

# **STYSA SUMMER GBM PROPOSED RULE CHANGE OVERVIEW**

## Rule Change #1 – Club Player Pass System Definition

After several attempts to implement a Club Player Pass System, more definitive parameters have been provided to clarify the purpose and method of operation. This proposed change is the definition of the program with some of the restrictions on the use of club passes. Local leagues will have the option of deciding whether to implement the player pass system into their program.

## Rule Change #2 – Club Player Pass System

More details regarding an organization's adoption of the Club Player Pass System and the minimum requirements that must be met are included in this addition of the program to the registration rules and procedures.

## Rule Change #3 – Definition of Club

The Club Player Pass System may be utilized within a club; therefore, the definition of a club needed to be updated to align with USYS definitions and to be relevant to the player pass system under consideration.

## Rule Change #4 – Multiple Rostering

STYSA rules currently do not allow players to be rostered to or participate with more than one team at a time. This adds reference to the Club Player Pass System to the existing rule making it possible for organization's to utilize the process.

## Rule Change #5 – Noisemakers

Due to recent incidents with teams using noisemakers during games, this rule has been proposed to prohibit items that would serve as a distraction to the game and create a hostile environment on the sideline.

## Rule Change #6 – Initial Registration

**WITHDRAWN**

Initially, this proposed change was designed to eliminate the two registration reporting periods during the fall season. Due to concerns expressed by the Executive Committee, the proposed change has been withdrawn until further consideration can be given to the issue.

## Rule Change #7 – Final Registration

**WITHDRAWN**

Initially, this proposed change was designed to eliminate the two registration reporting periods during the fall season. Due to concerns expressed by the Executive Committee, the proposed change has been withdrawn until further consideration can be given to the issue.

## Rule Change #8 – Miscellaneous Registration

This is a housekeeping change to remove reference to "a correctly prepared and readable diskette". With the implementation of an online registration program, there is no longer a need to submit information to the state in such a format.

## Rule Change #9 – Spring Registration

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#### Rule Change #10 – Team Counts for Fall Championships

The requirement for providing team counts of teams interested in consideration for Fall Championship allocations has always appeared in the Registration section rather than in the Playoff section. This change relocates the requirement to the appropriate area.

#### Rule Change #11 – Transfers on U11 and U12 teams

With the move to 8v8 play in Under-11 and Under-12 age groups, the maximum roster has been downsized to 14 players. Restricting transfers to a maximum of 3 on these teams is proposed to maintain a more comparable roster size.

#### Rule Change #12 – Transfers & Penalty Points

Although players and coaches are responsible for maintaining their own penalty points, neither players nor registrars have access to the actual Penalty Point Report during the season and not everyone is using the same scheduling program so it's not always possible to produce a written report. This proposal removes the requirement that a summary report be attached to each transfer.

#### Rule Change #13 – Playoff Rules & Procedures: El Paso

As a result of a request that El Paso be separated into two Member Associations, this rule change is designed to assure that there is a process in place for a playoff between the two associations to identify which teams are eligible for the bye into the State Tournaments for Fall and Spring post season play

#### Rule Change #14 – General Rules: Substitution

This proposal has been submitted in the past to allow substitutions on a corner kick. At the last GBM, the proposal was not considered as it was not in the form of a rule. Therefore, it has been resubmitted in the proper format with a request that it apply only to Division 3 and Division 4 play levels.

**This is a brief overview of the proposed rule changes that will be voted on at the STYSA 2010 Summer Governing Board Meeting which will be held on July 16-18, 2010 in Houston, Texas.**

**To see these rule changes in their entirety, please visit the STYSA website at: [www.stxsoccer.org](http://www.stxsoccer.org) then click on "Governing Board Meetings".**