

**CYSA DVIII**  
**Dennis Olson League**  
**and**  
**Kaercher League**  
**2006-2007**

**Playing Rules**  
**and**  
**Procedures**

# **DENNIS OLSON & KAERCHER LEAGUE – PLAYING RULES AND PROCEDURES**

## **NAME**

These two leagues shall be known as the Dennis Olson League and Eric and Brad Kaercher League, hereafter referred to as D.O.L. ( Class One ) and Kaercher League ( Class Three ).

## **PURPOSE**

The purpose of these two ( 2 ) leagues will be to develop, promote and administer the game of soccer at the highest level of competition in their respective classes. It shall be the interest of both leagues to promote mental and physical fitness, develop self and community pride, and to provide youth players the opportunity to learn and play organized soccer at the CYSA Class One and Class Three levels.

## **CAL-NORTH AREA**

The boundaries of the D.O.L. and Kaercher Leagues shall be the geographic area defined by the California Youth Soccer Association, CYSA-N , as **District VIII**.

## **TIMELINES :**

- A. Mandatory Coaches meeting for the age matrix teams defined in this section will always be the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of April** – D.O.L. : U-11 thru U-13 Boys and U-11 thru U-19 Girls. Kaercher League : U-12 thru U-14 Boys and U-12 thru U-19 Girls
- B. May 20th**
1. Team commitments are due. E-Mail a list of Teams in these Age Matrix in to the D.O.L. / Kaercher League Chairman, **Hervi Rualo** – [htrualo@comcast.net](mailto:htrualo@comcast.net) , or mail them to 1630 Milestone Circle, Modesto Ca. 95357
- C. June 20th** – Send all fees documents to the D.O.L. / Kaercher League Chairman
1. League Fees ( **\$ 150/team** ) and Forfeiture Fees ( **\$100/team** ) are due.
  2. Team Rosters ( including names, addresses & phone numbers ) and copies of Golden Rods are due. **Including Coaches & Asst. Coaches names and contact numbers.**
  3. A letter stating Field availability commitment and Maps to fields are due.
  4. A letter stating Referee availability commitment ( 3 referees/game for D.O.L. games ) and ( 2 referees/game for Kaercher games ) A 3-man referee system is preferred.
- D. Mandatory Coaches meeting for the age matrix teams defined in this section will always be the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of July** – D.O.L. : U-14 thru U-19 Boys
- E. August 20th**
1. Team commitments are due. E-Mail a list of Teams in these Age Matrix in to the D.O.L. / Kaercher League Chairman, **Hervi Rualo**
- F. September 20th** - Send all fees documents to the D.O.L. / Kaercher League Chairman
1. League Fees ( **\$ 150/team** ) and Forfeiture Fees ( **\$100/team** ) are due.
  2. Team Rosters ( including names, addresses & phone numbers ) and copies of Golden Rods are due. **Including Coaches & Asst. Coaches names and contact numbers.**
  3. A letter stating Field availability commitment and Maps to fields are due.
  4. A letter stating Referee availability commitment ( 3 referees/game for D.O.L. games )
- G. All Dates above mandated by the DVIII Class 1 & 3 Leagues and the Dist. Registrar**  
If your league misses any of the dates listed above, your league will be subjected to a **\$ 150** fine per late team involved. ( No exceptions )

## **FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY**

District VIII, the D.O.L. & Kaercher Leagues and all volunteer administrators shall not assume, nor be liable for the debts nor the financial responsibilities either implied or incurred by any of its member leagues, member teams, member coaches or other team officials.

## **PLAYING RULES AND REGULATIONS**

The Rules of Play for the D.O.L. and Kaercher leagues shall follow all rules and regulations as set forth by the following organizations : **FIFA, USSF, USYA, CYSA-N, DISTRICT VIII and any specific rules as set forth by the D.O.L. and Kaercher Leagues, Playing Rules and Regulations.**

### **TEAMS : ( No Player Pass “No Play” Rule ) CYSA-N, Section 4:05**

- A. No Team shall be allowed to play without presenting a valid “Team Roster” ( CYSA-N Goldenrod ) and a valid USYS “Player Pass” for every player in the team roster validated and signed by the District Registrar ( CYSA-N Specific Rules, Section 4:05:02 ) when requested to do so by the center referee. A coach must have a properly filled out and signed USYS “Medical Release” for every player that is participating in any team functions, training or games.
- B. Team Rosters submitted to the DVIII League Chairman and District registrar shall consist of not more than eighteen (18) players ( CYSA-N 4:06:05 ) and no less than eleven (11) players per the D.O.L. and Kaercher League Playing Rules and Regulations.
- C. Teams entered in the Class One U-11 thru U-19 competitions must have rosters that are Age Pure ( CYSA-N PIM 00-3, Team Classifications ). No older players may be roster on these teams. Younger players may be roster on these teams except for the U-11 Age Matrix.
- D. Any U-10 players seeking exemption from this procedure to play on a U-11 Age Matrix team shall submit a written request to be considered to “Play Up” from each player’s parents or guardian to the Current District VIII Commissioner.
- E. Class Three Team Age Matrix : U-12 ( U-11/U-12 Players ), U-14 ( U-13/U14 Players ), U-16 ( U-15/U-16 Players ), U-18/19 ( U-17 thru U-19 Players ) as defined by CYSA-N U-10 age matrix players will not be allowed to play in a U-12 Class Three team.

