

TO: Coaches/ Team Contacts

FROM: Jim Martella  
O.S. Executive Director

Jack Taylor  
State Cup Chair

DATE: March 8, 2008

RE: 2008 State Cup District Play Information

Welcome to the 2008 State Cup! We're glad you will be participating in this outstanding event.

**PLEASE READ THE INFORMATION LISTED BELOW CONCERNING THE PROCEDURE FOR THE 2008 OHIO SOUTH STATE CUP COMPETITION.** Failure to follow the procedures may result in a game being recorded as a forfeit.

There will not be a State Cup representative at matches in the District round. When your team comes to your game, please make sure to have the following with you:

1. your validated league roster and player cards to the match so your opponent, can compare your cards to your roster and to your players if he/she chooses.
2. a copy of your validated league roster to be mailed.
3. [US Youth Soccer / Ohio South State Cup Team/Player/Coach Eligibility Verification Form](#): form completed, signed and dated as to the date of play (get the form at [www.osysa.com](http://www.osysa.com) – click on “State Cup”)
4. [US Youth Soccer Official Referee Report & Red Card Report](#) completed, signed by the referees and dated as to the date of play. (get the report at [www.osysa.com](http://www.osysa.com) – click on “State Cup”)
5. [Official Team Game Roster](#) completed. You will need one of these for each game. Please make multiple copies with players' names and jersey numbers. You can then just fill in the date of play and signatures of the players who are eligible and participating in that particular game. (get the roster at [www.osysa.com](http://www.osysa.com) – click on “State Cup”)
6. [Blue Roster Form](#) completed. This is your Frozen Cup Roster. You will only turn this in once. You should always have a copy with you, however, it will only need to be turned in at your first State Cup game. Have all eligible players on your team sign this form. (get the form at [www.osysa.com](http://www.osysa.com) – click on “State Cup”)

#### **ACTION ITEMS:**

...You have until March 31, 2008, to schedule the day and time of your match with your opponent and to advise your District Administrator. If your game is not confirmed by March 31, the District Administrator will set the day and time of the match. Any team forfeiting any game in State Cup play may be fined. Please make sure you schedule your game by March 31, 2008, to avoid a possible forfeit. The number of applicants in an age group and gender may cause your team to play more than one district game.

**...All district games must be played by Sunday April 20, 2008. Do not wait until the last few days to schedule and play your game! The spring weather can present problems!**

- ...At your district game, items 2,3,4,5 and 6 above are to be completed and given to the center referee before the game.
- ...The winning team must retrieve from the center referee copies of each team's validated league roster, verification form (2), Referee and Red Card Report, Official Team Game Roster (2), and Blue Roster Form (2).
- ...The winning team must forward the copies of these forms for both teams to the district administrator (see below for addresses). If the winning team fails to forward these copies for both teams, the game may be recorded as a forfeit.
- ...The winning team is then to EMAIL the match scores to the District Administrator **within 24 hours** of the completion of the game!.

## 2008 DISTRICT ADMINISTRATORS

District 1- Cincinnati area -	Dianna Jimenez 9800 Union Cemetary Rd Loveland, OH 45140 e-mail: <a href="mailto:osgodpdj14@aol.com">osgodpdj14@aol.com</a>
District II – Dayton area -	Diane Thullen 3518 Apple Grove Beavercreek, Ohio 45430 e-mail: <a href="mailto:dmthullen@woh.rr.com">dmthullen@woh.rr.com</a>
District III – Columbus area -	Jim Sturm 3204 Saybrook Court Dublin, Ohio 43017 E-mail: <a href="mailto:JimSturm@aol.com">JimSturm@aol.com</a>

## REFEREES:

All referee assignments will be made by the district assignors in Columbus, Dayton, or Cincinnati.

### Scheduling a Preliminary State Cup Match

To request referees, you need to submit the scheduled game using the online request form on the State Cup page of the OSYSA website. (LINK) It may be helpful to look at the form before filling out a request to ensure you have all of the required information because the website will not allow the form to be submitted unless all of the required data is provided.

Requests to assign referees to your preliminary State Cup matches should be made at least 1 week before the scheduled match to allow sufficient time for the assignors to assign a qualified crew of officials.

When the form is submitted, a copy of the requested match will be sent to the email address of the individual making the request as well as the appropriate district representatives. You should assume that referees will be assigned to the match unless you are notified, 24 hours in advance, that referees could not be assigned.

## GAME CANCELLATION

If you need to cancel a match, please contact the appropriate district referee assignor by email. If the cancellation is within 24 hours of game time, you must also speak to one of the assignors by phone.

Dayton:	<a href="mailto:DAYSCassignor@ossr.com">DAYSCassignor@ossr.com</a> Bob Wright: (937)438-2180	Mike Goenner: (937)845-3408
Cincinnati:	<a href="mailto:CINSCassignor@ossr.com">CINSCassignor@ossr.com</a> Charlie Keaney: (513) 522-9590	Bob Howadel: (513)941-8539

Columbus: [COLSCassignor@ossrc.com](mailto:COLSCassignor@ossrc.com)

Mike Socolik: (614) 501-6120

Connie Shields: (614)794-1962

## GAME CHANGES

Please do everything in your power NOT to change matches that have already been requested. If absolutely necessary, you can fill out another schedule request and PLEASE indicate in the box at the top of the form, that this is a request to modify a previously scheduled match. You must supply all of the required information with any request to change a previously scheduled match.

