



East York Soccer Club

BY-LAWS

**ALL MEMBERS, COACHES, PARENTS, PLAYERS ETC -
BY REGISTERING AGREE TO ABIDE BY ALL CLUB RULES AND POLICIES**

1. PLAYERS

Applications will be accepted for players aged four (4) to eighteen (18) from the former Borough of East York and the surrounding areas. Age will be determined as of January 1st of the calendar year. Proof of birth and health card numbers shall be submitted with each player application. Players will be placed on teams and in divisions as decided by the East York Committee and the East York Soccer Executive. Every effort will be made to balance teams as per available information.

2. FIELDS

Playing fields are permitted from the City of Toronto Parks & Recreation, Toronto District School Board and Toronto Catholic District School Board and will be assigned according to need & availability.

3. THE GAME:

The games will be played according to the rules as laid down in the various age divisions and as per the general playing rules. Rules will adhere to FIFA's rules of play as close as possible. Playing time will be as per division rules and/or league schedules. All players must have equal playing time regardless of the player's ability; however, any player who misses three or more consecutive games, forfeits starting the next game and his/her equal playing time, but must still play 30% of that game.

If scores are kept, the game will be forfeited after fifteen- (15) minutes delay if one team cannot field the minimum number of players as per division rules. If the game is playable the times of the two (2) halves will be divided equally over the scheduled time remaining for the game. A forfeited game will result in a 3-0 score being recorded. No player shall be credited with the goal. A game shall be abandoned at the discretion of the referee. The score of the game shall be considered if more than seventy-five (75) percent of the game has been played. If insufficient time has been played the game will be replayed. The referee must report the circumstances of such a game and the decision of the Club is final.

4. SCORING AND STANDINGS

Where standings are kept - points will be awarded; 3 points for a win, 1 point for a tie and 0 points for a loss. Game sheets must be fully completed and handed to the referee by half time (The referee is instructed to refuse improperly filled out game sheets). After the game each coach is to sign the game sheet to verify the score.

In the event of teams being tied in the division standings, the following procedures will be used to declare division winners.

- a) winner of games between tied teams
- b) most wins
- c) goal difference (goals scored minus goals against)
- d) least goals against
- e) If still tied, a game will be played between the two teams under Cup rules to decide a winner (see 5)

5. CUP ROUND (Draw to be done at the coaches meeting)

The Club will decide Cup format. During the preliminary rounds, tied games will stand. Ties in standings will be decided as per (4) a,b,c,d. If still tied, the result will be determined by a coin toss. Any quarter, semi or final games that are tied will be decided by penalty kicks as per FIFA rules.

6. WEATHER

In the event of inclement weather The City of Toronto Parks & Recreation in consultation with the East York Soccer Club will determine if games will be played. If in doubt, go to the field where the referee will make the final decision.

7. REFEREES

Referees will be appointed by the Club as per the various age divisions. Referees shall receive a fee for their services as determined by the Club under whose jurisdiction the game is being played. Failure of a referee to report to a game without giving twenty-four (24) hours notice to the head referee or office administrator shall render the referee liable to a fine equal to the fee for the game. Referees must wear a proper uniform. Failure to do so will render the referee liable to a fine equal to the fee for the game.

8. COACHES:

Each team in the Club will have a coach. Each coach will receive, at the start of the season, the following:

equipment bag	whistle
1 game ball	game sheets
goalie sweater	field permits
goalie gloves	player uniforms
goalie knee pads	player handbooks
cones	list of players and player grading list

The coach is responsible for returning above items to the clubhouse at the end of the season (closing day). The coach is responsible to provide a grading sheet for all players at the conclusion of the season. The coach shall instill in all players the spirit of sportsmanship and fair play. The will to win must not over-rule the objective of molding the player's image and the concept of teamwork. The coach is responsible to the club for his/her actions and the actions of his/her players, team officials and spectators, and is required to take all precautions necessary to prevent spectators from threatening or assaulting officials and players prior, during or at the conclusion of games. Coaches not abiding by Club rules and policies are subject to disciplinary action.

9. PARENTS

Whenever possible, teams and rostered coaches only, should position themselves on the same side of the field, while spectators for both teams should be positioned on the other side of the field. Coaching may only occur from within the team's 'Technical Area' (teams half of the Touch Line). NO ONE is allowed behind the goals. No excessive goal celebration or taunting.

10. UNIFORMS

The Club will provide each player with a team sweater, shorts and socks. This uniform, as provided by the club, must be worn at every game. The goalkeeper must wear a sweater distinct from the rest of his/her team. Shin pads are mandatory. Soft cleated soccer shoes are recommended.

11. COMPLAINTS / PROTESTS

Any complaint or protest must be submitted to the Club in writing, on the Club complaint form (available at the Club office) within 24 hours of the completion of the game.

REFEREE DECISIONS ARE NOT SUBJECT TO PROTEST OR COMPLAINT.

12. DISCIPLINE

Players or officials reported for misconduct shall be dealt with by the Discipline Committee of the East York Soccer Club. Standard Discipline By Review (DBR) will be applied, unless the Discipline Committee deems a Hearing to be warranted. The Discipline Committee shall consist of an elected Chairman (the Vice President of the Club) and any two members of the executive. In all cases of alleged physical assault on game officials the party/parties concerned will stand suspended until the incident has been dealt with by The Scarborough Soccer Association

13. SEASON MANAGEMENT

In the event of inclement weather, poor field conditions, or unforeseen circumstances, the Club shall have the authority to change the format as follows:

- relocate and/or reschedule any game.
- reduce the scheduled duration of any game.
- cancel games which have no bearing in deciding final standings.