

Dawson Creek 2005 Northern BC Winter Games

Indoor Soccer Rules

Tournament to be played as a single Round Robin, with two (2) pools, eight (8) teams total. Top four (4) teams to advance to 2nd round, single elimination. The top team in Pool `A' will play the second place team in Pool `B' and the top team in Pool `B' will play the second place team in Pool `A'. Winners will play for Gold and Silver. Losing two teams will play for a single Bronze.

Games for **YOUTH** will be two 15-minute halves with a 5-minute half time. There will be no overtime except as specified for the single elimination round. Overtime will be sudden death. (i.e.: The team that scores first wins the game.)

1. Five (5) players including goalie per side.
2. Unlimited substitutions during stoppage in play, with the Referee's permission.
3. Size number 5 low bounce indoor soccer balls to be used.
4. Shin pads are mandatory and stockings are to cover the shin pads completely.
5. Games shall be started by coin toss selection and a free kick from centre. During the game, the ball shall be put into play within 5 seconds or a change of possession will be awarded by the Referee.
6. No offsides.
7. The ball is out of play when it fully crosses the goal line, is trapped behind the goal or spectators, or at the Referee's whistle.
8. The ball is in play after all rebounds and deflections.
9. No heading or slide tackling permitted.
10. No hands on the wall (except to prevent injury).
11. All free kicks are indirect kicks, with the opposing team 8 feet away from the ball. There are no throw-ins.
12. A goal kick is replaced by an underhand rolling of the ball by the goalie to another player.
13. The goalie may handle the ball with his/her hands only within the goal crease. The ball must be put back in play within 5 seconds.
14. Net size will be 9ft 7 inches in length and 6 ft 4 inches in width with 3 feet at the top. The goal crease will be an 8-foot radius from the goal line.
15. If a defender enters the goal crease and interferes with play, a penalty shot will be awarded to the offensive team.

16. If an offensive player enters the goal crease and attempts to play the ball, a free kick will be awarded to the goalkeeper.
17. If entry into the goal crease is accidental, no call will be made.
18. A penalty kick shall be awarded in the event of interference on a breakaway, the goalie handling the ball outside the crease, or when the defending team touches the ball in the crease.
19. Penalty shots will be taken 15 feet from the goal line and the one (1) step rule will be in effect.
20. **Red cards** - upon Referee's discretion, a **red card will result in immediate expulsion** from the game and a further **one game suspension**.
21. Height restriction of 8 feet to be in effect only when the ball makes contact with walls or obstructions above its height. In the event of a high ball, a free kick will be awarded from the spot that the offense took place.
22. In the event of a high ball from the goalie, a free kick is awarded to the attacking team from centre.
23. Fighting will result in an immediate red card, suspension from the balance of the tournament and possible disciplinary action by the Games Society.
24. Only the team captain, or the designated representative may request an explanation of a Referee's ruling, and only with the Referee's permission.
25. All team players must be registered prior to their first game to be eligible to play in the tournament. There are **no exceptions** permitted.
26. Coaches are responsible for the actions of their players. The use of the facilities and equipment is a privilege. Unacceptable behaviour by any individual or team will not be tolerated and may result in individuals or teams being expelled from the tournament **and** being subject to disciplinary action by the Northern BC Winter Games Society.
27. Coaches and Managers of adult teams cannot be reclassified as players in the event of an injury.
28. With notification to and by the Regional Director, girls may play on boys' teams if they are registered at the beginning of the season.

NOTE:

These rules shall be used in all Northern BC Winter Games competitions for Girls, Boys and Ladies Indoor Soccer. These rules will not be changed after September 30th prior to the Games.

Playing surface: 72 feet by 48 feet

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