



2021 YSA Soccer Spectacular Official Tournament Rules

Please remember that the soccer spectacular is a preseason tournament to evaluate where your team is in relation to other teams. The tournament is designed to be fun while enjoying a competitive environment. Please do all you can to make sure this is a positive experience for all your players.

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The Spectacular is a PRESEASON TOURNAMENT. The purpose of the spectacular is for coaches to evaluate their teams for the upcoming season. The spectacular champion is not viewed as the champion for the fall season.

1) Each team will receive a minimum of 2 matches 7U and up.

2) Age groups consisting of 6 or more teams will be divided into at least 2 division pairings. One division will be known as the Blue Division and the other will be known as the Red Division.

3) Teams will advance to finals based on the Soccer Spectacular point system.

4) Age groups consisting of more than 1 division in which one of the divisions contains 4 or more teams will advance both the 1st and 2nd place team from each division into a semi-final. The 2 winners of the semi-final matches will play for the championship.

5) Matches shall consist of approximately 75% of the regular season's time limit.

- 7U/8U – 2 halves, 15 minutes each.
- 9U/10U – 2 halves, 20 minutes each.
- 12U – 2 halves, 25 minutes each.
- 14U – 2 halves, 25 minutes
- Final matches will be normal match time limits.

6) There is no overtime play except for in semi-final or final rounds.

7) If overtime is required, teams will play 2 five minute overtime periods. If the score is still tied at the end of the 2 five minute periods, the teams will take shots from the mark to determine the winner.

8) The point system for the soccer spectacular is as follows:

- Each win = 3 points.
- A tie = 2 points.
- A loss = 0 points.
- A forfeit = -1 points.

9) The tie breaker criteria is as follows:

- Head to head competition
- Bonus points accumulated (maximum of 3 per match).
- Least amount of goals allowed.
- Shots from the mark.

10) Procedure for shots from the mark.

- Each team will designate 5 players to participate.

- Players selected must have been on the field when time expired from the match.
- Each player will take a shot on the opposing team's goalie until all 5 players have taken a shot or a team has been mathematically eliminated from winning.
- If the match is still tied after each team has had 5 players to take shots, each team will send players 1 by 1 to take shots until the tie is broken. Each team must take the same amount of shots during the tie breaker process.
- The goalie for each team must be the goalie who was playing that position at the end of match time.
- No player may take more than 1 turn at taking a shot until the team has exhausted all players.

11) Each team will be awarded 1 time out per match except during championship matches. Each time out will last for 1 minute. The match time does not stop during a time out period. The referee will blow the whistle with 15 seconds remaining during the time out and then again when play is to resume. This is only a soccer spectacular rule. A team may call a time out at the following occurrences:

- Their throw in
- Their goal kick
- Their kick off
- Their direct or indirect kick

Teams may not call a time out during the following occurrences:

- Opposing teams throw in
- Opposing teams goal kick
- Opposing teams kick off
- Opposing teams direct or indirect kick
- Any corner kick
- Within the last 2 minutes or either halve or quarter
- In a semi-final or finals match.

12) The referee is responsible for turning in the scorecard from each match. Winning coaches should verify the score at the end of each match.

13) There will be absolutely no protest of any match or call. The referee's decision on all matches is final.

14) Teams that may be wearing the same colors will need to use pennies to identify each team. The home team listed on the schedule will be the team that must wear the pennies. The pennies will be located in the concession stand. Coaches are required to check out and return the pennies to the concession stand. The home team on schedule is the team listed on the left.

15) 7U coaches are encouraged to read the slide tackle rule that has been put into place for this year. The rule is located in the recreation soccer handbook which can be accessed through the link on the homepage of www.yadkinsoccer.com.

16) During the Soccer Spectacular, the recreation directors have voted to allow a maximum of 2 full matches per player or a maximum of 3 matches playing reduced times. Please remember that these are exceptions to regular season and end of season tournament rules. Regular season rules will follow the YSA Recreation Handbook while the Fall Classic will have a rules exception like this posted on the website for each coach to review