

Hyundai Fredericton Western New Brunswick Championship

Rules & Regulations – 11th January 2009

1.0 *Competition Name & Divisions*

- 1.1 The name of the competition shall be the Inter-Conference Western New Brunswick Championship (WNBC) matches and Western New Brunswick Championship Cup (WNBC Cup), hereinafter, referred to as the WNBC Cup and/or SPONSORNAME WNBC Cup.
- 1.2 WRSL & SRSL play inter-Conference at least a one (1) full round of matches which shall be divided into the following divisions:

Division 1 (AA)
U12 Boys U14 Boys U16 / 18 Boys
U12 Girls U14 Girls U16 / 18 Girls
- 1.3 At the discretion the WRSL & SRSL LMC, there maybe a possible combined League of two (2) rounds is there are a limited number of teams in each League.
- 1.4 The WNBC shall be open to all teams from clubs from the Western New Brunswick area (South, West and North West Regions) in the Division 1 (AA) / competitive youth. All teams must be duly registered in accordance with Soccer New Brunswick Rules and Regulations.
- 1.5 The WNBC will be played in each of the above divisions providing that there is a minimum of two (2) entries from each Conference in the division.
- 1.6 The WNBC will be operated in accordance with FIFA Laws of the Game and CSA Rules & Regulations unless otherwise stipulated in this document.

2.0 *Management, Vacancies and Duties of the WNBC*

- 2.1 The WRSL League Management Committee (LMC) and the SRSL LMC shall form the WNBC LMC and be responsible for developing and implementing the rules, policies and procedures governing the competition.
- 2.2 The LMC shall consist of a minimum of one (1) representative each from WRSL LMC and SRSL LMC. The WNBC LMC shall have a minimum of three (3) people.
- 2.3 The Chair of the WNBC League Management Committee shall be elected by the members of the WNBC LMC at their first meeting and shall be accountable to the WNBC competition rules, policies and procedures.
- 2.4 Refer to the WRSL or SRSL for further Management Rules and Regulations.
- 2.5 The cost shall be equally shared between the two (2) Conference regional leagues.

3.0 *Entering the WNBC*

- 3.1 Each team must be registered with either the WRSL, SRSL or the North West Region.

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- 3.2 Any fees, fines, bonds and penalties assessed against the team incur from WNBC matches will be automatically deducted from the performance bond held by the regional league they are registered with.
- 3.3 If a team exhausts its performance bond due to fines, it will be required to post a second \$100 bond for teams before resuming WNBC play.

4.0 *Player Registration and Transfer*

- 4.1 Each player must be registered with his/her own club prior to taking part in any WNBC competition.
- 4.2 Refer to the WRSL or SRSL for further Player Registration rules.
- 4.3 Teams that play an ineligible player, as determined by the WNBC League Management Committee, will forfeit the game by a score of 3-0 and all associated points.

5.0 *Scheduling*

- 5.1 Matches played between Conferences shall be played on Saturdays for travel purposes. This does not restrict these teams from playing make-up games on other nights.
- 5.2 WRSL and SRSL shall provide WNBC LMC with the venue their Teams' home games no later than 1st April of the year of the competition.
- 5.3 A draft schedule of all WNBC games will be issued by 21st March of the year of the competition.
- 5.4 The final WNBC schedule will be distributed by 1st April of the year of the competition.
- 5.5 Once the final schedule has been issued, changes will only be made if both teams agree, in writing (email, fax or registered mail), to reschedule the game. Any such requests must be submitted to the WNBC LMC, in writing, at least five (5) days prior to the scheduled game.
- 5.6 Games cancelled due to unplayable field or weather conditions will be rescheduled at a date, time and location agreed upon by both teams. Teams must advise WNBC LMC of the agreed upon date, time and location of the rescheduled game within forty-eight (48) hours after the cancelled game. The rescheduled game must be played prior to the conclusion of the regular season schedule.
- 5.7 Teams failing to appear for a scheduled WNBC game or who are unable to field the minimum number of allowable players (7) within fifteen (15) minutes of the scheduled kickoff time shall:

- ☒ Forfeit the game by a score of 3-0;
- ☒ Pay the applicable game official fees;

6.0 *Home Team Responsibilities*

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- 6.1 Identify the venue and appoint a referee for each home game or depending on the individual regional leagues rules and regulations.
- 6.2 In the event that the municipality closes the venue, notify the Referee Zone Coordinator, referees (if possible), the opposition and WNBC LMC of the closure and notify the away team a minimum of two and half (2.5) hours before scheduled kick-off.
- 6.3 Submit the original game sheet to their regional league within forty-eight (48) hours of the game's conclusion.
- 6.4 Both home and away teams call in the results of the game to the regional league office within thirty (30) minutes following the game.
- 6.5 Provide:
 - ☒ 2 quality match balls;
 - ☒ a quality groomed and lined field;
 - ☒ Nets at least 20 minutes prior to the scheduled kick off.
 - ☒ Corner flags.
- 6.6 Payment of game official fees to the game officials according to the club policies.
- 6.7 The Visiting Team must wear its regular colors and if the colors of the two teams are similar (as judged by the referee), the Home Team must wear alternate colors.

