



**Saturday, June 21, 2025
Mazzocchi Park, Fruitvale**

Teams and Officials Information Package

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KOOTENAY SOUTH YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION
MINI SOCCER WORLD CUP FESTIVAL

Saturday, June 25, 2022
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GENERAL:

- Registration booth will open at 0900 prior to the first game and remain open until 1030. Prior to their first game each PARENT **MUST** register their players. Players will be provided a jersey that **MUST** be worn for all games. Please register at least 30 minutes before your first game.
- TO FIND YOUR TEAM: Find your continent- gather and find your team. U10 upper Mazzocchi, U8 Lower Mazzocchi
- In order to promote the diversity and feeling of a “World Cup” organizers have made the extra effort to decorate the perimeter of the field with flags. **The organizers would appreciate assistance from coaches and parents to ensure players and/or other children do not remove these decorations.**
- **Coaches are asked to remind all parents, players and guests that forest area (i.e. creek, bridge, etc) is private property and we have been asked to keep participants out of the area.**
- **Please remind players to not hang on the metal goals as they are not all tied down**
 - <https://globalnews.ca/news/10559076/ontario-law-soccer-net-teen-killed/>
- Concession booth will be open throughout the day. Concession will be selling hot dogs, hamburgers, pop, sport drinks, water, coffee, chips, freezies and candy and other exciting options. Cotton Candy vendor on site.
- **All game times will be entered on Teamsnap- this is a Canada Soccer Festival event and scores CANNOT be RECORDED. Please do not post on Teamsnap- Referees will tally points and provide to the Head Referee who will determine Championship Continent.**

PLAYING RULES:

- All the general rules of soccer will be followed in this event. Corner kicks will be given and taken; kick ins will be used; no offsides will be called; no direct free kicks.
- No jewelry- this includes bracelets
- Goalkeepers can only handle the ball within a reasonable area of the goal. Penalty kicks will be allowed only for a deliberate hand ball that would prevent a goal.
- With a blend of Development and recreation players on teams, FAIR PLAY rules are followed. Please ensure that when you play players, you have a blend of recreation and development in each line during play time. Players are to have equal playing time.
- U10 CO-ED and U10 Girls Competition is **5-a-side**, including the goalkeeper for U10 division playing on Stadio Olimpico, Wankdorf and Wembley fields. These fields will be located at Upper Mazzocchi
- The U8 CO-ED division will play **5-a-side** with no goalkeeper on fields labeled Anfield, Estadio Azteca and Rasunda Stadium. These will all be located at Lower Mazzocchi
- U8 Girls division will play 4-a-side with no goalkeeper
- U10 Girls will play on the same fields as the CO-ED teams rotating through the fields. They will play a 4-a-side format including a goalie
- Goalies must wear a pinnie, which will be available at the field.

- **MATCH TIMES:**
 - U10- will play two 15 minute halves with 2 minute break at half.
 - U8 co-ed- will play two 15 minute halves with 2 minutes break at half
 - U8 Girls team will play two 12 minute halves with 2 minutes break at half.
- Unlimited substitutions are allowed and we ask that you ensure each player plays at least one-half of each game. Substitutions should be made at a stoppage of play. Please keep in mind that continual delays to accommodate substitutions eats into the allotted time you have for your game. Substitutions should only be made with the referee's consent.
- Referees for all games are appointed by KSYSA. Game balls are supplied by Mini World Cup organisers. You may wish to bring a supply of practice balls.
- Be ready to start your game as soon as the preceding game finishes. Each game **MUST** be completed by a specified time; the longer the delay in getting started the shorter your game will be.

LIGHTNING POLICY

- https://www.bcsoccer.net/media/2tye5smr/lightning_policy_en.pdf
- If you can hear thunder, you can get hit by lightning. As soon as you hear thunder, quickly get to a safe location. More people are struck before and after a thunderstorm than during one. Stay inside for 30 minutes after the last rumble of thunder.
- To plan for a safe day, check the weather forecast first. If thunderstorms are forecast, avoid being outdoors at that time or make an alternate plan. Identify safe places and determine how long it will take you to reach them.
 - Watch the skies for developing thunderstorms and listen for thunder. As soon as you hear thunder, quickly get to a safe location. If you can hear thunder, you are in danger of being hit by lightning. More people are struck before and after a thunderstorm than during one.
 - Get to a safe place. A safe location is a fully enclosed building with wiring and plumbing. Sheds, picnic shelters, tents or covered porches do NOT protect you from lightning. If no sturdy building is close by, get into a metal-roofed vehicle and close all the windows.
 - Do not handle electrical equipment, telephones or plumbing. These are all electrical conductors. Using a computer or wired video game system, taking a bath or touching a metal window frame all put you at risk of being struck by lightning. Use battery-operated appliances only.
 - If caught outdoors far from shelter, stay away from tall objects. This includes trees, poles, wires and fences. Take shelter in a low-lying area but be on the alert for possible flooding.

COACHES:

- This festival is for the enjoyment of the players - for them to have fun and enjoy the atmosphere and diversity of a "World Cup". This is not a win at all costs competition. If you happen to be matched against a team that is having an off game **DO NOT** try and run up the score.
- In this festival, **coaches are not permitted to coach on the field** with the players. Coaching from the sidelines is encouraged, but within the spirit of the game.
- Sportsmanship is the name of the game with the Mini World Cup. Unsportsmanlike behaviour will not be tolerated and that player will be removed from play for the game, and possibly the day. Please encourage all players to practice good sportsmanship.
- The referees are BC Soccer Certified Small-Sided Referees. **They are children themselves and also learning.** Unsportsmanlike behaviour towards the referee from Coaches and players will not be tolerated. If a referee

reports challenging behaviours including yelling at, throwing hands up, questioning the referee; to the Mini World Cup organisers, the penalty will be a forfeit for that match.

- A schedule of the games is attached.
- Please ensure your players and their parents are aware of which country they represent. Have fun, paint your face the color of your country, explore some facts about your country. Posters and flags are welcome.
- All games are played at Mazzocchi Park, located at [1695 Columbia Gardens Road](#). Fields are marked
- Teams may practice in the outer parts of the field
- **Please remind those coming to cheer on their players to cheer from the sidelines. Players and coaches only down the touch lines**
- All teams are encouraged to attend the closing ceremony at **2:30 pm**. It is important that we have a colourful finish to the event to show our appreciation to the players and our sponsors. Medals will be handed out at this time
- The closing ceremony takes place on the upper field. Prior to the ceremonies all teams are asked to meet on the lower field and line up for the Parade of Nations.
- **LUNCH-** Players will be provided lunch. When you have a break in games between 1130am-1:00pm please take the popsicle sticks provided to the Player concession for a complimentary lunch of hot dog, drink and some fruit. Allergies have been taken into consideration and the concession has done their best to accommodate

INSTRUCTIONS FOR CLOSING CEREMONIES:

1. The closing ceremonies start at the conclusion of the final games, with the Parade of Nations.
2. Coaches are asked to gather their players and meet on the lower field as soon as the final games are completed.
3. Teams will be asked to line up single file in 3 rows (one row for each colour).
4. Referees will hand out the flags for the coaches to carry.
5. Parents are encouraged to stay near the concession corner of the upper field for photo opportunities.

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EMERGENCY SERVICES

- Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital: 1200 Hospital Bench, Trail, BC | 250-368-3311
- Police / Fire / Ambulance: 9-1-1

RESTAURANTS

- Subway
- Liberty Foods (Deli)
- Burgervale (Pub-Style)
- RUALA Cafe
- Milano Express (Pizza & Pasta)