



ATTN: Boys' & Girls' Athletic Directors and Boys' & Girls' Soccer Coaches

FROM: Kristine Palle, Assistant Commissioner, Girls Soccer Administrator
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SUBJECT: 2020-2021 CIF SOUTHERN SECTION FORD ~ SOCCER CHAMPIONSHIPS

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With this year's CIF Southern Section Soccer Playoffs just around the corner, the following bulletin is designed to assist your school in planning should you qualify for a berth in the post-season championship tournament conducted by the CIF Southern Section.

DATES ! TIMES ! LOCATIONS

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PLAYOFF DATES - BOYS

Wild Card Games*(if necessary)(Tuesday) May 11, 2021
First Round*May 13, 2021
Second Round*May 15, 2021
Quarter Finals*May 19, 2021
Semi Finals*May 22, 2021
Finals..... May 28 or 29, 2021
CIF State SoCal Regionals June 1-5, 2021
*Host field

PLAYOFF DATES - GIRLS

Wild Card Games*(if necessary) (Monday) May 10, 2021
First Round*May 12, 2021
Second Round*May 14, 2021
Quarter Finals*May 18, 2021
Semi Finals*May 22, 2021
Finals..... May 28 or 29, 2021
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SPECIAL NOTE: Should your school have both genders playing in semi-final games on Saturday, May 22, **both games MUST** be played on Saturday, May 22. Please make plans in advance to secure fields.

ALL-CIF SOCCER NOMINATION FORM IS AVAILABLE @ [All-CIF Soccer Nomination Form](#)

DEADLINE TO SUBMIT FORM IS SATURDAY, MAY 22, 2021.

CIFSSHOME REQUIREMENTS

SCHEDULES & SCORES - Complete your schedule in CIFSSHome prior to your season as well as update scores following each contest

Attention Athletic Directors/Coaches: It is very important that you enter your entire season schedule into CIFSSHome (www.cifsshome.org) as well as update the scores immediately following your contests.

Log in @ www.cifsshome.org (If you do not have a log in & password as a coach, check with your Athletic Director). Once you are logged in:

-On the left panel, click on "Teams", select "Soccer, Boys or Soccer, Girls"

-To **Add a game**, click "Add Game" at the top right and fill out all of the required fields which are marked by a red (*) to complete your schedule.

-To **Submit your score**, click on the "Teams", select "Soccer, Boys or Soccer, Girls" Scroll through your schedule and click on the green "Post Result" button.

-Make sure that your overall and team records are correct on your team page.

Check out the Help video under the Help button on the bottom left, "Be CIF Prepared!"

VARSITY TEAM INFORMATION (ROSTER) DUE no later than THURSDAY, MAY 6, 2021.

Attention Athletic Directors/Coaches: It is very important that you enter your entire Soccer Varsity roster into CIFSSHome (www.cifsshome.org) no later than **THURSDAY, MAY 6, 2021.**

Log in @ www.cifsshome.org (If you do not have a log in & password as a coach, check with your Athletic Director).

Once you are logged in:

-On the left panel, Click on the "Teams" tab, select "Soccer, Boys or Soccer, Girls"

-Here are the instructions for using the sample file.

- Download the sample file **and** delete the "contents only". Copy and paste or type your roster information into the file as the contents and save the file to your computer. You can only upload an excel file (xls) that is the exact same format as the sample file. Columns for information not required for your sport may be left blank, but the HEADER INFORMATION MUST REMAIN EXACTLY AS THE SAMPLE.

Required Columns for Soccer are: First Name, Last Name, Birth date, Year, Number, Position, Height & Eligibility.

- Next - click Choose File, find your file, then click "Import Student".

- To confirm your roster has been uploaded, your roster will be uploaded in the roster section and all of the required columns are filled out.

Check out the Help video under the Help tab on the bottom left, "Be CIF Prepared!"

VARSITY COACHES

Attention Athletic Directors/Coaches: It is very important that you enter your Soccer coaches (Head & Assistants) into CIFSSHome (www.cifsshome.org) no later than **TUESDAY, MAY 4, 2021.**

Log in @ www.cifsshome.org (If you do not have a log in & password as a coach, check with your Athletic Director).

Once you are logged in:

-Click on the "Teams" tab on the left navigation bar. Click on the corresponding varsity team (Soccer, Boys or Soccer, Girls).

