

**COWLITZ YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION
CYSA
2010
ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
BY-LAWS
RULES
REGULATIONS**

**2010-2011
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THE COACH

The Coach is the most important person to the kids in the Youth Soccer Program. It is the unselfish giving of your time, knowledge of the game, patience, and understanding that wins the allegiance of your team and their parents. You, like the volunteer referee, must prepare for the most important events each week, the mid-week and Saturday game. The kids are always eager to enter into the spirit of competition and enjoy the fun of participation. As a coach, you can have your finest moment in victory but to be a really great coach you must be able to take defeat with poise, dignity and positive attitude that next week will be different. You are the leader that the kids look to for encouragement, guidance and to set an example, as your behavior is often reflected in the players' performance and duplicated by the parents on the sidelines. An angry word directed towards the referee, the opposing coach or a player could change the whole complexion of the game. In an instant, the spirit of good sportsmanship and friendly competition can turn into a fierce, aggressive battle. Even the parental cheering section can change into a disorganized mob of jeering hecklers. The excitement and suspense of the game then becomes an impatient wait for the final whistle to sound. Soccer, unlike other American sports, has no place for harassment. Nothing that you or spectators can say will influence the outcome of the game, as the referees' decisions on the field are final according to its laws. If as a coach you feel that the referee made an incorrect interpretation of the rules which affected the outcome of your game, you have a right to protest his decision. It is suggested that you notify your Club Commissioner, prior to filing a protest.

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
COWLITZ YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION**

ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of the corporation shall be Cowlitz Youth Soccer Association (hereinafter referred to as the "Corporation").

ARTICLE II. DURATION

The Corporation shall have perpetual existence.

ARTICLE III. REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The address of the registered office of the Corporation shall be 123 Martinell Way, Longview, WA 98632. The name of the registered agent of the Corporation at such address shall be Sarah J. Dahl.

ARTICLE IV. PURPOSES AND POWERS

Section 1. Purposes

The purposes for which this Corporation, a non-profit charitable organization, is formed are exclusively charitable, religious, scientific, or educational and consist of the following:

A. To foster the physical, mental and emotional growth and development of the State of Washington's youth through the sport of soccer at all levels of age and competition.

B. To aid, support, and assist by gifts, contributions or otherwise, other corporations, community chests, funds and foundations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, religious, scientific, or educational purposes, no part of the net earnings of which inures to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual, and no substantial part of the activities of which is carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation.

C. To do any and all lawful activities which may be necessary, useful or desirable for the furtherance, accomplishment, fostering or attainment of the foregoing purposes, either directly or indirectly and either alone or in conjunction or cooperation with others, whether such others be persons or organizations of any kind or nature, such as corporations,

firms, associations, trusts, institutions, foundations, or governmental bureaus, departments, or agencies.

Section 2. Powers

In general, and subject to such limitations and conditions as are or may be prescribed by law, or in the Corporation's Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws, the Corporation shall have all powers which now or hereafter are conferred by law upon a corporation organized for all the purposes set forth above, or are necessary or incidental to the powers so conferred, or are conducive to the attainment of the Corporation's purposes.

ARTICLE V. LIMITATIONS

All of the purposes and powers of the Corporation shall be exercised exclusively for charitable, religious, scientific, and educational purposes in such manner that the Corporation shall qualify as an exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended ("the Code") or any successor provision, and that contributions to the Corporation shall be deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Code or any successor provisions.

No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, except as otherwise permitted to an organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Code or any successor provision. The Corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of (or in opposition to) any candidate for public office.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Articles, the Corporation shall not carry on any activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from federal and state income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Code or any successor provision, or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Code or any successor provision.

No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, its members (if any), directors, officers, or other private persons, except that the Corporation is authorized or empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of its purposes.

Upon the winding up and dissolution of the Corporation, the assets of the Corporation remaining after payment of, or provision for payment of, all debts and liabilities of the Corporation, shall be distributed to an organization or organizations, as determined by the Board of Directors, that are recognized as exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Code or any successor provision, and used exclusively to accomplish the purposes for which this Corporation is organized.

ARTICLE VI. MEMBERS

The qualifications of members, if any, the application process, the property, voting and other rights and privileges of members and their liability for dues and assessments, and the method of collection thereof, shall be set forth in the Bylaws.

ARTICLE VII. DIRECTORS

The number of directors constituting the current Board of Directors of the Corporation is 10 directors. The names and addresses of the persons who serve as the current directors of the Corporation are as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Philip Dahl – President	123 Martinell Way, Longview, WA 98632
Ryan Blonien – 1 st VP	3173 Ammons Dr., Longview, WA 98632
Sarah Dahl – Treasurer	123 Martinell Way, Longview, WA 98632
Nicole Vazquez – VP Operations	806 Bloyd St., Kelso, WA 98626
Dennis Pelton – VP Development	12 Pacific Pl., Longview, WA 98632
Brie Oestreich – VP Competition Rec	PO Box 1044, Kelso, WA 98626
Meredith Ellis – VP Competition Select	PO Box 223, Kelso, WA 98626
Teresa Aloe – Timber Barons Director	526 25 th Ave., Longview, WA 98632
Tom Hutchinson – MAR rep	1509 21 st Ave., Longview, WA 98632
Fabio Aloe – District 5 rep	526 25 th Ave., Longview, WA 98632

The powers, duties, number, qualifications, terms of office, manner of election, time and criteria for removal of directors shall all be as set forth in the Bylaws of the Corporation.

ARTICLE VIII. DIRECTOR LIABILITY LIMITATIONS

A director shall have no liability to the Corporation for monetary damages for conduct as a director, except for acts or omissions that involve intentional misconduct by the director, or a knowing violation of law by a director, where the director votes or assents to a distribution which is unlawful or violates the requirements of these Articles of Incorporation, or for any transaction from which the director will personally receive a benefit in money, property or services to which the director is not legally entitled. If the Washington Nonprofit Corporation Act is hereafter amended to authorize corporate action further eliminating or limiting the personal liability of directors, then the liability of a director shall be deemed eliminated or limited to the full extent so allowed. Any repeal or modification of this Article shall not adversely affect any right or protection of a director existing at the time of such repeal or modification with respect to any act or omission of such director occurring prior to such repeal or modification.

ARTICLE IX. INDEMNIFICATION

Section 1. Right to Indemnification

Each person who was, is threatened to be made, a party to or is otherwise involved (including, without limitation, as a witness) in any actual or threatened action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, by reason of the fact that he or she is or was a director or officer of the Corporation or, while a director or officer, he or she is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, trustee, officer, employee or agent of another corporation or of a partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, including service with respect to employee benefit plans, whether the basis of such proceeding is alleged action in an official capacity as a director, trustee, officer, employee or agent or in any other capacity while serving as a director, trustee, officer, employee or agent, shall be indemnified and held harmless by the Corporation, to the full extent permitted by applicable law as then in effect, against all expense, liability and loss (including attorney's fees, judgments, fines, ERISA excise taxes or penalties and amounts to be paid in settlement) actually and reasonably incurred or suffered by such person in connection therewith, and such indemnification shall continue after such person ceases to be a director, trustee, officer, employee or agent and shall inure to the benefit of his or her heirs, executors and administrators; provided, however, that except as provided in this Article with respect to proceedings seeking solely to enforce rights to indemnification, the Corporation shall indemnify any such person seeking indemnification in connection with a proceeding (or part thereof) initiated by such person only if such proceeding (or part thereof) was authorized by the board of directors of the Corporation. The right to indemnification conferred in this Article shall be a contract right and shall include the right to be paid by the Corporation the expenses incurred in defending any such proceeding in advance of its final disposition; provided, however, that the payment of such expenses in advance of the final disposition of a proceeding shall be made only upon delivery to the Corporation of an undertaking, by or on behalf of such director or officer, to repay all amounts so advanced if it shall ultimately be determined that such director or officer is not entitled to be indemnified under this Article or otherwise.

