

## **FEBRUARY 2010 RULE CHANGE OVERVIEW**

### Rule Change #1 – By Law: Executive Vice President Responsibilities

The reference to competitions is being changed to include “Fall Championships and all state-sponsored Spring Cup competitions and the State Classic League” to bring clarity to the areas of responsibility of this officer.

### Rule Change #2 – Discipline, Protest, Grievance and Appeal Procedures

The purpose of this change is to eliminate refunds of protest and appeal fees based on the outcome of the case. Expenses are incurred each time a case is submitted to the State Office and refunding the fee results in the costs being absorbed by other revenue.

### Rule Change #3 – Discipline, Protest, Grievance and Appeal Procedures

With the rising costs for postage, shipping, copying and telephone, the costs for hearing a protest or appeal have also risen. This change would increase the cost of the protest or appeal slightly as well as remove the refund policy for cases that are successful.

### Rule Change #4 – Discipline, Protest, Grievance and Appeal Procedures

As the result of confusion as to the cost of an appeal at different levels and the possibility of changes from time to time, the wording of this rule modifies the reference to the appeal fee to a “check for the appropriate non-refundable filing fee.”

### Rule Change #5 – Registration Rules and Procedures

This is a housekeeping change to correct a rule reference in the Adult Criminal Background Checks section of registration rules.

### Rule Change #6 – Registration Rules and Procedures

In the past, a listing of individuals cleared through the Adult Background Check process had been provided to Risk Management Coordinators for reference. With the move to an online registration program, association and club officers have access to information by logging into the system. This change eliminates the requirement to provide a printed listing.

### Rule Change #7 – Registration Rules and Procedures

In the past, a listing of individuals found to be ineligible was also maintained in the State Office and to the Risk Management Coordinators. With the online program available, association and club officials can determine the status of an individual but the list can be made available if needed.

### Rule Change #8 – Registration Rules and Procedures

To eliminate confusion for some coaches on the number of U10 players allowed to play up on a team, this rule adds the wording “or younger” to clarify that the maximum is the total number of younger players allowed on a U11 or older team.

### Rule Change #9 – General Rules of Play

The purpose of this change is to eliminate a conflict between the wording of the rule in the Registration section and in the General Rules of Play regarding playing up by adding a reference to the registration rule.

### Rule Change #10 – Soccer Start Program

US Youth Soccer has recently renamed the Soccer Start Program to Soccer Across America. All references to the program are being changed in the section of the rules addressing this program.

#### Rule Change #11 – Registration Rules and Procedures

In an effort to address the situation that occurs each spring with players that leave teams without requesting or signing a release form, a modification is being made to the rule to allow a registrar to submit a release along with detailed documentation of attempts to obtain the signed form for consideration by the appropriate state official.

#### Rule Change #12 – Registration Rules and Procedures

In response to questions about the age of teams formed in the Recreational Academy, this rule change is to clarify that only Under-9 and Under-10 teams may be formed but Under-8, Under-9 and Under-10 players may be rostered to these teams.

#### Rule Change #13 – Registration Rules and Procedures - [WITHDRAWN](#)

This proposal has been withdrawn.

#### Rule Change #14 – Registration Rules and Procedures

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#### Rule Change #18 – Registration Rules and Procedures

Proposed by a club official, the purpose of this change is to allow coaches to move players freely between teams within their own club.

#### Rule Change #19 – Registration Rules and Procedures – Team Roster

Proposed by a club official, the purpose of this change is to allow coaches to move players freely between teams within their own club in all age groups.

#### Rule Change #20 – Registration Rules and Procedures – Player Bound to Team

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#### Rule Change #21 – Registration Rules and Procedures – Final Fall Registration

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#### Rule Change #22 – Registration Rules and Procedures – ID Cards

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#### Rule Change #23 – Registration Rules and Procedures – Multiple Rostering

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#### Rule Change #24 – Registration Rules and Procedures – Player ID Cards

Although the original intent was to add a new level of play, the rule proposal for that play level has been withdrawn; therefore, the purpose of this change is to be consistent in the manner in which the play levels are identified.

#### Rule Change #25 – Registration Rules and Procedures – Referees

Although the original intent was to add a new level of play, the rule proposal for that play level has been withdrawn; therefore, the purpose of this change is to be consistent in the manner in which the play levels are identified.

#### Rule Change #26 – Playoff Rules and Procedures

In anticipation of an application for a new member Association being filed, this rule change was proposed to address how teams advancing to playoffs would be determined.

#### Rule Change #27 – General Rules of Play - Substitutions

This would add the ability to substitute on a corner kick.

#### Rule Change #28 – Travel and Tournament Policies and Procedures

When submitting an Application to Host a Tournament or Games, the application must be signed by the President of the Member Association. The intent of this change is to identify who is eligible to sign an application to host an event.

#### Rule Change #29 – Travel and Tournament Policies and Procedures

When submitting an Application to Host a Tournament or Games, the application must be signed by the President of the Member Association. The intent of this change is to identify who is eligible to sign an application for an event involving foreign teams.

#### Rule Change #30 – Travel and Tournament Policies and Procedures

When submitting an Application to Host a Tournament or Games, the application must be signed by the President of the Member Association. The intent of this change is to identify who is eligible to sign the Hosting Agreement.

#### Rule Change #31 – Travel and Tournament Policies and Procedures

Changes to this section are to bring the state hosting policies in line with recent updates to the US Youth Soccer Policies. This section updates the definitions of types of events, the change in fees, who must sign the application and restrictions with regard to agreements with host hotels.

#### Rule Change #32 – Travel and Tournament Policies and Procedures

Changes to this section are to bring the state hosting policies in line with recent updates to the US Youth Soccer Policies. This section updates the requirements for entities asking to host Unrestricted Tournaments.

#### Rule Change #33 – Travel and Tournament Policies and Procedures

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