-Click on "Add/Edit Coaches", select the information to add both your HEAD & ASSISTANT coach

VARSITY TEAM PHOTO DUE no later than MONDAY, MAY 17, 2021

Attention Athletic Directors/Coaches: It is very important that your Soccer Varsity Team Photo is uploaded to CIFSSHome (www.cifsshome.org) no later than **MONDAY, MAY 17, 2021.**

Log in @ www.cifsshome.org (If you do not have a log in & password as a coach, check with your Athletic Director).

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-On the left panel, click "Teams" tab on the left navigation bar. Click on the corresponding varsity team (Soccer, Boys or Soccer, Girls).

- Under Team Picture, click Add/Edit picture, click Browse, find your file and click "Upload Picture" – Team Photo can be no larger than 672 pixels x 480 pixels (7"x5")

Check out the Help video under the Help tab on the bottom left, "Be CIF Prepared!"

AT LARGE APPLICATION – MUST HAVE .500 RECORD OR BETTER

Attention Athletic Directors/ Coaches: Please follow the instructions below to enter your school as an At Large Entry for Soccer. The At Large Application is to be submitted by your school no later than **THURSDAY, MAY 6 @ 11:00 p.m.**

Log in @ www.cifsshome.org (If you do not have a log in & password as a coach, check with your Athletic Director).

Once you are logged in:

-On the left panel, click on At Large Petition

-Select "Boys Soccer or Girls Soccer" then click "Add"

Please be sure that your Schedule is updated in CIFSSHome as this is where the information for the At Large Petition will be created.



OFFICIAL BALL PROGRAM – **MANDATORY USE IN PLAYOFFS 2020-2021**

Official Ball per sport:

- Baseball: **Rawlings CIF-SS** Must be CIFSS/**NOCSAE** stamped ball; not an alternative Rawlings ball
 Rawlings RCIF-SS Must be CIFSS/**NOCSAE** stamped ball; not an alternative Rawlings ball
- Boys Basketball: **Spalding TF1000 NFHS Classic NFHS**
 Spalding TF1000 Legacy NFHS
 Spalding TF-1000 Platinum ZK NFHS 29.5 *(Used in the CIF-SS Championship game)*
- Girls Basketball: **Spalding TF1000 NFHS Classic 28.5 NFHS**
 Spalding TF1000 Legacy 28.5 NFHS
 Spalding TF-1000 Platinum ZK NFHS 28.5 *(Used in the CIF-SS Championship game)*
- Football: **Spalding ball with NFHS** any Spalding model with NFHS stamp
 Spalding Alpha ball with NFHS *(Used in the CIF-SS Championship game)*
- Lacrosse: **Champion Sports NOCSAE Balls** (White LBWNOCSAE, Yellow LBYNOCSAE, Orange LBO, Lime Green LBG)
- Soccer: **Spalding TF-SC5 NFHS** for both boys and girls use.
 Spalding TF-SC3 NFHS for both boys and girls use.
 Spalding TF5000 NFHS for both boys and girls use.
- Softball: **Dudley CFP12Y NFHS** *(Used in the CIF-SS Championship game)*
- Tennis: **Penn ATP World Tour** *(Used in the CIF-SS Championship game)*
 Pro Penn Marathon
- Volleyball: **Spalding with NFHS stamp: TF-VB5, TF-VB3**
- Boys Water Polo: **KAP7 model 105 with NFHS stamp** *(Used in the CIF-SS Championship game)*
- Girls Water Polo: **KAP7 model 104 with NFHS stamp** *(Used in the CIF-SS Championship game)*

Mandatory Playoff Use Requirement:

The mandatory “official” ball rule for all playoff rounds, excluding golf. The rule applies throughout the conduct of **all** CIF-SS **playoff** contests.

Playoff Ball Use Rule Enforcement:

Should a school fail to provide the correct game ball, the game will always be played. Teams/schools failing to utilize the correct official ball in CIF-SS playoffs will be reported by officials to CIF-SS and will not be allowed to host their next available home playoff game. Penalty will carry over to the next season if not enforceable this season due to elimination.

Note: NFHS stamp is required in all sports except in golf and tennis.

1. **SCHEDULES & SCORES**

ALL SCHEDULES & SCORES MUST BE UPDATED IN CIFSSHOMES (www.cifsshomes.org) NO LATER THAN THURSDAY, MAY 6, 2021.

Attention Athletic Directors/Coaches: It is very important that you enter your entire season schedule into CIFSSHomes (www.cifsshomes.org) as well as update the scores immediately following your contests.