Section 2. Right of Claimant to Bring Suit

If a claim for which indemnification is required under this Article is not paid in full by the Corporation within sixty (60) days after a written claim has been received by the Corporation, except in the case of a claim for expenses incurred in defending a proceeding in advance of its final disposition, in which case the applicable period shall be twenty (20) days, the claimant may at any time thereafter bring suit against the Corporation to recover the unpaid amount of the claim and, to the extent successful in whole or in part, the claimant shall be entitled to be paid also the expense of prosecuting such claim. The claimant shall be presumed to be entitled to indemnification under this Article upon submission of a written claim (and, in an action brought to enforce a claim for expenses incurred in defending any proceeding in advance of its final disposition, where the required undertaking has been tendered to the Corporation), and thereafter the Corporation shall have the burden of proof to overcome the presumption that the claimant is not so entitled. Neither the failure of the Corporation (including its board of directors, independent legal counsel or its members, if any) to have made a determination prior to the commencement of such action that indemnification of or reimbursement or advancement of expenses of the claimant is proper in the circumstances, nor an actual determination by the Corporation (including its board of directors, independent legal counsel or its members, if any) that the claimant is not entitled to indemnification or to the reimbursement or advancement of expenses shall be a defense to the action or create a presumption that the claimant is not so entitled.

Section 3. Non-exclusivity of Rights

The right to indemnification and the payment of expenses incurred in defending a proceeding in advance of its final disposition conferred in this Article shall not be exclusive of any other right which any person may have or hereafter acquire under any statute, provision of the Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws, agreement, vote of members, if any, or disinterested directors or otherwise.

Section 4. Insurance, Contracts and Funding

The Corporation may maintain insurance at its expense to protect itself and any director, trustee, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation or another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise against any expense, liability or loss, whether or not the Corporation would have the power to indemnify such persons against such expense, liability or loss under the Washington Business Corporation Act, as applied to nonprofit corporations. The Corporation may, without further membership action, enter into contracts with any director or officer of the Corporation in furtherance of the provisions of this Article and may create a trust fund, grant a security interest or use other means (including, without limitation, a letter of credit) to ensure the payment of such amounts as may be necessary to effect indemnification as provided in this Article.

Section 5 Indemnification of Employees and Agents of the Corporation

The Corporation may, by action of its Board of Directors from time to time, provide indemnification and pay expenses in advance of the final disposition of a proceeding to employees and agents of the Corporation with the same scope and effect as the provisions of this Article with respect to the indemnification and advancement of expenses of directors and officers of the Corporation or pursuant to rights granted pursuant to, or provided by, the Washington Business Corporation Act, as applied to nonprofit corporations, or otherwise.

ARTICLE X. BYLAWS

Bylaws of the Corporation may be adopted by a majority of the directors at any regular meeting of the board of directors, or at any special meeting of the board of directors called for that purpose, so long as those Bylaws are not inconsistent with the provisions of these Articles. The authority to make, alter, amend or repeal bylaws is vested in the board of directors and may be exercised at any regular or special meeting of the board of directors.

These Restated Articles of Incorporation were adopted by a meeting of the Members of the Corporation held on June 21, 2010. A quorum was present at the meeting and these Restated Articles of Incorporation received at least two thirds of the votes which Members present or represented by proxy were entitled to cast. These Restated Articles of Incorporation correctly set forth without change the provisions of the Articles of Incorporation as amended. These Restated Articles of Incorporation supersede the original Articles of Incorporation and all amendments thereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has signed these Restated Articles of Incorporation this 21 day of June, 2010.

Philip L. Dahl

President, Cowlitz Youth Soccer Association

**BYLAWS
OF
COWLITZ YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION**

ARTICLE 1. AFFILIATION

Cowlitz Youth Soccer Association (hereinafter CYSA) shall be affiliated with, and shall operate under the authority of, the Washington State Youth Soccer Association (hereinafter WSYSA) as a Member Association as defined and set forth in the WSYSA Bylaws. As a Member Association of WSYSA, CYSA shall act to be in compliance with all bylaws, policies, rules, regulations and requirements applicable to Member Associations.

ARTICLE 2. GEOGRAPHY OF OPERATIONS AND OFFICES

2.1 Geography of Operations.

CYSA shall have as its geography of operations Cowlitz County, Washington.

2.2 Offices.

The principal office of CYSA shall be located at its principal place of business or such other place within the State of Washington as the Board of Directors may designate. The corporation may have such other offices, either within or without the State of Washington, as the Board may designate or as the business of the corporation may require from time to time.

ARTICLE 3. MEMBERSHIP

3.1 General. The membership of CYSA (hereinafter “Members”) shall consist of the following:

- (a) Current players, parents and/or legal guardians of current players – the parent and/or legal guardian of a player who signs the parental authorization/registration forms shall be the voting member for that player,
- (b) Members of the Board of Directors

3.2 Member Rights.

3.2.1 Each Member shall have one vote in any matter for which Members may vote, except that a parent or guardian shall have one vote for each player currently enrolled in the Association, but no additional vote if that parent also qualifies as a Member by virtue of being on the Board of Directors.

3.2.2 A Member must be in good standing, as defined by these bylaws and the CYSA Policies and Procedures, in order to enjoy the rights, privileges and responsibilities of membership in CYSA. A Member who is not in good standing may not vote. No Member in arrears to CYSA or suspended shall have these rights.

3.3 Jurisdiction.

CYSA shall have jurisdiction over its Members.

3.4 Admission as a Member.

Individuals desiring to apply to become Members of CYSA shall follow the requirements set forth by CYSA in its application policies.

3.5 Discontinuation of Membership.

3.5.1. Any violation of the membership requirements of these bylaws by a Member shall require a probationary hearing by the Board of Directors within thirty (30) days, to determine what actions are necessary by the Member to come into compliance with these bylaws and to establish a probationary period of up to ninety (90) days for the Member to take such actions and shall provide for suspension of all membership privileges if not satisfied.

3.5.2. Members failing or refusing to follow the CYSA bylaws, policies, procedures, or rules or attempting to circumvent a decision rendered by the CYSA, or seriously damaging the interest of the CYSA, face suspension or expulsion.

3.5.3. Notification of suspension or expulsion shall be made in writing, with a thirty (30) day notice.

3.5.4. Suspension or expulsion shall require a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the CYSA Board of Directors.

3.6. CYSA and its Members will not discriminate against any individual on the basis of race, color, religion, age, sex, or national origin.