If you need to contact the assignors for any other reason, please use the appropriate email address above.

## REMINDERS:

...A player and/or coach who is sent-off from any State Cup, Regional or National game is prohibited from participating in the next State Cup, Regional or National game, whatever game applies depending upon the level of the game in which the send-off occurred.

...If your team had any players or coaches that were given red cards in any State Cup match at any level of play...district, round of 16, quarterfinals, semis, final, Regionals or Nationals...and your team did not advance, those players and coaches must not participate in the next State Cup competition whenever that is for those players or coaches. Example: player X receives a red card in the semis of 2005, your team does not advance, that player must not play the next game of State Cup competition whenever that happens. (2009, 2010, etc.)

...The team listed on the upper line of each bracket is the home team, and is responsible for obtaining the field and referees. Please see the [State Cup Preliminary Games Referee Procedures](#) form on the state cup page for procedures on obtaining referees for your game. If the two coaches agree, the team on lower line can be the home team.

...Each team will pay one-half the cost of officials before each match. The referees will be paid the prevailing rate of the league in which the home team participates. If a team plays more than one match in the district round, OSYSA will reimburse the team its share of the cost of officials for its second match.

**...If you are to play the winner of a pre-play game, contact both teams of the pre-play and schedule a match with both teams so that which ever team advances the game is already scheduled.**  
Coaches and team contacts...don't wait until the last day to play your district game.

...All matches must have a winner and must be played to their entirety. If a game has been started and then is suspended due to weather or other conditions and cannot be played that day, the game will be rescheduled and re-played in its entirety. Listed on the OSYSA web site will be your age group telephone numbers of your opponent for district play. You should have received an email with the password to obtain that information.

...If a game is tied at the end of regulation play two complete overtime periods will be played. The length of each overtime period is determined by the age of the team.

<u>Game times</u>	<u>Overtime</u>
U-11 8v8 2-25min halves	2-10min
U-12 2-30min halves	2-10min
U-13/14 2-35min halves	2-10min
U-15/16 2-40min halves	2-15min
U-17-19 2-45min halves	2-15min

After the completion of the 2 overtime periods, if the match is still tied, the winner shall be determined by FIFA Penalty Kicks.

## PK Procedure

When a team finishes their State Cup match with a greater number of players than their opponents, they shall reduce their number to equate with that of their opponents and inform the referee of the name and number of each player excluded. The team captain has this responsibility. Before the start of kicks from the penalty mark the referee shall ensure that only an equal number of players from each team remain within the center circle and they shall take the kicks

1. The referee chooses the goal at which the kicks will be taken.
2. The referee tosses a coin and the team whose captain wins the toss may choose first kick or second.
3. The referee keeps a record of the kicks being taken.
4. Subject to the conditions explained below, both teams take five kicks.

The teams take the kicks alternately.

Before both teams have taken five kicks, one has scored more goals than the other could score, even if it were to complete its five kicks, no more kicks are taken.

After both teams have taken five kicks, both have scored the same number of goals, or have not scored any goals, kicks continue to be taken in the same order until one team has scored a goal more than the other from the same number of kicks.

5. A goalkeeper who is injured while kicks are being taken from the penalty mark and is unable to continue as goalkeeper may be replaced by a named substitute provided his team has not used the maximum number of substitutes permitted under the competition rules.

6. Only players who are on the field of play at the end of the match, which includes extra time where appropriate, are allowed to take kicks from the penalty mark. The only exception as listed in # 5.

7. Each kick is taken by a different player.

8. All eligible players must take a kick before any player can take a second kick.

9. An eligible player may change places with the goalkeeper at any time when kicks from the penalty mark are being taken.

10. Only the eligible players and match officials are permitted to remain on the field of play when kicks from the penalty mark are being taken

11. All players, except the player taking the kick and the two goalkeepers, must remain within the center circle.

12. The goalkeeper who is the team-mate of the kicker must remain on the field of play, outside the penalty area in which the kicks are being taken, on the goal line where it meets the penalty area boundary line.

13. Unless otherwise stated, the relevant Laws of the Game and International F.A. Board Decisions apply when kicks from the penalty mark are being taken.

...Special note to those teams participating in a Premiere League or any team participating in a League with teams that are domiciled outside of OSYSA boundaries. Teams must compete in a four team OSYSA League or Association and **play** at least a five game schedule against teams domiciled inside OSYSA boundaries. The games must be played by the end of your league's season. No more than 40% of the teams in your age group in the OSYSA sanctioned program can be domiciled in an out of State USYSA Association.

...Teams participating in the Region II National League operated by the Region II may enter and play in the State Cup.

...After the first round of play, there will be no more than sixteen (16) teams remaining in each age group. Teams will be re-seeded and a double blind draw will be held to establish your opponents for the balance of the 2008 Ohio South State Cup competition. The round of sixteen (16) and quarter-final matches will be played May 3 & 4, 2008. The semi-final matches will be played on May 10, and the final on May 11, 2008. The semi finals and finals will be held at the Ankeney Fields in Dayton.

## **APPAREL**

The State Cup t-shirt order form is also on the web site. A minimum order of five (5) shirts is needed for pre-orders. Please include payment with your order. All pre-orders need to be in to the OSYSA Office by April 11, 2008.