

City of Loveland Adult Soccer League Rules

All leagues will be governed by FIFA rules with the following exceptions

BLOOD POLICY – Any participant who is bleeding excessively, or has an open wound must leave the game. The participant may not return until either the bleeding is stopped, the wound is covered up, or the uniform is changed.

PLAYER CHECK IN - Players should arrive early and must check in, show a valid picture ID to the Facility Supervisor and sign the COVID-19 waiver prior to entering the facility.

ELIGIBILITY AGE - The eligibility age to participate in the Adult Athletic program is *16 years old*. The player must be 16 at time of participation.

UNIFORM – Uniform should consist of same shade jerseys with at least 4" numbers on front and/or back. There must be no duplicating numbers. Shin guards are required and must be fully covered by a sock. Each team must have a dark and light colored shirt available. Soccer cleats only. Illegal cleats include: steel, football, baseball, shoes with screw-on type cleats, etc. No Jewelry, plaster casts, or injury healing devices (unless padded) are not allowed to participate in any games sponsored, hosted or operated by the City of Loveland Adult Athletics. Exception: medical alert id bracelet or necklace.

NUMBER OF PLAYERS - A team may start and/or finish a game with a minimum of two players and a maximum of eleven players. Players may be added up to eleven as they arrive, but may only enter the game during a throw in when their team is in possession.

DURATION OF GAMES - Games will consist of two 40-minute halves with a 5-minute halftime.

PLAYERS – COED RULE - Modified: Each team must have at least one female player on the field at all times. Maximum number of male players on the field at any time is five. The goalie position is not included in this count and may be either male or female.

SUBSTITUTIONS - Teams may substitute players prior to a throw-in when the substituting team is in possession of the ball. Either team may substitute prior to a goal kick, or after a goal has been scored. Substitutions must be announced to the referee and follow all other normal procedures.

SLIDE TACKLES - This is a Loveland Parks and Recreation league rule level 2 (less competitive). Tackling the ball or sliding steals will not be allowed. Players must not leave their feet or execute a baseball type slide in an attempt to **dispossess** the ball from a ball carrier. Sliding when an opposing player is not present to prevent a ball from leaving the field of play or going into goal is allowed. Slide tackling is allowed in level 1 (more competitive) league games.

GAME TIMES ARE FORFEIT TIMES - Games will begin on time as scheduled.

- Forfeits - the only times that a game may be forfeited due to lack of players is when the coach voluntarily forfeits the game by signing the scoresheet or when no players show up.

- The officials are not allowed to work a forfeited game.
- If a team forfeits before the game has started, then the opponent is credited with a 1-0 win.
- If a team forfeits after the game has started, then the opponent is credited with a win.
- If a team cannot play and has contacted the athletic coordinator prior to the game about rescheduling, the opposing team will get the option to win by forfeit or play at a later date or time depending on availability.

ILLEGAL PLAYERS - Just don't do it!

- A player in the game that is not on the official team roster.
- A player playing on two teams in the same program

UNSPORTSMANLIKE CONDUCT - Effect: player may be ejected from the game and subject to further disciplinary action in accordance to the Adult Athletic Code of Conduct.

SUSPENSIONS - Players and coaches ejected from league play **will receive a minimum 1 to 2-game suspension depending on the offense, plus a minimum 1-year probation** in accordance to the Adult Athletic Code of Conduct.

FIELD SUPERVISOR - Has the authority to give warnings and/or eject any spectator or player who is not in compliance with City of Loveland rules and regulations!

PROFANITY AND TAUNTING – Effect: player may be ejected from the game and subject to further disciplinary action in accordance to the Adult Athletic Code of Conduct.