2. **END OF COMPETITION**

All league competition for entries must end on or before **Thursday, MAY 6, 2021**. Any contest(s) played after the completion of league play and/or submission of league entries will not impact the seeding or ranking of a team or teams that were involved in those events.

3. **PAIRINGS**

First round pairings in all divisions will be announced **Saturday, May 8**. Pairings will be available on the CIF-SS website (www.cifss.org):

Boys' and Girls' Divisions9:00 a.m.

4. **PLAYOFF PAIRINGS**

The initial step in the pairing process is to place the top four teams (identified by the sport specific Advisory Committee using the final "Top Ten Poll") into their assigned position within a playoff bracket. Provided no league-mates appear within the same quarter AND provided the 1st and 2nd place teams from the same leagues are separated into opposite halves of the bracket, the seeding process can continue with teams being placed in their assigned positions. Throughout this process, a 2nd place league entry may not be seeded higher than their 1st place league-mate. When there are "byes" in the draw, all league champions will receive a 1st round "bye" before any others, regardless of overall seed within the division. Additionally, when possible, 3rd, 4th, 5th and/or "at large" entries will receive "wild card" games prior to any 1st or 2nd place teams regardless of overall seed.

5. **DETERMINATION OF SITES**

To decide who shall be the host team AFTER the first round of competition will be the sole responsibility of the Commissioner. In cases where two teams are paired after the first round of the playoffs, the team having the fewest number of host games in playoff competition shall be designated as the host team. When both teams have had an equal number of host playoff contests, the Commissioner shall toss a coin to decide the host team. When a school has been designated as the host school for a playoff contest it shall (1) act in that capacity unless excused by the Commissioner, and (2) be considered the host team regardless of where the game is being played. **SPECIAL NOTE: Teams receiving a bye in the first round shall automatically be the host team in the next round of the playoffs.**

6. **TIME OF GAME**

All playoff game times (except for the championship finals) are set for 3:00pm or 5:00pm. The HOME TEAM has the option of these two times based on availability of the field and/or if the field has lights. If an alternate time is necessary mutual consent to the game time change is required by the two schools. All game times are to be confirmed between the opponents and then **MUST** be communicated to the Southern Section office and officials immediately for confirmation. **ALL game times, location change, or date change must be sent via e-mail to the CIF-SS office.**

The e-mail must include the following information:

- Division
- Gender
- Teams in the Contest
- New game time / location / date
- The visiting school's Athletic Director has been included in the e-mail

E-mail the following individuals:

BOYS' SOCCER

Assistant Commissioner: Mike Middlebrook at mikem@cifss.org

Program Coordinator: Lisa McInerney at lisam@cifss.org

CIF Officials Rep: Tom Freker at tommyref7@aol.com

Your local Assigner: *for matches played in the Wild Card, 1st, 2nd or Quarter-final round.*

GIRLS' SOCCER

Assistant Commissioner:
Program Coordinator:
CIF Officials Rep:
Your local Assignor:

Kristine Palle at kristinep@cifss.org
Brenda Bomgaars at brendab@cifss.org
Tom Freker at tommyref7@aol.com
for matches played in the Wild Card, 1st, 2nd or Quarter-final round.

7. PRE-FLIPS

For ALL Rounds we will be conducting pre-flips to give the teams involved immediate notice of their next game location. When the pairings are released on Saturday, May 8th the draw will indicate home and away teams. **Coin flips schedule for games played on the following dates listed below:**

BOYS

Saturday, May 15
Wednesday, May 19
Saturday, May 22
Friday or Saturday, May 28 or 29

COIN FLIP DATE: Wednesday, May 12, 2021
COIN FLIP DATE: Friday, May 14, 2021
COIN FLIP DATE: Monday, May 17, 2021
COIN FLIP DATE: Thursday, May 20, 2021

GIRLS

Friday, May 14
Tuesday, May 18
Saturday, May 22
Friday or Saturday, May 28 or 29

COIN FLIP DATE: Tuesday, May 11, 2021
COIN FLIP DATE: Thursday, May 13, 2021
COIN FLIP DATE: Monday, May 17, 2021
COIN FLIP DATE: Wednesday, May 19, 2021

8. OFFICIALS

Officials for all playoff contests will be coordinated by the CIF-SS on the basis of merit of the particular official's work during the regular season. In all playoff games, the officials shall receive **\$81.00** in the two-person system and **\$86.00/\$75.00** in the three- person system.

