



Subject: Invitation to Second Annual Milton Youth Soccer Club Family Day Soccer Festival

Dear Ontario Teams U8 to U12,

The Milton Youth Soccer Club is delighted to extend an invitation to your competitive club teams to partake in our Annual Family Day Festival. This exciting event is scheduled for Monday, February 19, 2023, coinciding with the Family Day Holiday in Ontario, Canada.

Event Details:

Date: **Monday, February 19, 2023**

Location :

Milton Sports Dome - Craig Kielburger SS 151 Ferguson Dr, Milton, ON L9T 7V8

St. Francis Xavier Dome – St. Francis Xavier 1145 Bronte St. S, Milton, ON L9T 8B4

About Milton Family Day Soccer Festival: Our Family Day Festival is a celebration of soccer for players U8 to U12, encompassing both male and female teams. Geared towards fostering participation across the region of Peel Halton and its surrounding districts, we warmly invite your team to be a part of this enriching experience.

Key Highlights:

Emphasis on fair play in a competitive environment and adherence to Ontario Soccer LTPD.

No recording of scores or standings to encourage a positive and inclusive atmosphere.

Two matches per participating team, following the Milton Family Day Soccer Festival Rules.

Additional Festival Information:

- Open to club teams from within Ontario.
- Teams travelling from outside the district must request a Travel Permit (ATF) to attend.
- Participation is strictly limited to officially registered players and teams.
- We believe that your club's involvement will contribute to the success of this event, making it a memorable day for players, coaches, and families alike.

For further details, please refer to the attached Milton Youth Soccer Club Family Day Festival Soccer Rules. We look forward to your positive response and the opportunity to host your team at the Milton Sports Dome.

TO REGISTER: www.miltonmagic.com

Yours in Soccer,



DIRECTOR OF SOCCER

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The Milton Youth Soccer Club Soccer Festival Rules

1. Laws of the Game

All games will be played in accordance with the F.I.F.A Laws of the Game as well as Ontario Soccer Grassroots Rules. The festival will also follow the requirements outlined in the Ontario Soccer Festival Guide.

2. Team Eligibility

- a. A team will not be considered eligible until Festival registration fees are paid in full.
- b. All teams must be registered appropriately with their district association. All team officials and players
- c. A Team must be in possession of a properly authorized Ontario Soccer registration book/card at all games. Teams must all submit a district-stamped Ontario Soccer roster to the festival organizer before the festival along with an approved ATF (if applicable).
- d. Ontario Soccer identification cards will be inspected upon check-in on your festival date.
- e. Players on a trial basis with the participating team must obtain a "Trial/Guest" book or card from their association.

3. Game Sheets

Each team shall complete their game sheets and submit them to the match official (referee) before the kickoff. Each game sheet must be completed in full. Only the team officials who have signed the game sheet are allowed on the bench. Each team is allowed a maximum of 3 team officials on the bench.

4. Number of Players

- a. U8-U9: Each team may register ten (10) players.
- b. U10-U11: Each team may register twelve (12) players.
- c. U12: Each team may register sixteen (16) players.

5. Player Equipment

Player equipment shall be required as per F.I.F.A rules. In the event of similar or identical coloured jerseys, the home will be required to change to their alternative colour. The home team will provide the game ball.



6. Festival Divisions, Formations, Game Durations

Age	Date	Format	Games	Duration
U8 (Born 2016)	FAMILY DAY FEBRUARY 19 TH	5 vs 5	2	2x20 Minutes
U9 (Born 2015)	FAMILY DAY FEBRUARY 19 TH	5 vs 5	2	2x20 Minutes
U10 (Born 2014)	FAMILY DAY FEBRUARY 19 TH	7 vs 7	2	2x25 Minutes
U11 (Born 2013)	FAMILY DAY FEBRUARY 19 TH	7 vs 7	2	2x25 Minutes
U12 (Born 2012)	FAMILY DAY FEBRUARY 19 TH	9 vs 9	2	2x25 Minutes

Entry Fees

Age Group	Fee
U8 (5v5)	\$225.00
U9 (5v5)	\$225.00
U10 (7v7)	\$290.00
U11 (7v7)	\$290.00
U12 (9v9)	\$432.00

