

## The “Kick Cancer” 3 V 3 Soccer Tournament

### **RULES OF THE GAME:**

The following rules have been designed to ensure fair play for all participants. Each player is expected to understand these rules prior to their participation in the tournament. Any questions concerning these rules should be directed to 3v3 Event Staff.

**Field Dimensions:** Approximately 30 yd. X 40 yd.

**Player/team Registration:** All teams must check in at the registration table at least 30 minutes before the start of their first game. All coaches must submit roster with player names and numbers, along with their medical release forms. All players must show their player pass to a tournament representative at registration. All games played with an ineligible player shall be forfeited.

**Number of Players:** Six is the maximum number of players on a team: three field players and three substitutes. (A team must have a minimum of 2 field players). Players may play on more than one team per division as long as they are age appropriate.

**Age of Participants:** The age group of each team is determined by the birth date of the oldest player on the roster. U11 – U13boys and girl division and u15 boys are eligible for this tournament

**Tournament Equipment:** All players must wear shin guards. Any player without shin guards will not be allowed to play. Teams must have the same colored jersey on. Ball Size, U11 & U12, Size 4, U13, Size 5

**Game Duration:** The game shall consist of two 12-minute halves separated by a one minute halftime period A coin toss will determine direction and possession before the start of the game. Games tied after regulation play shall end in a tie, except in the championship game. There are no timeouts and the Game Clock does not stop in 3v3 games. The official time will be monitored centrally. The ref is on the field and holds the right to take necessary action if he/she feels that a team is delaying the game.

**Substitution:** Substitutions may be made at any point. Players must enter and exit at centre. Substitutions shall be made on the fly!

**No Offsides in 3v3 Soccer!**

**Hand Ball Clarification:** Deliberate handling of the ball that denies a team of an obvious goal-scoring opportunity will result in the following: (1) A penalty kick (at the discretion of the referee)

**Penalty Kicks:** shall be taken 15 feet out

**Start-of-game:** To be determined by coin toss, called by home team to determine initial possession.

**Kick Off:** May be taken in any direction. You cannot score directly from a kick off

**Kick-Ins/Goal Kicks:** The ball shall be kicked into play from the sideline instead of thrown in. Goal Kicks may be taken from any point of the end line. The ball is considered in play when the ball is touched and moves one full rotation. You cannot score directly from a kick-in or goal kick

**Corner Kicks:** The ball shall be kicked into play from the corner. The ball is considered in play when the ball is touched and moves one full rotation. You **can** score directly from a corner

**Five Yard Rule:** In all dead-ball situations, defending players must stand at least five yards away from the ball. If the defensive player's goal is closer than five yards, the ball shall be played five yards from the goal box in line with the direction of play prior to the penalty.

**Direct & Indirect Kicks:** All kick-ins, kick-offs, goal kicks are indirect. Corner kicks, free kicks and penalty kicks are direct kicks

**Goal Scoring:** A goal may only be scored from a touch (offensive or defensive) within a team's offensive half of the field) If a player in their defensive end kicks the ball across midline and the ball hits any player and the ball goes in the goal, a goal will be awarded

**Goal Arc:** An arc will surround the goal area. There is no ball control allowed within the goal arc. A player touching the arc or is inside the arc becomes an extension of the arc. If a player has one foot inside the arc and touches a ball outside the arc with the other foot, the arc is "extended" to the player's other foot thus creating an arc violation.

- Any player may enter the arc, stand inside the arc, and pass through the arc as long as there is no contact with the ball inside the arc.
- If the ball comes to rest in the arc, a goal kick is awarded.
- If a defender touches the ball in the arc, a goal is awarded
- If an offensive player touches the ball in the arc, a goal kick is awarded

**Points:** Games will be scored according to the following: 3 points for a win; 1 point for a tie; A forfeited game is scored as a 6-0 win for the team that is present.

**Tie-Breakers:** 1) head-to-head 2) goal differential (maximum 6 per game) 3) fewest goals allowed 4) coin toss

**Playoff Overtime:** Shall consist of a 4-minute “silver goal” overtime period with a coin toss to decide kick-off/direction. The team with the most goals at the end of overtime is the winner. If it is still tied after the 3-minute overtime, the winner shall be decided in a shootout with a coin toss to decide team kicking order.

**Sportsmanship:** Players, coaches and spectators are expected to act in the nature of good sportsmanship at all times.

**Refunds:** In the event that the tournament is cancelled prior to the first game, 80% of the entry fee will be refunded by New Jersey Youth Soccer Tournament guidelines.

**Golf Cart Policy:** You must have a valid New Jersey Drivers License to operate a Golf cart at the “Kick Cancer” 3 v 3 soccer tournament

**\*\* The Tournament Director will have final say on all disputes and interpretations of Tournament Rules. No protests allowed\*\***



Dear Lindsey Nappi,

Attached is the paperwork for sanction approval for a 3 V 3 soccer tournament that will be held May 2, 2009. All proceeds of the event will go towards Phillipsburg's Relay for Life, a nation wide fundraiser sponsored by the American Cancer Society. The Stateliner Soccer Club will sponsor the tournament. Attached are the rules of the tournament, the application to host a tournament or games, and the tournament or games hosting agreement. In talking to Lori, she indicated that there is no application fee.

If you have any questions or need further information, please contact me at 908-763-2192. Thank you in advance for sanctioning this 3 v 3 tournament that will call to a very good cause.

Michael Nardella  
Stateliner Soccer Club