### **Registration Matrix – Current Seasonal Year**

U-11 ----- August 1 – July 31  
U-12 ----- August 1 – July 31  
U-13 ----- August 1 – July 31  
U-14 ----- August 1 – July 31  
U-15 ----- August 1 – July 31  
U-16 ----- August 1 – July 31  
U-17 ----- August 1 – July 31  
U-18 ----- August 1 – July 31  
U-19 ----- August 1 – July 31

The above schedule shall extend, in the same order, ad infinitum.

- F. It shall be the objective of each team's coach to give players a share of the teams training and game participation. Any player that meets the team's standard for practice session attendance, is in attendance at a game in uniform, and is not under any disciplinary suspension by the League or Dist. VIII, should receive some playing time in the game as deemed productive for the whole team by the team's coaches.
- G. Each League will be responsible for maintaining birth certificates on all registered players and shall be responsible for producing these birth certificates upon request from any CYSA-N or District Administrators. ( Adopted November 16, 2000 )

### **RULES OF PLAY**

The D.O.L. and Kaercher Leagues reaffirms its commitment to comply with CYSA-N General Rules and Procedures 3:01. The Following items are intended to only clarify these procedures.

- A. Substitutions : Players are to be substituted accordingly to CYSA-N General Rules and Procedures 3:08:06. A substitute may not enter the field of play until given a signal by the center referee to do so.
- B. Equipment :
1. All players are to be in a team uniform in order to play. The minimum uniform is defined as a team jersey with a number, team shorts, shin guards – CYSA PIM 88-3 ( Rev. 8/88 ) and socks. Socks are to be worn over the shin guards. Player jerseys need to be tucked in the players shorts at all time.
  2. The Goalkeeper jersey shall be clearly distinguishable from all other field players from both teams.
  3. Field players are not permitted to wear sweat pants, sweat tops or shirts of any other than their uniform. Goalkeepers are permitted to wear sweat pants provided, in the opinion of the referee, the colors do not conflict with the teams on the field or represent a distraction to the game.
  4. No D.O.L. or Kaercher League games will be scheduled on any CYSA-N Sanctioned Tournament weekends or the CYSA-N A.G.M. weekend.

### **PLAYER PASS**

Refer to CYSA-N Rules and Regulations 4:05 – Section 4:05:01 through 4:05:04 and PIM 88-4 ( Rev. 6/99 )

### **PLAYER PASS VERIFICATION**

Refer to CYSA-N Rules and Registrations 4:06 – Sections 4:06:01 through 4:06:05

All “Player Passes” must be checked for compliance with USYS and CYSA-N Rules by either the Referee of the game that is about to take place or a qualified league field Marshall assigned to that CYSA-N sanctioned game.

### **REFEREE**

- A. Assignment of Referees to all D.O.L. and Kaercher league games is the responsibility of the “Host League” where the games are scheduled to be played.
- B. All scheduled D.O.L league games shall be officiated using a 3-Man Diagonal System of Control

- C. All “Center” referees must be at least a Grade 8 and be 16 years min. in age and/or at least two age groups ( **2 yrs. older than the players on the field** ). It is also highly recommended that all assistant referees be two age groups older than the team that they will be officiating. Any league who wishes to request a variance from this DVIII Rules and Procedures due to limited referee pool shall request an approval from the current District Commissioner or the D.O.L. / Kaercher Chairman for any specific scheduled game or games.
- D. If a member league is **reported non-compliant** with any of the above “Referee Minimum Requirement” that league will be fined **\$25** per the reported game, the fine due 14 days from the date of notice by District VIII. **The 2nd time** a member league is reported, the non-compliant fine will be **\$50**. **The 3rd occurrence** will result in a **\$75** fine and all home games being moved to other leagues and the payment of the cost of the referees for all games moved to another league.
- E. **No games shall be started or played without the assigned referees. A parent who volunteers to referee a game, but is not a licensed referee, does not qualify as a part of the assigned referee group for any District VIII league games.**