7. Field of Play and Size of Goals

- a. U8: Minimum of 25 metres in width and 30 metres in length. The field size shall not exceed 30 metres in width and 36 metres in length. The goals will be no larger than 5 feet by 8 feet.
- b. U9-U10: Minimum of 30 metres in width and 40 metres in length. The field size shall not exceed 36 metres in width and 55 metres in length. The goals will be no larger than 6 feet by 16 feet.
- c. U11-U12: Minimum of 42 metres in width and 60 metres in length. The field size shall not exceed 55 metres in width and 75 metres in length. The goals will be no larger than 6 feet by 18 feet.

8. Throw-In/Kick-In

- a. U8-U11: Kick-ins / dribble in
- b. U12: Throw-ins



10. Substitutions

All substitutions for U8-U12 will be at any stoppages during a game.

11. Offside

- a. U8-U11: The offside rule does not apply.
- b. U12 The offside rule does apply.

12. Retreat Line

The Retreat Line process will follow Ontario Soccer's procedures.

- a. U8-U9: The retreat line will be located at the halfway line.
- b. U10-U12: The retreat line will be located at the 1/3 line.

13. Disciplinary Action

Ontario Soccer's published rules on Discipline at Tournaments will apply as the Festival Discipline Rules, with the following exception:

- a. Discipline authority is delegated for player misconduct only. Any misconduct reports for coaches, other team officials or game officials shall be submitted to PHSA within 3 days of the tournament's completion.
- b. Standard Ontario Soccer penalties for player misconduct will apply in all Festivals (please refer to OS Published Rules, Section 9-Discipline). Festival Discipline Rules must comply with this requirement. (NOTE: This is the same as in Ontario Cup Tournament Rounds -- See Table 1).
- c. Unserved games will be transferred to league play by PHSA. Any player wishing to request a hearing (DBH) for the unserved games must submit a request before the end of the following week for a Discipline Hearing at PHSA.
- d. Discipline Carryover: PHSA will convene a Discipline Hearing for all Special Incident Reports and Dismissal Reports for Coaches, other Team Officials and Game Officials. Reports involving individuals from other Districts, Provinces or Countries will be forwarded by PHSA to the appropriate authority, as required.



14. Protests, Failure to Show

- a. No protests will be heard. A team will be allowed a 5-minute grace period from the scheduled kick-off time for late arrival before the game is awarded to the opponent.
- b. A minimum of 5 players constitutes a team of 7v7.
- c. A minimum of 6 players constitutes a team of 9v9.
- d. Any team that fails to show for a scheduled game will result in dismissal from the festival and the festival fee will be forfeited.



15. Refund Policy

- a. Where an age group is cancelled, a full refund will be given to each team who submitted their payment.
- b. Where an age group is not cancelled, a refund may be given to the team based on the following conditions:
 - I. If the refund request is made 21 days before the tournament, the team will be issued a refund, less the administration fee of \$50.00.
 - II. Should a division not receive their guaranteed 2 games (due to a lack of teams attending the festival, field/facilities, or COVID-19 factors) a pro-rated refund will be issued for the missing game.

16. Match Officials and Discipline

- a. Referees will be assigned by the Milton Youth Soccer Club Head of Officiating.
- b. A player accumulating a 2nd yellow card in a game (red card) or a team official ordered from the field shall receive a suspension from the next team game
- c. A player receiving 2 yellow cards during the festival will be suspended from the next game.
- d. Any player red-carded by the match official will be suspended from the next game. The Festival Committee will review the match official report and the appropriate suspension (possible additions) will be rendered in accordance with Discipline Section 9 – Table 5-12 and Policy 14.0 from the Ontario Soccer Association’s published rules.
- e. A player receiving 2 cards during the festival will be suspended from the festival.
- f. If a Team Official or player is suspended from their final game, the discipline report will be sent to their district Association for processing.
- g. In accordance with FIFA rules, no protest on a Match Official’s decision will be entertained.
- h. Any request for a Discipline by Hearing MUST be done at the end of the game. The fee to request a hearing will be collected and the hearing will be conducted at the festival by a certified discipline chair.