

## FC Long Beach Invitational – Tournament Rules

### Division

Boys & Girls born on or after January 1, of the year specified:  
2010, 2009, 2008, 2007, 2006, 2005, 2004, 2003, 2002, 2001 and 2000 Divisions.

### Classification

This is a Class I and III Tournament open to USYSA & US Club Soccer affiliated teams, sanctioned through CYSA-South.

### Eligibility

Boys and girls teams must be affiliated with USYSA or US Club Soccer. Each team must produce valid laminated player identification cards or equivalent national association identification. All teams must comply with USYSA or US Soccer Club travel procedures. We do accept AYSO credentials.

### Guest Players

Unlimited loan players are permitted.

All Cal South Small-Sided 2018-2019 Rules will apply

### Roster Size

2009: 14 player max roster

2008 & 2007: 16 player max roster

2006 & 2005: 18 player max roster

2004 thru 2000: 22 player max roster (Please Note: Only 18 players can be listed on the Game Card and eligible to play in a game.)

### Protests

All decisions of the Tournament Director, Tournament Operation Manager, Field Marshals, and Referees are final. **NO PROTESTS WILL BE ALLOWED.** Only the Tournament Director can make decisions relating to the interpretation of the Tournament Rules. Disputes relating to the interpretation of these rules will be resolved with the administrator/coach that are registered with the involved team(s). Individuals may not represent a team if not registered as an administrator/coach with the involved team(s).

### Team Registration

Team credentials: player cards, medical release form (registration forms) and the team roster are required to be verified by the Tournament Committee before your first scheduled game.

### Game Cards

A completed Game Card from each team is required before each match, including Quarterfinals, Semifinals and Finals.

### Flight Determination

Choosing teams for flights for each division will be determined by the Tournament Committee.

The referee's decision is final concerning whether a player will be permitted to play with their existing equipment and physical condition (knee braces, cast, etc.)

### Award Ceremonies

Both, the Champion and Finalist will receive awards. We promote good sportsmanship at our event whether you win or lose.

### Tournament Scoring System

6 points for a win

1 point for each goal scored, up to 3 points

1 point for a shut-out.

3 points for a draw

2010-2009 = 20 min

2008-2007 = 25 min

2006-2003 = 30 min

2002-2000 = 35 min

Qualifying matches ending in a tie will stand. Quarter-final, Semi-final and Final matches ending in a tie will proceed immediately to FIFA penalty kicks to determine a winner.

### Standing Tie Breaker

In the event there is a tie in the standing after the qualifying matches or a wild-card determination, the following method will be utilized to resolve the tie:

1. Head to Head Competition
2. Goal Differential (goals scored minus goals allowed)
3. Fewest Goals Allowed
4. Most Goals Scored
5. Most shut-out victories (forfeits not counting)
6. FIFA Kicks from the Penalty Mark

### 2 Yard Sideline Rule

All spectators must always be at least 2 yards away from the sideline. This rule will be enforced by the Referee Field Coordinator and Tournament Officials.

### Withdrawal from the Tournament

Any team withdrawing before July 11, 2018, will receive a full refund minus \$100 processing fee. Any team withdrawing after the July 11, 2018, will not be entitled to a refund.

### Inclement Weather or Unexpected Termination of Play

In the event of inclement weather, which the Tournament Committee deems as being unsafe for the players and/or the fields for competition to continue; or the unexpected termination of the match, the following system for determining the winner will be implemented:

If the Tournament is canceled due to the Inclement Weather prior to the start of competition, teams will be issued partial refunds as determined by the Tournament Committee, after a reasonable amount has been deducted for incurred tournament costs.