3.7. No Members of CYSA shall engage themselves in a CYSA position or function in an effort to secure an advantage for another organization or for their personal or business gain. Any potential conflict of interest shall be declared in a disclosure statement to the

Board, either voluntarily or upon the request of the Board. If a conflict of interest is evident, the Board shall request the withdrawal of the person or recommend an investigation.

3.8 Annual General Meeting (AGM).

The AGM shall be held for the purpose of reporting on the past year's activities, and electing the Board of Directors.

3.8.1. Date. The AGM shall take place during the **second** quarter of each year. Notification and agenda of this meeting shall be mailed to Members thirty (30) days prior to the AGM date.

3.8.2 Quorum. A quorum shall consist of at least the President or Acting President and one half of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE 5. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

5.1 General Powers.

All authority of CYSA shall be vested in the Board of Directors unless otherwise specified in these Bylaws. The affairs of the corporation shall be managed by the Board of Directors.

5.2 Number.

The Board shall consist of not less than 5 nor more than 11 Directors, the specific number to be set by resolution of the Board. The number of Directors may be changed from time to time by amendment to these Bylaws, provided that no decrease in the number shall have the effect of shortening the term of any incumbent Director.

5.3 Qualifications.

Directors shall have such qualifications as the Board may prescribe by resolution or amendment to these Bylaws.

5.4 Election of Directors.

5.4.1 Nominations by the Board.

5.4.1.1 The Nominating Committee shall prepare a list of candidates to fill the open positions at the upcoming election. The list shall include at least one candidate for each open position. Nominations shall be based on criteria prescribed by the Board. The Nominating Committee shall notify nominees at least sixty days prior to the AGM. Nominees must submit a nomination packet, which includes a resume, a statement of function and written acceptance of their nomination to CYSA offices at least 45 days prior to the AGM.

5.4.1.2 The Nominating Committee shall publish the list and nomination packets of candidates for election at least 45 days before the AGM.

5.4.2 Nominations by the Membership

5.4.2.1 Members may propose alternate names of candidates for open positions on the Board. Nominees made by Members shall meet the criteria prescribed by the Board. Any Member wishing to propose a candidate for an open position shall provide the Nominating Committee with a nomination proposal that includes the nominee's name, a statement of the nominee's criteria, as well as the nominee's resume, statement of function and written acceptance of nomination. The nomination proposal shall be submitted no later than 30 days prior to the AGM.

5.4.2.2 The Nominating Committee shall review the nomination proposal and, if the proposal packet is complete, shall publish the name of the candidate no later than 20 days before the AGM.

5.4.2.3 There shall be no nominations from the floor at the AGM.

5.4.3 Elections

5.4.3.1 Elections of Directors shall be held at the AGM.

5.4.3.2 Each Member shall receive a ballot with the names of the candidates. Each Member may cast no more than one vote for any one candidate. The nominees with the most votes shall be considered elected up to the number of positions available.

5.4.3.3 If the Board of Directors determines that a specific skill set needed on the Board was not filled by the nominees elected, the Board, in the best interest of the organization, may select one of the unelected candidates who possess these requisite skills to serve on the Board. This placement shall create an additional Board seat for a one year term.

5.5 Term of Office.

Unless a Director dies, resigns or is removed, he or she shall hold office for a term of **3** years or until his or her successor is elected, whichever is later. A Director may hold no more than two consecutive terms without vacating office for at least one year. Terms shall be staggered so that approximately one third of the positions come up for election each year.

5.6 Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the Board shall be held immediately following the AGM each year for the purposes of electing officers and transacting such business as may properly come before the meeting. If the annual meeting is not held on the date designated therefore, the Board shall cause the meeting to be held as soon thereafter as may be convenient.

5.7 Regular Meetings.

By resolution, the Board may specify the date, time and place for the holding of regular meetings without other notice than such resolution.

5.8 Special Meetings.

Special meetings of the Board or any committee designated and appointed by the Board may be called by or at the written request of the President or any two Directors, or, in the case of a committee meeting, by the chairman of the committee. The person or persons authorized to call special meetings may fix any place either within or without the State of Washington as the place for holding any special Board or committee meeting called by them.

5.9 Meetings by Telephone.

Members of the Board or any committee designated by the Board may participate in a meeting of such Board or committee by means of a conference telephone or similar communications equipment by means of which all persons participating in the meeting can hear each other at the same time. Participation by such means shall constitute presence in person at a meeting.

5.10 Place of Meetings.

All meetings shall be held at the principal office of the corporation or at such other place within or without the State of Washington designated by the Board, by any persons entitled to call a meeting or by a waiver of notice signed by all Directors.

5.11 Notice of Special Meetings.

Notice of special Board or committee meetings shall be given to a Director in writing or by personal communication with the Director not less than ten days before the meeting. Notices in writing may be delivered or mailed to the Director at his or her address shown on the records of the corporation. Neither the business to be transacted at, nor the purpose of any special meeting need be specified in the notice of such meeting. If notice is delivered by mail, the notice shall be deemed effective when deposited in the official government mail properly addressed with postage thereon prepaid.

5.12 Waiver of Notice.

5.12.1 In Writing. Whenever any notice is required to be given to any Director under the provisions of these Bylaws, the Articles of Incorporation or applicable Washington law, a waiver thereof in writing, signed by the person or persons entitled to such notice, whether before or after the time stated therein, shall be deemed equivalent to the giving of such notice. Neither the business to be transacted at, nor the purpose of, any regular or special meeting of the Board need be specified in the waiver of notice of such meeting.

5.12.2 By Attendance. The attendance of a Director at a meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting, except where a Director attends a

meeting for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened.

5.13 Quorum.

A majority of the number of Directors in office shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any Board meeting. If a quorum is not present at a meeting, a majority of the Directors present may adjourn the meeting from time to time without further notice.

5.14 Manner of Acting.

The act of the majority of the Directors present at a meeting at which there is a quorum shall be the act of the Board, unless the vote of a greater number is required by these Bylaws, the Articles of Incorporation or applicable Washington law.

5.15 Presumption of Assent.

A Director of the corporation present at a Board meeting at which action on any corporate matter is taken shall be presumed to have assented to the action taken unless his or her dissent or abstention is entered in the minutes of the meeting, or unless such Director files a written dissent or abstention to such action with the person acting as secretary of the meeting before the adjournment thereof, or forwards such dissent or abstention by registered mail to the Secretary of the corporation immediately after the adjournment of the meeting. Such right to dissent or abstain shall not apply to a Director who voted in favor of such action.

5.16 Action by Board Without a Meeting.

Any action which could be taken at a meeting of the Board may be taken without a meeting if a written consent setting forth the action so taken is signed by each of the Directors. Such written consents may be signed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which, taken together, shall constitute one and the same document. Any such written consent shall be inserted in the minute book as if it were the minutes of a Board meeting.

5.17 Resignation.

Any Director may resign at any time by delivering written notice to the President or the Secretary at the registered office of the corporation, or by giving oral or written notice at any meeting of the Directors. Any such resignation shall take effect at the time specified therein, or if the time is not specified, upon delivery thereof and, unless otherwise specified therein, the acceptance of such resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective.

5.18 Removal.

At a meeting of the Board called expressly for that purpose, one or more Directors may be removed from office, with or without cause, by two-thirds of the votes cast by Directors then in office.

