



CALIFORNIA PAL STATE CUP SOCCER TOURNAMENT 2025 EVENT REGISTRATION INFORMATION

The 2025 California PAL State Cup Soccer Tournament will be held on **Friday, June 20 – Sunday, June 22, 2025**, at College Park in Oxnard, CA, located at **3250 S Rose Ave, Oxnard, CA 93033**.

ALCOHOL IS NOT ALLOWED ON OR AROUND THE PREMISES.

Participation: This tournament will be an open, non-sanctioned PAL Tournament.

Official Roster(s): Each team may consist of no more than 16 players for 2018 (U-7) - 2013 (U-11) or 18 players for 2011 (U-12) - 2008 (U-17). **Roster changes will not be allowed once your team's first game has started.**

PLAYERS CAN ONLY PLAY FOR ONE TEAM DURING THE ENTIRE TOURNAMENT.

Fees: There is no registration fee for this tournament. Teams are only responsible for referee fees.

- **(2018 - 2013: \$50/game and 2012 - 2008: \$84/game)**
- Each participating team will have a three-game guarantee
- **Referee fees for guaranteed games must be paid before the start of the first game.**
(2018 - 2013: \$150 and 2012 - 2008: \$250)
- Referee fees for Championship games will need to be paid before the games. **(2018 - 2013: \$50 and 2012 - 2008: \$85)**

Tournament Divisions: All divisions will be competitive. **Please remember that you must register in the division of the oldest player on the team.** Teams can play up a division if they wish. Girls can play on a Boys Division team (same age or up a division), but Boys cannot play on a strictly "Girls" division team.

Cancellation: If any team becomes unable to compete in the tournament, they must notify both California PAL and the City of Oxnard immediately.

Referee fees are non-refundable should your team have to forfeit once the tournament has started.

Proof of Age: A copy of each competitor's birth certificate, passport, immigration identification (Immigration Card, etc.) California ID, or a signed, official letter from the competitor's school stating the competitor's age, must be in the possession of the Head Coach or designated PAL director/head chaperone at ALL times throughout the tournament.

Identification: Each team must bring some form of picture ID. This can be either a PAL ID, KidTrax ID card, school ID bearing the youth's name, photo, date of birth, or an official CAL South or CYSA Soccer ID Card. This ID card must be shown at registration and before every game during the tournament.

Uniforms: All competitors must wear uniform jerseys/shirts displaying the player's number on the back of the jersey/shirt. We highly encourage all PAL teams to wear jerseys that either have their PAL name or a PAL chapter patch of some kind on them.

2025 California PAL Soccer Tournament Rules & Regulations

All games will follow FIFA, USYSA, and Cal South rules and regulations.

Format and Governing Rules: California Youth Soccer Association Guidelines, FIFA laws, USYSA and Cal South, and the California PAL Tournaments and Events Regulations and Policies.

Awards: Will be given to the First Place and Second Place teams in each active boys & girls division.

Game Check-In: Each participating team will have a three-game guarantee.

- Teams must check in 45-60 minutes before the start of every game. Field marshals will check player identity cards and players' equipment before each game.
- Full-sided matches (11v11) must have seven (7) players to start or continue a game.
- Small-sided matches (9v9 or 7v7) must have a minimum of five (5) players to start, or continue a game.
- Game time is forfeit time.

Fields and Game Equipment

- Players (excluding the goalkeeper) must wear numbers on the back of their uniforms and must match the team's official roster.
- PLAYERS ARE REQUIRED TO WEAR **SHIN GUARDS** PER FIFA LAWS OF THE GAME. **NO JEWELRY MAY BE WORN.**
- It will be at the referee's discretion to determine the safety and suitability of player equipment, including the wearing of a brace. Casts are allowed if padded and the referee considers them to be safe.

Substitutions

Substitutions shall be unlimited. Players must enter from the center of the field. Substitutions may be made with the consent of the referee at the following times:

- Before the throw-in by the team possessing the ball.
- By either team before a goal kick.
- By either team after a goal is scored.
- After an injury to either team or when the referee stops play.
- During halftime.
- Before the start of either overtime period.

Duration of the Game

AGE	2018 - 2016 (7U - 10U)	2015 - 2014 (11U - 12U)	2013 - 2008 (13U - 18U)
# OF PLAYERS ON THE FIELD	7v7	9v9	11v11
HEADING	NO	NO	YES
BUILDOUT LINE	YES	NO	NO
MATCH TIME	25 MIN	25 MIN	30 MIN
HALFTIME BREAK	5 MIN	5 MIN	5 MIN
BALL SIZE	4	4	5
GOAL SIZE	7x21	7x21	8x24
MAX ROSTERS	16	16	18

Competition Format

The following point system will be awarded in the preliminary games:

- Three (3) points for each win
- One (1) point for each tie.
- Zero (0) points for each loss.

A player or coach given a red card in a game shall be expelled from that game. **A coach must be out of sight and sound. The player shall not be replaced in that game and shall not be permitted to play in the next game, as a minimum.** The tournament directors may give a further suspension for violent conduct.

Failure to begin a match, complete a match, or a team leaving the field of play shall result in a forfeit to the opposing team by a score of 1-0. The winner will be awarded three tournament points.

If teams are tied after preliminary games, the following tie-breaking system will be used to determine the finalist:

1. Head-to-head competition between the two teams tied.
2. Goals allowed (fewest goals against)
3. Goals scored.
4. Kicks from the penalty marks (Only the players on the field at the end of regulation are eligible to participate in the penalty kicks. The referee shall decide the goal at which all the kicks shall be taken. The team winning the coin toss shall kick first. No player may shoot more than once until all eligible teammates have taken a kick. Each team takes (5) shots, alternately. The team scoring the most goals wins.)

In the event of a tie among three (3) or more teams, the elimination procedure begins with #1, noted above. If teams remain, the tie shall be broken by repeating the above elimination procedures beginning with #1.

Championship Game

- For divisions with one Pool, only the top two teams in the Pool will advance to the championship game.
- For divisions with two pools, only the top team in each Pool will advance to the championship game.
- First Place and Second Place teams in each division will receive awards.

Conduct and Discipline

- Coaches are responsible for the conduct of their players, bench, and spectators at all times.
- If the referee must terminate a game for misconduct of players, bench, or spectators, the offending team will forfeit the game. At the Tournament Director's discretion, the offending player and/or team may be banned from further participation.
- Yellow and red card penalties will follow FIFA rules. Coaches and players ejected will be suspended for the next match at a minimum.
- **Alcoholic beverages are NOT permitted at game sites. NO smoking, No foul and abusive language.**
- **No umbrellas or canopies that require spikes are allowed.**

Forfeits

A team will forfeit if any of the following exist:

- Teams fail to check in at the required place and time.
- Teams fail to produce players ID's and or player passes
- Teams fail to report to the field with the minimum number of players as prescribed by the rules.
- Teams fail to produce an alternate jersey if listed first as the home team in case of color conflict.
- The coach gets ejected and fails to leave the field.
- The coach gets ejected and no other coach or administrator is available.
- The game is suspended due to the misconduct of players, coaches, administrators, parents, or spectators.