### **LEAGUE GAMES**

- A. Each team participating in the D.O.L. / Kaercher Leagues will be responsible for keeping records of their own ( win-loss ) records.
- B. Game Durations **during league play** shall be as follows :
  - 1. U-11 and U-12 - 30 min. halves
  - 2. U-13 and U-14 - 35 min. halves
  - 3. U-15 thru U-19 - 40 min. halves
- C. The Team Bracketing for the leagues “End of the Year” Tournament shall be done by a **Blind Draw** at one of the Monthly District VIII Meetings or at one of the D.O.L. / Kaercher League Coordinators meetings.
- D. **It is mandatory for all teams participating in the D.O.L. and Kaercher Leagues to play in the league’s “End of the Year” Tournaments.** Failure to comply shall result in a fine of **\$75** above and beyond the required **\$120 Tournament Fee**. The Tournament Fee will pay for the Fields and Referee cost incurred by the Tournament Host League.
- E. Tournament Fees for all teams will be sent in to the D.O.L. / Kaercher League Chairman 1 month prior to the date of the End of the Year Tournament. **No Exceptions**. The date for all the End of the Year Tournaments will be announced at least 2 months in advance for all teams to make arrangements to attend and to send in their teams Tournament Fees and make their checks payable to the volunteer Host Leagues.

### **POINT SYSTEM – For Tournament play**

A winner will declared in each age group. Awards will be presented for 1st thru 4th place at the D.O.L. and Kaercher League “End of the Year” Tournaments.

- A. In the preliminary rounds, the following point system will be used to determine which teams will advance : **3 Points. – Win, 1 Point – Tie, 0 Point – Loss**

### **POINT SYSTEM – For Tournament play** ( continued )

B. If two (2) teams are “Tied” in points at the conclusion of the preliminary rounds, the following tie-breaking procedures will be employed to determine which team will play in the Championship or the Consolation Games.

1. Result of head-to-head competition between the teams that are tied.
2. Goal differential ( goals scored minus goals allowed to a maximum differential of 4 per goals per game ).
3. Least goals allowed.
4. Most goals scored to a maximum of 4 goals per game.
5. Kicks taken from the penalty spot per FIFA.

C. If more than two (2) teams are tied at the end of the preliminary rounds, the above list of tie-breakers will be used in sequential order until one (1) team is determined to be the winner. The tie-breaking procedure does not revert back to the previous tie-breaking criteria after one team has been eliminated.

D. Game Durations for Preliminary Rounds shall be 5 minutes less each half of play from the respective age matrix league game durations.

E. Game Durations for Championship and Consolation Games shall be the same as league game durations.

F. **No protest will be entertained at any of the “End of the Year” Tournament Games.** All participating teams are however recommended to always put in writing any good ideas and suggestions for improving our Tournament Play.

### **SUSPENSIONS AND PENALTIES**

All suspensions will be in accordance with the D.O.L. Disciplinary Procedures and CYSA-N Disciplinary Rulings 4:08 – Sections 4:08:01 through 4:08:06

### **PROTEST AND APPEALS**

Protest and Appeals are to be presented according to the current edition of CYSA-N General procedures 3:11 – Sections 3:11:01 through 3:11:11. The sections that follows are to clarify the specific procedures of the D.O.L. and Kaercher Leagues

The current District DVIII Asst. Commissioner shall Chairman and will appoint the members of the Protest And Discipline Committee ( PADC ). It is the duty of this committee to deal with all protest arising from any scheduled League games or team activities in District VIII.

### **PROTEST AND APPEALS**

- A. All District VIII Protest shall be presented in writing to the PADC Chairman within seventy-two (72) hours of any league game incident. **All protest must be accompanied by a non-refundable fee of \$200 and must be a league check.**
- B. All Appeals arising from negative finding in a protest shall be presented in writing to the PADC Chairman seventy-two (72) hours after notification of the ruling by the Protest and Decision Committee ( PADC ).

## **PROTEST AND APPEALS** ( continued )

- C. The District VIII B.O.D. will then meet to decide whether the appeal shall require further action within the league or to be submit the appeal to the District VIII PADC for review.

## **FORFEITURES**

1. There will be a refundable **\$100/team** deposit for forfeiture before the D.O.L. and Kaercher league season starts. Penalty - \$50 each for the first and second forfeiture offense.
2. Third Forfeiture offense – The league’s D.O.L. or Kaercher Coordinator will have to go before the D.O.L. / Kaercher Executive Board. ( A 5 person Executive Board will be appointed and assembled by the D.O.L. / Kaercher Chairman per occurrence ) The current Dist. Asst. Commissioner will always be a member of this 5 person Executive Board.
3. A team forfeits a game if the team is not on the field of play 15 minutes after the start of a scheduled league game.

## **D.O.L. AND KAERCHER LEAGUE COORDINATORS RESPONSIBILITIES**

A. All leagues must have an assigned/appointed D.O.L. and Kaercher League Coordinator in place prior to any league tryout dates.