5.19 Vacancies.

A vacancy in the position of Director may be filled by the affirmative vote of a majority of the remaining Directors though less than a quorum of the Board. A Director who fills a vacancy shall serve for the unexpired term of his or her predecessor in office.

5.20 Compensation.

The Directors shall receive no compensation for their services as Directors but may receive reimbursement for expenditures incurred on behalf of the corporation.

5.21 Conflict of Interest.

The Board of Directors shall adopt the WSYSA Conflict of Interest Policy that comports with applicable state and federal requirements. Each Director shall, on an annual basis, sign a Conflict of Interest Disclosure Form to disclose any actual or potential conflicts that Director may have.

5.22 Code of Ethics.

The Board of Directors shall adopt the WSYSA Code of Ethics that comports with applicable state and federal requirements. Each Director shall, on an annual basis, sign a Code of Ethics Statement in which he or she agrees to act according to the Code of Ethics.

ARTICLE 6. OFFICERS

6.1 Number and Qualifications.

The officers of the corporation shall be a President, a Vice President, a Secretary and a Treasurer, each of whom shall be elected by the Board. Other officers and assistant officers may be elected or appointed by the Board, such officers and assistant officers to hold office for such period, have such authority and perform such duties as are provided in these Bylaws or as may be provided by resolution of the Board. Any officer may be assigned by the Board any additional title that the Board deems appropriate. Any two or more offices may be held by the same person, except the offices of President and Secretary.

6.2 Election and Term of Office.

The officers of the corporation shall be elected each year by the Board at the annual meeting of the Board. Unless an officer dies, resigns, or is removed from office, he or she shall hold office until the next annual meeting of the Board or until his or her successor is elected, whichever comes later.

6.3 Resignation.

Any officer may resign at any time by delivering written notice to the President, the Vice President, the Secretary or the Board, or by giving oral or written notice at any meeting of the Board. Any such resignation shall take effect at the time specified therein, or if the time is not specified, upon delivery thereof and, unless otherwise specified therein, the acceptance of such resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective.

6.4 Removal.

Any officer or agent elected or appointed by the Board may be removed from office by the Board whenever in its judgment the best interests of the corporation would be served thereby, but such removal shall be without prejudice to the contract rights, if any, of the person so removed.

6.5 Vacancies.

A vacancy in any office created by the death, resignation, removal, disqualification, creation of a new office or any other cause may be filled by the Board for the unexpired portion of the term or for a new term established by the Board.

6.6 President.

The President shall, subject to the Board's control, supervise and control all of the assets, business and affairs of the corporation. The President shall preside over meetings of the Board. The President may sign deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts, or other instruments, except when the signing and execution thereof have been expressly delegated by the Board or by these Bylaws to some other officer or in some other manner. In general, the President shall perform all duties incident to the office of President and such other duties as are assigned to him or her by the Board from time to time.

6.7 Vice President.

In the event of the death of the President or his or her inability to act, the Vice President shall perform the duties of the President, except as may be limited by resolution of the Board, with all the powers of and subject to all the restrictions upon the President. The Vice President shall have, to the extent authorized by the President or the Board, the same powers as the President to sign deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts or other instruments. The Vice President shall perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to them by the President or the Board.

6.8 Secretary.

The Secretary shall: (a) keep the minutes of the meetings of the Board, and minutes which may be maintained by committees of the Board; (b) see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these Bylaws or as required by law; (c) be custodian of the corporate records of the corporation; (d) keep records of the post office address of each Director and each officer; (e) sign with the President, or other officer authorized by the President or the Board, deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts, or other instruments; and (f) in general perform all duties incident to the office of Secretary and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him or her by the President or the Board.

6.9 Treasurer.

If requested by the Board, the Treasurer shall give a bond for the faithful discharge of his or her duties in such amount and with such surety or sureties as the Board may determine.

The Treasurer shall have charge and custody of and be responsible for all funds and securities of the corporation; receive and give receipts for moneys due and payable to the corporation from any source whatsoever, and deposit all such moneys in the name of the corporation in banks, trust companies or other depositories selected in accordance with the provisions of these Bylaws; sign with the President, or other officer authorized by the President or the Board, deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts, or other instruments; and in general perform all of the duties incident to the office of Treasurer and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him or her by the President or the Board.

ARTICLE 7. COMMITTEES

7.1 Standing or Temporary Committees.

The Board, by resolution adopted by a majority of the Directors in office, may designate and appoint one or more standing or temporary committees, each of which shall consist of two or more Directors. Such committees shall be chaired by a Director. Such committees may have other members that are not Directors. Such committees shall have and exercise the authority of the Directors in the management of the corporation as delegated by the Board, subject to such limitations as may be prescribed by the Board; except that no committee shall have the authority to: (a) amend, alter or repeal these Bylaws; (b) elect, appoint or remove any member of any other committee or any Director or officer of the corporation; (c) amend the Articles of Incorporation; (d) adopt a plan of merger or consolidation with another corporation; (e) authorize the sale, lease or exchange of all or substantially all of the property and assets of the corporation not in the ordinary course of business; (f) authorize the voluntary dissolution of the corporation or revoke proceedings therefore; (g) adopt a plan for the distribution of the assets of the corporation; or (h) amend, alter or repeal any resolution of the Board which by its terms provides that it shall not be amended, altered or repealed by a committee. The designation and appointment of any such committee and the delegation thereto of authority shall not operate to relieve the Board or any individual Director of any responsibility imposed upon it, him or her by law.

7.2 Standing Committees.

7.2.1 The Board shall establish the following governance committees as standing committees:

- (a) Finance Committee
- (b) Nominating Committee
- (c) Audit Committee
- (d) Strategic Planning Committee
- (e) Fundraising Committee

7.2.2 The Board shall establish the following operating committees as standing committees:

- (a) Oversight Committee. The Board shall establish a committee to oversee and manage the game of soccer and related activities. The Oversight Committee

has the authority to establish its own standing committees as set forth in the operating procedures.

7.3 Quorum; Manner of Acting.

A majority of the number of Committee Members composing any committee shall constitute a quorum as long as at least one Director is present. The act of a majority of the members of a committee present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the committee.

7.4 Resignation.

Any member of any committee may resign at any time by delivering written notice thereof to the President, the Secretary or the chairperson of such committee, or by giving oral or written notice at any meeting of such committee. Any such resignation shall take effect at the time specified therein, or if the time is not specified, upon delivery thereof and, unless otherwise specified there, the acceptance of such resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective.

7.5 Removal of Committee Member.

The Board, by resolution adopted by a majority of the Directors in office, may remove from office any member of any committee elected or appointed by it.

ARTICLE 8. ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

8.1 Books and Records.

The corporation shall keep at its principal or registered office copies of its current Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws; correct and adequate records of accounts and finances; minutes of the proceedings of the Board, and any minutes which may be maintained by committees of the Board; records of the name and address of each Director, and each officer; and such other records as may be necessary or advisable.

8.2 Fiscal Year.

The fiscal year of the CYSA shall begin at 12:00 a.m. on September 1, and end at 11:59 p.m. on August 31, of the following year.

8.3 Annual Review or Audit.

The Board shall retain an independent accounting firm to review or audit financial statements for each fiscal year, and the Board shall review the results of such audit or review as soon as practical, but no later than 180 days following the end of the fiscal year.