9. OFFICIAL GAME CLOCK TIME

Will be kept by the official on the field until the championship final at which time a clock will be used.

10. PRE-GAME ARRANGEMENTS

(a) The host school is responsible for:

- 1) Securing an adequate site for use in all playoff contests.
- 2) Making arrangements for contrasting uniform jerseys.
- 3) Contacting the visitors prior to game day to establish any necessary ground rules should the field or equipment not meet National Federation standards.
- 4) Providing official Spalding **TF 5000 NFHS, TF-SC5 NFHS or TF-SC3 NFHS game ball to be used**, directions to the school, locker room arrangements, visitor parking or any other special circumstances relative to the contest.

(b) **GOALS MUST MEET SPECIFICATIONS OF NATIONAL FEDERATION RULE 1 SECTION 4**

(c) **NOISEMAKERS PROHIBITED** No noisemakers (horns, bells, victory bells, sirens, chimes, musical instruments other than those in the band, etc will be permitted inside the gymnasium, stadium or playing fields at any CIF Southern Section contest (non-league, league, tournament or playoff). Cheering devices such as wooden blocks, or other similar objects, are prohibited. Megaphones shall be used only by uniformed cheerleaders for the purpose of directing and controlling rooting sections. The improper use of any of the above listed devices by supporters of a team would subject that team to possible forfeiture of the contest. The use of music is allowed by the home team during pre-game, half-time and when the ball is "dead" as long as it does not interfere with the safety of the contest as determined by the game official.

(d) **ANNOUNCER**

A game announcer is permitted for introduction of line-ups, substitutions, goal scorers, etc but not play-by-play as this becomes a potential safety issue for the players and officials.

11. TEAM ROSTER

As per National Federation Rule 3-1-3, each coach shall submit a roster, bench personnel and coach names to the officials at least five minutes prior to the start of the contest. The game shall not begin until this is complete.

12. UNIFORMS

THE VISITING TEAM SHALL WEAR SOLID WHITE JERSEYS AND SOLID WHITE SOCKS, AND THE HOME TEAM SHALL WEAR DARK JERSEYS AND DARK SOCKS.

ALL UNIFORMS MUST BE NUMBERED PER NATIONAL FEDERATION RULE 4-1-h-1.

13. SQUAD SIZE

Shall be restricted to 20 players, the CIF-SS will only provide awards up to the number of 20 per team.

14. INCLEMENT WEATHER – Whenever there is a situation involving inclement weather during the Soccer Championship Playoff Events, we feel it necessary to review with you the policies regarding rainouts, games called due to weather, etc. Here is the relevant information...

1) In instances where games cannot be started due to inclement weather, teams will postpone that day's scheduled games until the next available date. Weekday games will be postponed until the next day, Saturday games will be postponed until the following Monday.

2) If games are started and then must be called due to inclement weather, the following NFHS rules apply:

A) The head referee shall declare it an official game if one complete half or more of the game has been played. If less than one-half of the game has been played, the game must be rescheduled from the start.

We ask that you please communicate with our office immediately on any changes to your scheduled games.

15. TIE BREAKING PROCEDURES

The following tie breaking procedures will be in effect for all playoff games:

(A) Play will consist of two ten-minute "Golden Goal" (or sudden victory). If a tie still exists, the National Federation Rules pertaining to kicks from the mark will be followed:

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

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 kicks shall be taken.
- b. Each coach will select any five players, including the goalkeeper, on or off of the field (except those who may have been disqualified) to take the kicks from the mark.
- 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 kicks from the mark:

- a. Each coach will select five different players than the first five who already have kicked to take the 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 kicks with the coach selecting any five players to take the next set of alternating kicks. If a tie still remains, repeat 2a.

16. MEDIA

Any radio broadcast or telecast, whether delayed or live, of any playoff soccer game, must be approved by the CIF-SS Office.

17. AUDIO AND VIDEO REPRODUCTION EQUIPMENT

The CIF Southern Section Office retains the right of all audio and video reproduction of any CIF-SS playoff contest. Permission for ANY audio or video reproduction equipment at CIF-SS soccer playoffs must be secured in advance from the Commissioner's office for which a fee will be charged.

18. CREDENTIALS

Each school and/or school district will determine if media credentials and/or courtesy cards will be honored based on the guidelines established by the CDPH, local county health department regulations, school districts, and individual schools/private schools.