7.0 Game Officials

- 7.1 Refer to either the WRSL or SRSL Rules and Regulations.
- 7.2 Fees for the Western New Brunswick Championship Cup shall be evenly split between WRSL and SRSL.

8.0 Duration of Games & Ball Size

- 8.1 All Inter-Conference matches shall consist of two (2) equal halves of a duration determined by WNBC LMC. There will be no overtime play in regular season WNBC matches.

Age Classification	Duration of Match	Match Format	Ball Size
Under 12	2 x 35 minutes	7 v 7	Size 4
Under 14	2 x 40 minutes	11 v 11	Size 5
Under 16/18	2 x 45 minutes	11 v 11	Size 5

- 8.2 In the Western New Brunswick Championship Cup overtime will be played if needed and need be penalties be taken as per FIFA rules for penalties.

Age Classification	Duration of Overtime	Penalties
Under 12	2 x 5 minutes	5 penalties
Under 14	2 x 10 minutes	5 penalties
Under 16/18	2 x 10 minutes	5 penalties

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9.0 Substitutions

- 9.1 Unlimited substitutions are permitted (including Cup match) during a stoppage of play at the referee's discretion
- 9.2 No substitution shall be allowed for a player who has been ordered from the field of play for misconduct.

10.0 Points and Standings

- 10.1 The winning team of each game will be awarded four (4) points for Inter-Conferences WNBC matches.
- 10.2 In the case of a tie at the end of play, each team will receive two (2) for Inter-Conferences WNBC matches.
- 10.3 In the case of a default, the non-defaulting team will win by a score of 3-0 and be awarded four (4) for Inter-Conference WNBC matches.
- 10.4 At the end of league play, total points obtained from within Conference and Inter-Conference WNBC matches will determine the representative for the Western New Brunswick Championship Cup. The top team from the West Region and South Region shall compete for the Western New Brunswick Championship Cup.

11.0 Code of Conduct

- 11.1 Players, team officials and other persons involved in the WNBC matches are required to conduct themselves in a manner which will bring credit to the competition and the sport as a whole.

12.0 Protests

- 12.1 As determined by individual Conference regional league rules and regulations.

13.0 Discipline

- 13.1 As determined by individual regional league rules and regulations.
- 13.2 A red card (ejection) will result in a minimum of a one (1) game suspension.
- 13.3 Two (2) yellow cards (cautions) in the same game will result in a minimum of a one (1) game suspension.
- 13.4 The accumulation of three (3) yellow cards (cautions) in the same season will result in a minimum of a one (1) game suspension.
- 13.5 The accumulation of cards (yellow or red) WILL carry over to the Western New Brunswick Championship Cup, but not to SNB playoffs.
- 13.6 Serving Suspensions

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- 13.6.1 A suspended player must serve his/her suspension during a scheduled game.
- 13.6.2 The suspended person's name shall be put on the game sheet with suspended written beside it.
- 13.6.3 A suspended player may participate in exhibition games or tournaments while serving a suspension, however, a suspended player may not sit out in an exhibition game or a tournament game in order to serve his/her suspension.
- 13.7 The WRSL and SRSL shall keep a database of all cautions and dismissals and will convey the information regarding suspensions to the WNBC LMC, coaches and referees and be published on the WRS and SRSL website.
- 13.8 All misconduct directed at the game official fall under the jurisdiction of Soccer New Brunswick and will be forwarded to Soccer New Brunswick for action.
- 13.9 The minimum suspensions shall be rendered for misconduct occurring in WNBC games, as ruled by the WNBC LMC and referred to the rules and regulations of the WRSL and SRSL.

14.0 Finances

- 14.1 The WNBC LMC shall oversee the budget and finances for the WNBC Cup.
- 14.2 The Chair of the LMC shall provide a report to the WRSL and SRSL, detailing income and expenses for the account.
- 14.3 All costs related to the WNBC Cup shall be equally split between WRSL and SRSL.