8.4 Rules of Procedure.

The rules of procedure at meetings of the Board, the Council and committees of the Board shall be rules contained in Roberts' Rules of Order on Parliamentary Procedure, newly revised, so far as applicable and when not inconsistent with these Bylaws, the Articles of Incorporation or any resolution of the Board.

8.5 Insurance.

CYSA shall provide Directors and Officers Liability Insurance covering Directors, Officers, and Committee Chairs for performing acts and responsibilities directly related to CYSA.

ARTICLE 9. AMENDMENTS

These Bylaws may be altered, amended, or repealed and new Bylaws may be adopted by the vote of two thirds of the number of Directors in office. Any proposed changes to the Bylaws shall be published to the members of the Council at least 30 days prior to such a vote for comment.

The foregoing Bylaws were adopted by the Board of Directors and the Council on _____ June 21 _____, 2010 ____.

Secretary

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It is the intent of the CYSA to provide young people a means for recreation and enjoyment, and an opportunity to achieve excellence through participation in the game of soccer. The principles of governing competition (among it's members) shall include development of physical fitness, mental alertness, leadership and good sportsmanship. All members shall recognize and adhere to the principle that the manner of play outweighs the victory. It shall be the responsibility of the coaches to encourage courtesy, sportsmanlike conduct and respect for authority by players, parents and spectators.

COWLITZ YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION RULES AND REGULATIONS

Introduction

The CYSA plays and operates according the rules of the Federation Internationale de Football Association (FIFA), the United States Youth Soccer Association (USYSA), and the Washington State Youth Soccer Association (WSYSA). In short, FIFA administers and legislates on the international level, USYSA on the national level, and WSYSA on the state and local level. WSYSA'S general procedures and rules of competition appear in the WSYSA Operating Procedure Manual. CYSA rules of competition will conform to WSYSA rules of competition.

SECTION 1: GENERAL RULES

Rule 1 – Seasonal Year

The seasonal year of CYSA shall be September 1 to August 31.

Rule 2 – Classification of Team Formation

Teams shall be formed according to equal age grouping as follows, for all competition unless otherwise approved by the Board of Directors.

Age groupings on teams for both boys and girls for 2010-2011 season are:

Under 19 years of age	August 1, 1991	July 31, 1992
Under 18 years of age	August 1, 1992	July 31, 1993
Under 17 years of age	August 1, 1993	July 31, 1994
Under 16 years of age	August 1, 1994	July 31, 1995
Under 15 years of age	August 1, 1995	July 31, 1996
Under 14 years of age	August 1, 1996	July 31, 1997
Under 13 years of age	August 1, 1997	July 31, 1998
Under 12 years of age	August 1, 1998	July 31, 1999
Under 11 years of age	August 1, 1999	July 31, 2000
Under 10 years of age	August 1, 2000	July 31, 2001
Under 9 years of age	August 1, 2001	July 31, 2002
Under 8 years of age	August 1, 2002	July 31, 2003
Under 7 years of age	August 1, 2003	July 31, 2004
Under 6 years of age	August 1, 2004	July 31, 2005

Only officially and properly registered players may participate in a game scheduled by CYSA. Infringement of this rule is subject to disciplinary review and may result in forfeiture of a game by the team playing unregistered player or players.

Rule 3 – Player and Team Registration

- a) Member clubs shall have a registrar responsible for proper registration of players within the club, including team affiliation and obtaining proof of age of players. Each child who wants to play in CYSA must supply a photocopy of valid birth certificate, passport, or a certificate issued by the INS.
- b) Each club shall submit teams, in writing, to the CYSA on a date so determined by the CYSA.
- c) Any player dropping out or being added to a team must be brought to the attention of the association for insurance purposes.
- d) No team shall have more than eighteen (18) players. Teams are permitted to carry from eleven to eighteen players for local league play

in order to play. (See Mod/Micro rule #1 for U6 to U11 recommendations).

- e) Washington State rules now require all soccer players from U6 to U19 to have completed player cards, which includes a photo, player's signature, and lamination. For U6 to U9, coaches are required to review the other team's player cards prior to the start of the game. For U10 and up, coaches are required to provide their team's completed cards, along with their Bonzi-generated roster, to the referee for their review prior to the start of the game.
- f) Divisions will be divided by sex whenever possible.

Rule 4 – Uniforms

- a) Each team must field players wearing a basic uniform to include:
 - 1) Shorts
 - 2) Top of Basic Team Color
 - 3) Shoes (Soccer shoes as deemed safe by the referee)
 - 4) Socks
 - 5) Shin Guards under socks (Mandatory)
- b) Home team shall be responsible for wearing contrasting color.
- c) When the weather is inclement, players may wear tight fitting tights or sweatpants tucking into socks, shirt underneath their uniform, gloves, and stocking caps at the discretion of the referee.

SECTION 2: RULES OF COMPETITION

Rule 1 – Game Duration and Ball Size

Age Group	Game Duration	Ball Size	Circumference	Weight
Under 19	Two 45 Min. Halves	#5	27" - 28"	14 - 16 oz.
Under 18	Two 45 Min. Halves	#5	27" - 28"	14 - 16 oz.
Under 17	Two 45 Min. Halves	#5	27" - 28"	14 - 16 oz.
Under 16	Two 40 Min. Halves	#5	27" - 28"	14 - 16 oz.
Under 15	Two 40 Min. Halves	#5	27" - 28"	14 - 16 oz.
Under 14	Two 35 Min. Halves	#5	27" - 28"	14 - 16 oz.
Under 13	Two 35 Min. Halves	#5	27" - 28"	14 - 16 oz.
Under 12	Two 30 Min. Halves	#4	25" - 26"	11 - 13 oz.
Under 11	Two 30 Min. Halves	#4	25" - 26"	11 - 13 oz.
Under 10	Two 28 Min. Halves	#4	25" - 26"	11 - 13 oz.
Under 9	Two 25 Min. Halves	#4	25" - 26"	11 - 13 oz.
	Time will stop at 5 minute intervals			
Under 8	Two 24 Min. Halves	#3	23" - 24"	8 - 10 oz.
	Time will stop at 4 minute intervals			
Under 7	Two 18 Min. Halves	#3	23" - 24"	8 - 10 oz.
	Time will stop at 3 minute intervals			
Under 6	Two 18 Min. Halves	#3	23" - 24"	8 - 10 oz.
	Time will stop at 3 minute intervals			

Rule 2 – Scorekeeping and Team Standings U-12 and above

- a) Conference and/or division standings shall be based on the award of two (2) points for a win, one (1) point for a tie and zero (0) points for a loss.
- b) The Association Statistician will be the official keeper of the Association standings. He or she shall publish, on a periodic basis, the official results of the league divisional standings.
- c) It shall be the responsibility of both team coaches to call the score into the Associations' statistician within seventy-two hours in order to be tabulated in the official standings. Corrections to published standings will only be accepted within 72 hours of publication.

