

Dear Clubs and Coaches -

Welcome to the Washington Youth Soccer District 4 (NSYSA) Recreational Cup Qualifier Rounds!

The tournament matches will be played on Friday/Saturday/Sunday November 20th, 21st and 22nd. This is sure to be a fun weekend for all teams as you play a postseason tournament making your way toward victory at the WYS Recreational Cup Quarter-, Semi- and Final matches. All of the members of the board and volunteers for the Northwest Sound Youth Soccer Association (NSYSA) are on-board to make this a successful event for you and your teams.

Here are some important details that you will need to know:

- This tournament is the District 4 (NSYSA) Recreational Cup Qualifier rounds. Your team will be playing other teams in our District (league) - some of whom you will have played during your regular fall season matches. The teams that advance as the victors in their brackets and divisions will then move onto the WYS Recreational Cup Quarter-finals and hopefully onto the Semi-final and Final rounds at Starfire in Tukwila!
- The tournament will be held over the course of three days starting **Friday November 20th through Sunday November 22nd;**
- There are a total of **67 teams** participating in all age brackets! This is a record for the association in recent years and is a direct result of the hard work you as clubs and coaches and put into the sport and your players over the Fall season;
- The matches will be played on a total of 7 fields at different facilities all in close proximity to each other (each link is to a Google Maps location for the fields):
    - Gordon Fields (U11/U12 - 9v9 - 2 fields) (Google Maps)

    - Lobe 2A/2B/3 fields (U9/U10 at Lobe 2A/B and U11/U12 at Lobe 3) (Google Maps)
    - Integrity Stadium at Olympic High School (U13-U19; 11v11) (Google Maps)
    - Fairview Middle School (U13-U19; 11v11) (Google Maps)
- **Please note:** This tournament will be using photo rosters generated from WYS Affinity. All of your players will need a clear portrait photo delivered to your club Registrar. Many Registrars should have already reached out but if you have yet to take photos of your players please reach out to your Registrar for instructions.

Brackets and Schedules

Tournament Schedules have been published here. Please bookmark the page and check back for updates. Note: Some schedules are still in the process of publishing but all schedules should be complete by Sunday November 15 at 12PM.

The tournament brackets, schedules, rosters and scorekeeping will be maintained in the WYS Affinity Tournament system **and not the NSYSA** system you have used for regular season play. The referees and the association will be managing scorekeeping so there is no need for coaches' reports.

Rosters

We will be sending out instructions for rosters over the next few days but see the note above regarding player photos delivered to your club registrar - this is important!

Tournament Rules

The rules document for the NSYSA D4 Qualifier tournament will be distributed to coaches by Sunday Nov 15th. These rules are supplemental to the WYS Recreational Cup Rules that can be accessed here. Please read the rules and become familiar with them and/or print a copy for your reference. Brackets were built for optimal round-robin play but because of the high-volume of teams in some divisions there are two games scheduled initially for some teams with an additional third bracket winning match and if they advance, a fourth championship match. This means your team may be called back for additional matches so

we will be reaching out to coaches directly via email and over the phone to inform them if they have additional matches to play.

Parking

The Kitsap Fairgrounds will be very busy on the weekends due to our tournament. Please plan for some extra time to find parking and to be at your designated fields on time (warm-up time designated by coaches). Overflow parking will be available at Olympic High School's main lot and the gate between Integrity Stadium (Olympic High School Football Stadium) and Lobe Fields will be open.

Seating

Integrity Stadium offers plenty of bleacher seating. Gordon 1 has limited bleacher seating available. If you bring your own seating to Gordon 1, please keep it on the sidewalk area ONLY and between the 18-yard boxes. You may bring seating to Lobe and Fairview fields but ensure that you set up at least 3 feet from any touchline.

Field Rules

- No food or drinks (except water) and no heaters are allowed on the artificial turf fields. Food and drinks are permitted in the stands, dugouts, and on grass fields.
- No pets are permitted at the tournament on the fields or the sidelines or walkways to/from the fields.
- No noise makers will be allowed: ie. speakers, airhorns, bells, cowbells, drums, etc.
- Cleanup: Please ensure all clothing, backpacks, water bottles and garbage are taken when you leave the field or stands. Garbage cans will be available at all fields.
- Bathrooms: Sani-cans are available at Fairview, Gordon and Integrity Fields. Bathrooms are available at Lobe 2 and 3 fields.
- Food vendors may be on site at Lobe (details to come), so please be aware of where you can and cannot take food purchased from these vendors (not onto the pitches!)

What happens after this weekend?

If your team advances beyond the qualifying rounds and advance to the Recreational Cup Quarterfinals, Semi-finals, and/or Finals, here are the dates and locations:

- Quarter-final matches will be hosted Saturday and Sunday, December 5th and 6th. Some of those matches will be hosted on local fields, some will be hosted at away

locations with other WYS district fields, and we will provide your team with those details if they advance.

- Semi-final and Final matches will be hosted Saturday and Sunday, December 12th and 13th at the Starfire Complex in Tukwila, WA.

Thank you for all that you do for your local youth sports communities!

Stay tuned for more updates and see you on the pitch!

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