B. All leagues must have an assistant to the league registrar to assist with the registration of all Class 1 and Class 3 teams. This person can be the league coordinator.

C. League Coordinators Duties :

1. Represent your league at all scheduled D.O.L / Kaercher league meetings, including all Mandatory coaches meetings.
2. Liaison between your leagues coaches and the D.O.L. / Kaercher Chairman
3. Assist all coaches in registration of all their respective league teams.
4. Ensure that all D.O.L. / Kaercher League Rules and Regulations are followed by all your Coaches and players.
  - b. Run the “End of the Year” Tournament if your league volunteers to host the event.

## **COACHING REQUIREMENTS :**

### **Head Coaches and Asst. Coaches : ( Class 1 – D.O.L. )**

1. First year of Coaches’ participation :
  - a. Head Coach and Asst. Coach must hold a CYSA “F” license
  - b. Both Coaches must have completed an entry level referee Clinic.
2. Second year of Coaches’ participation :
  - a. Head Coach and Asst. Coach must hold a CYSA “E” license
  - b. Both Coaches must have completed an entry level referee Clinic.
3. Third year of Coaches’ participation :
  - a. Head Coach and Asst. Coach must hold a CYSA “E/D” license
  - b. Both Coaches must have completed an entry level referee Clinic.

## **COACHING REQUIREMENTS : ( continued )**

### **Head Coaches and Asst. Coaches : ( Class 3 – Kaercher League )**

1. First year of Coaches' participation :
  - a. Head Coach and Asst. Coach must hold a CYSA "F" license
  - b. Must have completed an entry level referee Clinic.
  - c. ( Exemption ) – First time Asst. Coach does not have to have a referee license.
2. Second year of Coaches' participation :
  - a. Head Coach and Asst. Coach must hold a CYSA "E" license
  - b. Both Coaches must have completed an entry level referee Clinic.
3. Third year of Coaches' participation :
  - a. Head Coach and Asst. Coach must hold a CYSA "E/D" license
  - b. Both Coaches must have completed an entry level referee Clinic.

## **DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES**

The Dennis Olson and Kaercher Leagues Protest and Discipline Committee ( PADC ) derives its authority from, and operates under the **CYSA-N and District VIII Playing Rules and Procedures.**

## **PROCEDURES OF HANDLING "SEND OFF REPORTS"**

The D.O.L. and Kaercher League is dependent on receiving accurate and timely "Send Off Reports" from the game referees. It is the responsibility of the host league's Coordinator to assure that the referee 24 hour "Send Off Reports" are mailed in to the PADC Chairman in the allotted required time.

1. The 24 hour "Send Off Report" shall immediately be sent in by the game's host leagues Coordinator to the PADC Chairman.
2. The host league's Coordinator will keep the player pass or passes of players only from their own league and immediately send in to the appropriate visiting league's coordinator any other player pass or passes of that visiting league's player or players that were "Sent Off".
3. The PADC will then meet and assess the appropriate game suspensions and the PADC Chairman will call the D.O.L. or Kaercher League Coordinators involved with their respective player or players assessed game suspension or suspensions.
4. It is the responsibility of the League Coordinators to hold on to the player pass or passes of their own league player or players assessed game suspensions. It is also the League Coordinators responsibility to get the player pass or passes back to the player or players in a timely manner after the required game suspensions are served.

**ALL CYSA-N PLAYING SITES ARE "ALCOHOL AND TOBACCO FREE" – CYSA-N 1:13**

**NON-CONFORMANCE PENALTY FOR NOT ATTENDING THE  
DOL MANDATORY COACHES MEETING**

( Adopted March 25, 2004 )

District League Presidents voted on and approved ( D-VIII District Meeting - March 25, 2004 ) that any team from any league whose coaches or registered team officials does not attend the “Mandatory Coaches Meeting” as set forth in writing in the Dennis Olson League D.O.L. Rules and Procedures for District VIII will :

- 1. Forfeit playing in any CYSA-N scheduled and sanctioned tournament within and outside of District VIII in that years CYSA-N Soccer Season. ( 8/1 through 7/31 )**
- 2. Only be allowed to play in the D.O.L. “End of the Year” Tournament as part of that team’s league soccer season. It is also mandatory that this team play in the D.O.L. “End of the Year” Tournament as part of that team’s league soccer season.**

All teams that fall in this non-conformance category will have the right to appeal within seventy-two (72) hours of notification from the D.O.L. Chairman or the District Registrar regarding their team or team’s status in the D.O.L. to the District VIII - Protest and Appeals Committee Chairman. ( See the District VIII – Administrator’s - Contact Directory )

The Appeal must be accompanied by a **non-refundable fee of \$200** and must be a league check. Mail in check payable to : CYSA-N District VIII, to the District Commissioner. ( See the District VIII – Administrator’s – Contact Directory )