Rule 3 – Cancellations, Rescheduling and Forfeiture

- a) All games should be played on the day and time scheduled. To declare a field unplayable due to adverse weather conditions will be the referee's prerogative only. He will notify the CYSA Vice-President of Competition upon a cancellation.
- b) Requests for rescheduling a game must be directed to the Vice-President of Competition and the Statistician by the coach initiating the change.
- c) If both teams are properly notified of their scheduled match, and one team fails to show up, following a fifteen (15) minute grace period, the game will be forfeited to the showing team with a score of 1-0. If both teams fail to show, both teams will forfeit by a loss of 1-0.
- d) Any delay of a game over fifteen (15) minutes man-made or by the "Act of God", the game shall be canceled and rescheduled by the Vice-President of Competition.
- e) Failure of a scheduled referee to show up will not be cause for game cancellation. A substitute referee shall be chosen upon mutual agreement of both coaches, and all decisions of this chosen official will be final. The visiting team shall have the first option of supplying a substitute referee. If mutual agreement cannot be reached, the game will be rescheduled. The visiting team has the option of hosting the rescheduled game.
- f) In the event one coach knows, in advance, that he cannot field enough players for a scheduled game, that coach should notify the other coach and reach a mutual agreement about rescheduling, the home coach shall notify the referee assignor of the cancellation. This notification must take place at least forty-eight (48) hours in advance of the game or the game shall be forfeited. When a game is rescheduled within seven (7) days of its scheduled time, it will be the responsibility of the home coach to arrange for the referee. (Rule 3-B applies.)
- g) For each assigned game, funding is available to pay for a referee team only once. Should coaches wish to reschedule their game, they must contact the Referee Assignor and also the Club President a minimum of 24 hours prior to the originally assigned game time. Referees who are not provided sufficient notice of rescheduled games, and arrive on the field as assigned, will be paid. Consequently, for coaches who did not provide sufficient rescheduling notification, funding will not be available for reassigning referees to a rescheduled game. Coaches will be held personally responsible to pay the referee team to officiate the rescheduled game.

Rule 4 – Protests

- a) The Disciplinary Committee shall meet:
 - 1) As provided in the Articles of the by-laws
 - a) To rule on questions of eligibility
 - b) To rule on protests
- b) Procedures for filing a protest:

Only a written protest will be accepted. It shall contain in the particulars of the referee's improper procedure in the administration of a specifically stated the rule or rules of the game. A Coach or his designee must submit the original to the First Vice-President and copies of the protest to the opposing coach and referee involved, so that all parties have the protest in their hands within seventy-two (72) hours after the scheduled start of the match. The original must be accompanied by a \$10.00 protest fee, which will be refunded immediately if the protest is upheld. Failure to comply exactly with these procedures shall automatically void the protest.
- c) Procedure of handling a protest:

Disciplinary Committee will meet on or before the 6th day following the match to which a protest relates. Coaches or designated representatives of the teams involved in a protest, as well as game officials, shall be invited to the Disciplinary Committee Meeting.

The Order of Business shall be:

 - 1) Reading of the protest by the Committee Chairman.
 - 2) Statement of representative of the protesting team.
 - 3) Statement of a representative of the opposing team.
 - 4) Statement by the game official.
 - 5) Questioning by the Disciplinary Committee, if desired.
 - 6) Ruling on the protest by the Committee. Any refund due will be returned at this time.
 - 7) Directing the proper association official as to the appropriate action as a result of the ruling, i.e. schedule a re-match, delete the scores of the protested game from the association records.
 - 8) Informing the coaches involved of the ruling and action. In dealing with any protest, the Disciplinary Committee may take into consideration the possession of any knowledge by the protesting team which, if properly used, might have alleviated the protest.
- d) The Disciplinary committee shall not entertain or uphold any protest involving properly decided forfeitures. The Disciplinary Committee shall not hear or consider any evidence or testimony not included in the original written protest.
- e) Disciplinary Committee shall consist of the 1st VP as chairman, the Referee Association President or a representative from the referee association, and 1-3 other board members or involved club presidents, to a maximum of 5 persons total.

Rule 5 – Special Activities

- a) No club may schedule a jamboree or other related activity during the soccer season without the approval of CYSA.
- b) The Executive Board shall have final decision in who shall represent CYSA in post-season play or special events.

SECTION 3: RULES OF PLAY

Rule 1 – Officiating

- a) All teams will provide their club referee coordinator with the name of an active referee, who has successfully completed a USSF (U.S. Soccer Federation) clinic that will cover a minimum number of games equal to their number of home games. Failure to comply with this rule could result in no referee being schedule for that team's home games.
- b) Referees shall be assigned by each club to officiate each game played on the club's designated field. The referee will have the authority as defined in the "Laws of the Game" (FIFA) and any additional authority assigned to him by CYSA.
- c) If assistant referees are not assigned by the club, assistance referees will be provided by the teams playing and shall be chosen by mutual agreement of both coaches, subject to final approval by the referee.
- d) Referees shall report all coaches who violate the rules and all coaches and players who are red or yellow carded to the Vice-President of Development. Coaches and players that have been red carded and players that have three (3) yellow cards will be reported to the V.P. of Development. The V.P. of Development shall notify the referee assignors of the respective clubs to make sure that the Player or Coach does not attend their next game. The referee will, in turn, inform the offender's club president and the Association Disciplinary Committee. The referee will prepare and deliver to the Vice-President of Development a misconduct report for all players and coaches that have been ejected. The report must be filed within the week.
- e) Referees shall be of legal voting age (18) or be USSF certified (or have taken the referee clinic and passed the USSF test within the previous 12 months) and remain USSF certified. Referees must be at least two (2) years older than the age group they are refereeing.
- f) A game may not be refereed by the coach of one of the teams or a member of the immediate family of one of the players unless mutually agreed in advance by both teams.

Rule 2 – Coaches

- a) For all Under-12 and above coaches it is recommended to have completed the WSYSA "E" clinic before the current season.
- b) All persons planning to coach in the mod divisions will have completed a mod clinic, or an "F" clinic, before the first game of the season. A mod clinic will be required of the coach every other season. There will be a minimum of two clinics offered each year.

- c) It is the responsibility of the coach to take all precautions necessary before, during or after a game to protect the public and private property on which the game takes place.
- d) Each team must have a coach or designate a responsible adult at the field through the entire game. The team failing to do so, will forfeit the game.
- e) Coaches are responsible for the conduct of their players and parents, either on or off the field. All coaches shall ensure that players on their teams who are not on the playing field, and their parents as well, shall stay at least two (2) yards behind the touchlines. No coach, player, or spectator will be allowed behind the goal line during the game.
- f) It shall be the responsibility of the coaches or manager to furnish a game ball to the satisfaction of the officiating referee.
- g) Coaching shall be done by only two (2) persons from each team from the same side of the field. The coaches cannot be closer than eighteen (18) yards from the corner of the field. Coaching is understood as giving advice and directions to one's own team on points of strategy and position. The tone of voice is to be informative and no coach is to make derogatory gestures or remarks to the referees, players, or spectators.
- h) A coach will be suspended from coaching his team by the referee when given a red card. An assistant coach or responsible adult is permitted to continue coaching the team for the duration of the game.
 - 1) A coach given a red card is suspended from coaching and is ejected from the area in which the game is being played. He must be completely out of sight and sound of the playing field.
 - 2) A coach given a red card shall be suspended from coaching in the next regularly scheduled league game, but may attend the game as a non vocal spectator and he or she must inform the referee of his or her status before the game or face a second suspension for the next regularly scheduled league game.
 - 3) If a coach receives a second red card in season play, he shall be suspended from the league until reinstated by the Disciplinary Committee.
 - 4) A coach who is given a red card may appeal to the Disciplinary Committee within seventy-two (72) hours as per Article X, Section 2, Paragraph B in the CYSA by-laws.
 - 5) A coach may be suspended from coaching his team by a ruling of the Disciplinary Committee.
 - a) A coach suspended by the Disciplinary Committee may request a hearing in regards to his suspension, such hearing to be conducted by the Executive Board.
 - 6) Grounds for suspending a coach shall be, but are not limited to, the following:
 - a) Making derogatory remarks or gestures to referees, other coaches, players or spectators.
 - b) Use of profanity.
 - c) Incite, in any manner, disruptive behavior of any kind.
 - d) Violation of any rules of competition.