19. ADMISSION REGULATIONS TO PLAYOFF CONTESTS

Due to the inability of schools to secure a playing site which is enclosed, there will be no admission charge at playoff contests. If two competing schools wish to conduct an admission charge, the principals of those schools must receive permission from the CIF-SS Office in advance of the scheduled contest. If granted, the two schools then have the responsibility of conveying this information to their respective followings. In the event the competing schools agree and admission is charged, the following financial regulations will be in effect:

- (a) **ADMISSION PRICES** - The admission prices shall be no higher than \$10.00 for adults, \$5.00 for students and children under 12. Schools may agree to a lower price structure.
- (b) **HOST SCHOOL** - The designated host school is responsible for all costs incurred in hosting the contest. These would include officials, supervision, stadium rental, etc.
- (c) **VISITING SCHOOL** - The designated visiting school is responsible for all costs incurred in team traveling, such as bus, meals, etc.
- (d) **GATE SPLIT** - When admission is charged for rounds prior to the finals, the gate is to be handled as a gross gate and split 50-50 between the competing schools (please refer to Article I, Section 143 of the Blue Book).
- (e) **FINALS** - The admission price for Friday, May 28, 2021 & Saturday, May 29, 2021 will be:
\$12.00 General Admission
\$5.00 Student with High School I.D. & Children under 13

A SEPARATE TICKET WILL NEED TO BE PURCHASED FOR EACH DAY

***The CIF Southern Section Girls and Boys Division 1 - 7 Championships will take place on Friday, May 28 or Saturday, May 29. One team will be designated as the "Home" team and will be responsible for securing a site for the section championship. The host school must secure a Football Stadium like field. They may use their home site as long as it meets the facility requirements and can provide for the anticipated crowd. A date and/or time change may be adjusted if the two opponents can mutually agree on the adjustment and upon approval from the CIF-SS office.**

20. PROTESTS

By action of the CIF-SS Council at its March, 1983 meeting, protests of playoff contests involving National Federation Rules will no longer be entertained following the conclusion of the contest. Coaches may direct questions to the game officials as they pertain to a possible misapplication of the rules in accordance with the National Federation Rules governing that sport. No protest may be carried forth once the contest is completed. Coaches are encouraged to carry National Federation Rule books with them for all playoff contests. Schools will still have the opportunity to protest a contest in accordance with Southern Section rules, Rule 1112, as it pertains to use of ineligible players or violations of any CIF-SS rule in connection with the contest.

21. CHAMPIONSHIP FINALS MANDATORY MEETING

If your soccer team advances to the CIF Southern Section championship finals, a school administrator and coach will be required to attend a meeting at the CIF-SS office on Tuesday, May 25th. At this time, you will be advised on packet pickup at the gate, team arrival and entrance gate, team bus parking, rooster bus parking, on-line ticket sales and post-game awards ceremony. Please review the Championship bulletin prior to calling our office. Uniform information and squad size will be addressed in the bulletin which must be adhered to.

SOCCER GAME MANAGEMENT AND CROWD CONTROL

New procedure could result in loss of home playoff contest.

With the 2021 Soccer Playoffs about to begin, administrators should review supervisory and crowd control procedures for the winter soccer season. Review this information with your principal and athletic director. These are the National Federation minimum requirements for crowd control.

As a review:

NATIONAL FEDERATION RULES **REQUIRE** THAT SPECTATORS BE CONFINED TO AN AREA **AT LEAST** 10 FEET FROM THE TOUCH LINE, TEAMS, OFFICIALS AND GOAL LINE

(Rule 1, Section 6 in the NFHS Soccer Rules Book)

IT IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED THAT THERE BE NO OTHER ACTIVITIES TAKING PLACE ON THE FIELD OR IN THE STADIUM WHILE YOUR PLAYOFF SOCCER MATCH IS TAKING PLACE. SPORTS PRACTICES BOTH SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY AND/OR OTHER SIMULTANEOUS ACTIVITIES ON THE FIELD IS HIGHLY DISCOURAGED AS IT BRINGS LIABILITY AND RISK TO ALL INVOLVED.

IF THE GAME OFFICIAL(S) DETERMINES THE FIELD IS UNSAFE (DUE TO SIMULTANEOUS ACTIVITY), THEY CAN ORDER ALL OTHER ACTIVITIES TO CEASE PRIOR TO THE CONTESTS BEING PLAYED.

**** The CONFINED AREA must be marked with a barrier of some kind.**

No one shall be permitted directly behind the goal line unless seated in bleachers.

