

THE GAME – All Divisions

1. If one team has less players than the other opposing team, the opposing team will supply players to even out the numbers. Teams should always play games with equal number of players on each team.
2. Any games that are canceled will be played at the same time and place, on the following practice date.
3. Games will take precedence over practices.
4. Rain, thunder and lightning in your area of town doesn't mean the weather is inclement where you are scheduled to play soccer. You should always show up for your games and practices, as they are not rescheduled due to rain. Games and practices for under 4 to under 13 players may be cancelled by the technical director or house league co-ordinator due to severe weather such as lightning or flooded fields. Games and practices for senior players may be cancelled by the referees due to severe weather such as lightning or flooded fields. **In the event that fields are closed due to flooding, SYS will attempt to email all families through email, however, there will be a notice posted on the front page of our website 'Stratford Youth Soccer' and it will also be posted to our Facebook page, so please refer to these sites for the most up to date information.** Cancelled games will be played at the next practice date.
5. **Abusive language and swearing will not be tolerated. Players will be shown the yellow card for dissent by word or action; if the referee feels the offense is of a more serious nature, a red card will be shown for using offensive, insulting or abusive language and/or gestures. Offending coaches or other officials will be asked to remove themselves from the game and the playing area. Spectators will be the responsibility of the coaches. Any effort to circumvent the referee's decision will result in the abandonment of the game.**
6. If the referee fails to show up for the game, the coaches are to agree on who is take over as referee. They could ask a parent or share the responsibility and each ref one half of the game. Please inform the referee scheduler of ANY referee that is absent.
7. TIE BREAKER FOR FINAL DAY STANDINGS:
 - Winner between tied teams in league play
 - Least goals allowed in all league games
 - Goal differential in all league games – maximum 5 goal difference per game