- e) Failure to comply with Articles, Constitution and by-laws and Rules and Regulations of CYSA.

Rule 3 – Number of Players Under-12 and Above

- a) Games can be played with a minimum of seven (7) players. In the event a team cannot field seven (7) registered players within fifteen (15) minutes of the official starting time, the team shall forfeit the game.
- b) If a game is started and injuries cause one team to lose players below the seven player minimum, that game shall be rescheduled.
- c) If a team loses players below the seven minimum because of penalties, that team shall forfeit the game.

Rule 4 – Substitutions

Substitutions may be made, with the consent of the referee.

- a) On any dead ball.
- b) Prior to a goal kick, in either team's favor.
- c) After a goal by either team.
- d) After an injury, when the referee stops play, by either team.
- e) At half-time.
- f) When the referee stops play to caution a player, only the cautioned player may be substituted prior to the restart of the game

The number of substitutions shall be unlimited unless a competition superseding the jurisdiction of this Association determines otherwise; special competitions may be more restrictive.

Rule 5 – Suspension of Players

- a) A player shall be cautioned and given a yellow card if:
 - 1) He re-enters or enters the field of play to join or rejoin his team after the game has commenced, or leaves the field of play during the progress of the game (except through accident) without, in either case, first having received a signal from the referee showing him that he may do so. If the referee stops the game to administer the caution, the game shall be restarted by an indirect free kick taken by a player of the opposing team from the place where the ball was when the referee stopped the game, unless the offense is committed by a player in his opponent's goal area, in which case, the free kick shall be taken from a point anywhere within that half of the goal area in which the offense occurred. If, however, the offending player has committed a more serious offense he shall be penalized according to that section of the law he infringed as defined in "The Laws of the Game" (FIFA).
 - 2) Persistently infringes the laws of the game.
 - 3) He shows by word or action, dissent from any decision given by the referee.
 - 4) He is guilty of unsporting behavior.
 - 5) A player must leave the field after receiving a yellow card.

- b) A player given a red card shall be ejected and suspended from play in the next regularly scheduled league game. A red card shall be given if:
 - 1) In the opinion of the referee he is guilty of violent conduct or serious foul play.
 - 2) He uses foul, insulting or abusive language.
 - 3) Persists in misconduct after having received a caution.
- c) All red cards received will be subject to immediate review and additional penalties assessed as necessary.
- d) If a player received a second red card in season play, he shall be suspended from the league until reinstated by Disciplinary Committee.
- e) Any player given three (3) yellow cards during the CYSA season, will be given a one (1) game suspension from the next regularly scheduled game.

Rule 6 – Player Time in Games

Every player that is suited up will play approximately one-half (1/2) of each half of the game except for disciplinary reason, under the guidance of member club.

Rule 7 – Tie Game

Tie games will not be played off during the regular season.

Rule 8 – Charging the Goalkeeper

In all under 11 divisions, no player shall make physical contact with the goalkeeper or attempt to play the ball once the goalkeeper has control of the ball in any manner whatsoever within the goal/penalty area. In all divisions under 12 and over, no player shall make physical contact with the goalkeeper or harass or attempt to play the ball once the goalkeeper has control of the ball in any manner whatsoever within the goal area. Included in having control of the ball, is if the goalkeeper holds the ball on the ground with one or both hands. For infringements of this rule, an indirect free kick shall be awarded to the defending team.

Rule 9 – Safety

Any material, at the discretion of the referee, considered to be dangerous will not be worn during the game. Kneepads may be worn by the goalie only, or for the protection of an injured player. Casts are not permitted.

Rule 10 – Spectators

Spectators may be asked by the referee to leave the area of the playing field because of their conduct.

If a spectator refuses to leave the area of the playing field and remains in sight of the field, this action may result in the coach of the team which the spectator is supporting receiving a red card.

Rule 11 – Home side of the field

Before the start of each game, the referee will request the home team to choose the side of the field their team and parents will occupy. The visiting team and its parents will occupy the opposite side of the field.

Rule 12 – Rules in Situations Not Covered

Any rule of competition or rule of play not included here or in FIFA will be brought to the Board of Directors for their decision.

Rule 13 – Rules and Regulations Changes

Once the playing season begins, the rules and regulations shall not be subject to change until the next Annual General Meeting.

POLICY #1

In any division with less than four (4) teams registered in CYSA, teams may be formed with the intent to play in the Columbia Youth Soccer Federations under Washington State Youth Soccer Association jurisdiction and governing rules.

The following criteria will be used in forming such teams:

- 1) CYSA tryouts will be held with coach draft.
- 2) Players from all areas of CYSA will be combined on teams.
- 3) The number of teams will be determined before the date set yearly by CYSA based on coach availability and anticipated player registration.

CYSA will have the final say in all problems arising because of this policy.

POLICY #2

CYSA recommends use of solid plastic or reinforced shin guards.

MICRO/MOD SOCCER RULES

- 1) Team Sizes:
 - U-6 3-a side with recommended maximum of 6 on a roster with NO goalkeeper
 - U-7 3-a side with recommended maximum of 6 on a roster with NO goalkeeper
 - U-8 4-a side with recommended maximum of 8 on a roster
 - U-9 5-a side with recommended maximum of 9 on a roster
 - U-10 6-a side with recommended maximum of 10 on a roster
 - U-11 9-a side with recommended maximum of 14 on a roster
- 2) All persons planning to coach in the micro soccer division will have attended a micro soccer clinic given by the club or association. All persons planning to coach in the mod soccer division (U-9 to U-11) will have completed a two evening mod clinic, or an “F” clinic, before the first

game of the season. A mod clinic will be required of all coaches every other season. There will be a minimum of one clinic offered each year.

- 3) The home team has the option of supplying a certified referee for the duration of the game per CYSA rules. Youth Micro/Mod certified referees (per CYSA guidelines) may be assigned. If there are no certified referees assigned, the home team shall supply the referee for the first half and the visiting team shall supply the referee for the second half.
- 4) Game duration will be:
 - U-6 will play 2-18 minute halves
(time will stop at 3 minute intervals)
 - U-7 will play 2-18 minute halves
(time will stop at 3 minute intervals)
 - U-8 will play 2-24 minute halves
(time will stop at 4 minute intervals)
 - U-9 will play 2-25 minute halves
(time will stop at 5 minute intervals)
 - U-10 will play 2-28 minute halves
 - U-11 will play 2-30 minute halves

Following the designated substitution times, play will restart with the team that had possession prior to the whistle doing a throw-in nearest to where the play was stopped. A kick-off is not required unless a goal is scored.