Home School Supervision – Faculty supervisors should be individuals who are as familiar as possible with the members of the student body in order to facilitate identification of students whenever necessary.

Visiting School Supervision – The visiting school should assign a sufficient number of supervisors such that adequate crowd control can be accomplished.

~ PLAYOFF RULES ~

All playoff games will be conducted under 2020-21 NATIONAL FEDERATION SOCCER RULES except where superseded by this bulletin or the Blue Book.

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2020-21 SOCCER GUIDELINES & COVID-19 MODIFICATIONS

Foundational Statement

The following guidelines and modifications were created to allow for the safe participation of student-athletes during the Covid-19 Pandemic. The following guidelines follow best practices and recommendations from the CIF, the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS), and will continue to remain within the scope of all state public health orders. *The suggested NFHS modifications are recommendations only and not to be considered mandatory rule changes.*

MODERATE

General Guidelines

- Masks are recommended to be worn at all times by all individuals participating in the activity, even with heavy exertion as tolerated.
- Social distancing measures shall be in place at all times other than when engaged in competition.

Event Limitations

- 28 matches permitted during the season.
- Adhere to local county guidelines.

Pre-Game Conference

- Limit attendees to head or center referee, the head coach and a single captain from each team.
- Move the location of the pre-game conference to the center of the field.
- Participants must maintain social distancing protocols during the conference.
- No handshakes.

Team Benches

- Coaches, game personnel and players only permitted in the team bench area.
- Social distance requirements must be observed by all in the team bench area.
- Team bench areas may be located on opposite sides of the field.
- Spectators shall not be permitted behind the team benches.

Post-Game Procedures

Replace handshakes after the game with a social distance acknowledgment of the team's choosing.

Official Scorekeeping Area

Limited to home team scorekeeper and timer. Maintain social distance requirements. Visiting team personnel (scorekeeper, statistician, timer) are not deemed essential personnel and will need to find an alternative location.

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2020-21 SOCCER GUIDELINES & COVID-19 MODIFICATIONS

Substitution Procedures

Maintain social distance of at least 6-feet between referees, opponents and/or teammates.

Equipment Sanitation

Games shall utilize a three-ball rotation, ensuring that anytime a ball goes out of play it shall be sanitized thoroughly with a bleach wipe before returning to the rotation.

Equipment & Accessories

- Permissible face coverings are required to be worn at all times by all attendees present.
- Players shall utilize their own equipment bin for all personal gear on the sideline.
- Long sleeves and long pants are permissible.
- Gloves are permissible.
- Undergarments are permissible but must be of a similar length for the individual and a solid-like color of the team.
- Sanitize all equipment and accessories after each game.

Water Bottles & Hydration Stations

- Team members shall not share water bottles.
- Hydration stations may be utilized but shall be touched only by a single appointed monitor.

Referees

- Observe social distance requirements when communicating with coaches, players and other umpires.
- Face coverings are required at all times.
- Long-sleeved shirts/jackets are permissible.
- Gloves are permissible.

Regional Championships

- All games played at host school sites
- Championships shall be single elimination
- Suspend pre-game world cup introduction line and send players to their field positions for introductions.
- Awards ceremonies will be limited to ensure safe social distancing and to minimize mass gatherings.



MEMO

To: CIF SOUTHERN SECTION SOCCER COACHES

From: Kristine Palle, CIF-SS Assistant Commissioner, Girls Soccer Administrator
Mike Middlebrook, CIF-SS Assistant Commissioner, Boys Soccer Administrator

Date: May 2021

Subject: CIF STATE SOCCER REGIONAL CRITERIA

The CIF SoCal Regional Soccer Championships shall be conducted in five divisions. The CIF Section will be granted four entries in each of the five divisions. The four entrants will be as follows:

STATE DIVISION I (4)

4 Semifinalists from Southern Section Division 1

STATE DIVISION II (4)

4 Semifinalists from Southern Section Division 2

STATE DIVISION III (4)

4 Semifinalists from Southern Section Division 3

STATE DIVISION IV (4)

2 Finalists from Southern Section Division
4 2 Finalists from Southern Section
Division 5

STATE DIVISION V (4)

2 Finalists from Southern Section Division
6 2 Finalists from Southern Section
Division 7

ENTRIES –SEEDING PROCEDURES

The CIF SoCal Regional Soccer Championships will be conducted using eight-team (8) brackets in each of the five (5) divisions for both boys and girls.

For additional information visit the CIF State website www.cifstate.org