIFORMS

THE HOME TEAM SHALL WEAR SOLID WHITE JERSEYS AND SOLID WHITE SOCKS, AND THE VISITING TEAM SHALL WEAR DARK JERSEYS AND DARK SOCKS. ALL UNIFORMS MUST BE NUMBERED PER NATIONAL FEDERATION RULE 4-1-i-1. THIS INCLUDES GOALKEEPERS. **FOR THE PLAYOFFS, YOU MUST FILE AN INCIDENT REPORT IF TEAMS ARE NOT IN COMPLIANCE WITH ANY UNIFORM RULES.**

### TIE BREAKING PROCEDURES

The following tie breaking procedures will be in effect for all playoff games: In all rounds leading up to the finals, **play will consist of two ten-minute "Golden Goal" (or sudden victory).** Please note that this overtime rule is different than the one most of the leagues apply during the regular season. Get it right.

LA CITY PLAYOFF OVERTIME RULES - TWO 10-MINUTE OVERTIME PERIODS (**NO GOLDEN GOAL, NO SUDDEN DEATH**); **THEN TWO 5-MINUTE OVERTIME PERIODS WHICH ARE GOLDEN GOAL, SUDDEN DEATH**); THEN KICKS FROM THE MARK (MAKE SURE ANY REFEREES ASSIGNED TO LA CITY GAMES KNOW THE DIFFERENCES IN RULES FROM CIFSS - RE: CAUTIONED PLAYERS AND DISQUALIFIED HEAD COACHES)

If a tie still exists, the National Federation Rules pertaining to penalty kicks will be followed:

**PLEASE NOTE: ONE COACH FROM EACH TEAM SHALL BE ALLOWED ON THE FIELD WITH THEIR PLAYERS DURING PENALTY KICKS.**

1) All coaches, officials and team captains shall assemble at the halfway line to review the procedure as outlined below:

a. The head referee shall choose the goal at which all the penalty kicks shall be taken.

- b. Each coach will select any five players, including the goalkeeper, on or off the field (except those who may have been disqualified) to take the penalty kick.
- c. A coin toss shall be held. The team winning the toss shall have the choice of kicking first or second.
- d. Teams will alternate kickers. There is no follow-up on the kick.
- e. Following five kicks for each team, the team scoring the greatest number of these kicks shall be declared the winner.
- f. Add one goal to the winning team score and credit the team with a victory.

2) If the score remains tied after each team has had five penalty kicks:

a. Each coach will select five different players than the first five who already have kicked to take the penalty kicks in a sudden victory situation, wherein if one team scores and other team does not score, the game is ended without more kicks being taken.

b. If the score remains tied, continue the sudden victory penalty kicks with the coach selecting any five players to take the next set of alternating penalty kicks. If a tie still remains, repeat 2a.

- REVIEW THE NFHS RULE BOOK REGARDING 'KICKS FROM THE MARK' MAKING SURE YOU KNOW THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN HIGH SCHOOL PROVISIONS AND THOSE OF USSF AND NCAA SOCCER

- EVEN THOUGH YOU MAY NOT ENFORCE THE RULE DURING THE SEASON, MAKE SURE THERE ARE BALL SHAGGERS BEHIND EACH GOAL TO AVOID ANY CONCERN ABOUT DELAY OF GAME ISSUES (LA CITY - BALL SHAGGERS ARE PROVIDED BY BOTH TEAMS SO THAT THEY WILL BE BEHIND THEIR OWN GOALKEEPER'S GOAL)

- MAKE SURE YOU IDENTIFY A SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR BEFORE THE GAME BEGINS

- CHECK THE FIELD MARKINGS CAREFULLY; IF THERE ARE PROBLEMS, TRY TO HAVE THEM CORRECTED BEFORE THE GAME; THEN SUBMIT A REPORT AFTER THE GAME TO THE APPROPRIATE CIF LIAISON AND OFFICE

- REFEREES SHOULD NOT ACCEPT PLAYOFF ASSIGNMENTS UNLESS THEY CAN BE AT THE GAMES AT LEAST 30 MINUTES BEFORE GAME TIME; THIS ENSURES A PROPER PRE-GAME MEETING FOR THE OFFICIALS

- REMEMBER NOISEMAKERS ARE PROHIBITED; THIS INCLUDES HORNS, BELLS, SIRENS (WARN THE ADMINISTRATOR AND/OR COACH; IF IT CONTINUES, A REPORT MUST BE FILED)

- ON GAMES THAT ARE NOT PLAYED WITHIN A STADIUM, MAKE SURE SPECTATORS ARE CONFINED TO AN AREA AT LEAST 10 FEET FROM THE TOUCH LINE; NO SPECTATORS ARE PERMITTED BEHIND THE GOAL LINE UNLESS SEATED IN BLEACHERS

- IN THE CASE OF SEVERE INCLEMENT WEATHER, IF YOU MUST TERMINATE THE GAME, IT IS AN OFFICIAL GAME IF ONE COMPLETE HALF OR MORE OF THE GAME HAS BEEN PLAYED. IF LESS THAN ONE HALF HAS BEEN PLAYED, THE GAME MUST BE RESCHEDULED FROM THE START

**- FOR THE PLAYERS AND COACHES INVOLVED IN PLAYOFF GAMES, THIS IS AN EXCITING AND IMPORTANT TIME FOR THEM. LET'S MAKE SURE OUR REFEREES GIVE THEM THE EFFORT AND EXPERTISE THAT THEY DESERVE.**