- 5) Game ball will be size #3 for U-6, U-7 and U-8.
Game ball will be size #4 for U9, U-10 and U-11.
- 6) One player will be designated goalkeeper for each team, except for U-6 and U-7 which have no GK. The goalkeeper may be changed every stop in time for U-8 and U-9 and at regular substitution times for U-10 and U-11 per mod soccer rule #13.
- 7) The goal size shall be 3 yards wide for U-6, U-7 and U-8 and 4 yards wide for U-9 and U-10 and 6 yards wide for U-11. Goal posts may be cones, flags, or permanent posts no higher than 6 feet and minimum of 4 feet above the ground.
- 8) Recommended field sizes shall be:
 - U-6 20 x 30
 - U-7 20 x 30
 - U-8 20 x 35
 - U-9 30 x 40
 - U-10 35 x 50
 - U-11 50 x 75

(Note: whenever possible clubs should maximize field sizes within the guidelines provided.)

Dimensions may be altered by 5 yards each way.

There will be a 6 yard goal area across each end for U-6, U-7, and U-8.
The goal area will be 8 yards across each end for U-9 and U-10. For U-11

there will be a penalty area 15 yards out from the goal line and 30 yards wide. The goal area will be 6 yards out from the goal line and 2 yards wider than the goal posts towards the touchlines.

- 9) All free kicks will be indirect free kicks for U-6, U-7, U-8, U-9 and U-10. For U-11, penalty kicks will be taken from the penalty spot which is 10 yards in front of and centered on goal, with the remaining players outside of the penalty area. No offensive free kicks will be taken inside the 6 yard box (the ball is to be placed on the part of the goal-area line which runs parallel to the goal-line, at the point nearest to where the offense was committed). No goal may be scored from a goal kick or place kick for U10 and younger.
- 10) The center of the field will be marked for kick-offs, with the center circle radius 8 yards. Opposing players must be 8 yards away from the ball for U-6 to U-10. The center circle radius will be 10 yards for U-11.
- 11) Throw-ins will be taken per FIFA rules, except that a team will not lose possession for an improper throw-in for U-6, U-7, U-8, and U-9. The team will retake the throw-in until it is done properly.
- 12) No offside from U-6 through U-10. Offside will be in effect for U-11.
- 13) Substitutions will be allowed with the referees approval by either team on any dead ball or prior to a throw-in, goal kick, after a goal by either team, after an injury when the referee stops play, at half-time, and when the referee stops play to caution a player (only the cautioned player may be substituted prior to the restart of the game).
- 14) Goal kicks will be taken from anywhere in the goal area with opposing player 8 yards from the ball if the attacking team touches the ball before it crosses the goal line. Corner kicks will be taken from the closest corner to where the ball went out if the defending team touches the ball before it crosses the goal line.
- 15) Play will be started at the beginning of the game, after a goal is scored and after half time by a place kick from the center of the field per FIFA rules and rule #10.
- 16) All other rules of CYSA and FIFA shall apply.
- 17) Scores and standings for games will not be reported or kept by CYSA.
- 18) Coaches and referees shall try not to let spectators get out of control. Out-of-control spectators will be asked to leave the area.

Micro/Mod Youth Referee Policy

- 1) If both coaches agree, clubs will attempt to provide a youth referee for Micro & Mod soccer games.
- 2) All youth referees will be 7th graders or older.
- 3) All youth referees will attend a CYSA micro/mod referee clinic and pass a micro/mod referee test yearly before referring any games.
- 4) Coaches who accept a youth referee agree to accept that referee's decisions and to enforce good sportsmanship form the spectators.

CYSA SELECT TEAM GUIDELINES
District/Interdistrict/Premier

CYSA Select League:

- 1) CYSA Select teams may be formed for play within the District, Inter-district and for Inter-state play. Note: if a team wishes to play Inter-state they must obtain travel papers from the State.
- 2) CYSA is responsible for the following:
 - a) Registration
 - b) Setting tryout dates, which must coordinate with the state guidelines.
 - c) Advertising tryouts and dates.
 - d) Coordinating evaluators for team tryouts (were necessary or asked for).
 - e) CYSA is responsible for having a referee assignor assign referees for all select team home games.
 - f) CYSA will pay all referees for select teams playing in district, inter-district, and inter-state home games.
- 3) A field use fee of \$175 per year will be paid to the club fields where select team home games are played. A team may petition to have these fees reduced or waived in a case by case basis (for example, a team formed to play summer tournaments only that would have no home games).
- 4) Practices may take place where ever the team gets permission from the owner of the fields that are to be practiced on (state insurance must already be in place).

CYSA Select Team Qualifications:

- 1) Must have a qualified licensed coach that has applied to CYSA by the CYSA agreed deadline. CYSA Executive Board will review and accept coaches. License requirements will be as follows: District and Inter-district – U13 & U14: ‘E’ License; U15 and older: ‘D’ License; Premier – U13 to U19: ‘D’ License (‘C’ Recommended by WSYSA for U15 and older Premier). License must be obtained by the beginning of the season.
- 2) Minimum 8-9 core players required to form a Select team (as per tryout committee made up of licensed, CYSA experienced coaches).
- 3) Section 2 does not apply when no recreational CYSA division is available.
- 4) If a team forms with the intent to play premier and does not qualify at the LPT, the coach must approach CYSA as to their next available options. All competition with CYSA has to be approved by CYSA.
- 5) All Select team tryouts must be open to all of CYSA, not just member clubs.

TRYOUTS

Objective: The purpose of soccer tryouts for Select team for teams affiliated with CYSA is to provide:

- a) An opportunity for interested players to be made aware of Select team competition through publicity.
- b) An opportunity for the CYSA Executive Board to review and approve the selection of coaches for the teams, and
- c) Guidance and assistance to coaches evaluating players interested in competing on a district select team.

Team Formation: Teams shall be affiliated with CYSA through their respective clubs. Clubs affiliated with CYSA will be responsible for team/player registration, home field assignment and obtaining qualified referee assignment for home games. This is not to imply players will be limited to the selection of local clubs to which the player has been affiliated with in the past. All eligible players may tryout for any age-appropriate team. The player shall not be limited to trying out with any one particular coach or team should multiple teams in an age bracket be available. Player eligibility will be as set forth in the rules of the WSYSA and adopted by CYSA. CYSA is responsible for over-seeing the tryout process. Teams shall not be formed in the district select division based solely on number of players. A standard for select qualifications shall be maintained. This standard should prevent the depletion of players from the club recreation programs solely for the sake of formation of a district team.

Selection:

- 1) Coach has selection authority. Committee may suggest only.
- 2) Licensed and approved coaches that coached a District Select team the previous year will have seniority.
- 3) Previous district coaches have first option on their previous players. Players will be granted their choice where there is an option from more than one coach. Previous coach must be aware of the situation and parental/guardian permission is needed for the switch.
- 4) Poaching is to be discouraged in the interest of the player.

Publicity:

- 1) Newspaper ads: to be placed by CYSA .
- 2) Public service notices.
- 3) Letters to all district players eligible announcing tryouts and explaining competition, commitment, travel and costs.
- 4) Flyers: Committee may produce flyers. Clubs will be responsible for getting the flyers to their local schools.