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APPLICATION TO HOST A TOURNAMENT OR GAMES

Name of Tournament or Games The Adidas Women's Elite Showcase Website URL: www.afclightning.org/
Hosting Organization Peachtree City Youth Soccer Association Type of Tournament: [X] Select [] Recreational [] Select & Rec
Designate Official of Hosting Organization Robert Sanford Title President Phone (404) 450-5617 W
Address 1200 Highway 74 South, Suite 6 PMB 134 Email rsanford.ptc@gmail.com Phone () H
City Peachtree City State GA Zip Code 30269 Phone () FAX
State Association or Affiliate Georgia Soccer Guest Referees Applications Accepted [X] Yes [] No
Location of Tournament or Games South Metro Atlanta area TEAM ENTRY DEADLINE: March 31, 2017
Date(s) of Tournament or Games April 28-30, 2017 Estimated # of Teams 60
Tournament or Games Director or Contact Person Angelo Yokaris Phone (770) 315-5103 W
Address 1200 Highway 74 South, Suite 6 PMB 134 Email tournamentdirectorafc@gmail.com Phone () H
City Peachtree City State GA Zip Code 30269 Phone () FAX

Table with 12 columns: Age Groups Accepted, Type(s) of Team Accepted, B, G, Roster Size, # Guest Players Allowed, Length of Games, # Players on Field, Awards, Minimum # of Games, Entry Fee, Bond. Rows include U-15, U-16, U-17, U-18, U-19 and U-1/1 categories.

*List of types of teams and tournaments is on reverse side of this form.

- [] RT RESTRICTED TOURNAMENT -Open only to members of US Youth Soccer and its State Associations.
[] Team will be restricted to teams within the state association [] Teams will be invited from all US Youth State Associations/Affiliates only.
[X] UT UNRESTRICTED TOURNAMENT Other US Soccer Members as listed: All US Soccer Members
[] Teams as listed:

The Hosting Organization agrees to be bound by and comply with the terms contained in the TOURNAMENT AND GAMES HOSTING AGREEMENT and all applicable rules of the approving State Association or Affiliate.

Signature of Designated Official of Hosting Organization

Robert M. Sanford

Date 1/3/2017

APPROVAL

(For Official Use Only) STATE ASSOCIATION OR AFFILIATE

Georgia Soccer

Date 1/9/17

By

Kelsey Barnard

Title

RECOMMENDED DEFINITIONS OF TEAMS AND TOURNAMENTS

(Place corresponding letter in appropriate space on application.)

TYPES OF TOURNAMENTS

UT UNRESTRICTED TOURNAMENT: A tournament that is open to all Federation affiliated participants. Any tournament that allows international participants must be an Unrestricted Tournament.

RT RESTRICTED TOURNAMENT: A tournament that is open only to members of US Youth Soccer and its State Associations.

SELECT TEAMS (teams formed by a selection or tryout process):

- S1 generally a team which competes at the highest level of play in a state or region
- S2 generally a team which competes at other than the highest level of play in a state or region
- S3 generally a team which competes in a local area or state

TOURNAMENT SELECT TEAMS

- S4 a team which is put together for the sole purpose of playing in a tournament or other sanctioned non-league competition, whose roster includes select players who are members of one club.

RECREATIONAL TEAMS

- RT a team which was formed in a random nature without regard to players' abilities.

US YOUTH SOCCER OLYMPIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

ODP TEAM: the official US Youth Soccer Olympic Development team of US Youth Soccer, any of its regions, a State Association, an Affiliate, other Organization Member, or any district or geographical subdivisions thereof.

NATIONAL TEAM: the official national team of US Soccer or any other member of FIFA.

APPLYING TO HOST RESTRICTED TOURNAMENT(S) OR GAME(S)

These procedures apply when hosting **ONLY** US Youth Soccer State Association or US Youth Soccer Affiliates teams for tournaments or games.

Applications, agreements to host and other required information must be submitted as provided by the designated approving association or affiliate to include:

Not later than the date established by the State Association or Affiliate for submitting an *Application to Host a Tournament or Games*, the hosting organization must submit to its State Association or Affiliate and, if any game is to be played in another State Association or Affiliate, to that other State Association or Affiliate, for approval a completed *Application to Host a Tournament or Games* signed by the designated official of the hosting organization and the following items:

- a) a completed US Youth Soccer *Tournament or Games Hosting Agreement*, with appropriate supporting documents and information, signed by the president or chief officer or designee of the hosting organization and by the tournament or games director;
- b) a copy of the approved Rules for the Tournament or Games; and
- c) any fees required by the State Association or Affiliate for processing the application. **Incomplete applications will be returned and considered as not having ever been submitted.**

The State Association or Affiliate is not required to approve any application not submitted by the deadline established by the State Association or Affiliate. Any application which is not submitted in a timely manner may be subject to late fees if approved. The team must contact its State Association for its specific policies and fees.

The State Association or US Youth Soccer Affiliate shall make a determination as to whether or not they will sanction the tournament or games in accordance with the policies they have established within their organization for the sanctioning of tournaments or games.

APPLYING TO HOST UNRESTRICTED TOURNAMENTS INCLUDING INTERNATIONAL TEAMS (TEAMS FROM OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES) AND OTHER FEDERATION ORGANIZATION MEMBERS

The provisions below are **in addition** to those required as stated in Section 4 above for hosting a tournament. All provisions stated in Section 4 above must also be complied with. For all Tournaments and games involving international teams the Rules for the Tournament or Games:

- a) Must provide for a point system of 3 points for a win, 1 point for a tie, and no points for a loss.
- b) In any age group older than 16 years of age, the Rules MUST specify FIFA limited substitution rules;

The completed US Soccer forms Application to Host a Tournament or Games Involving Foreign Teams and Certification Regarding Compliance with the Ted Stevens and Olympic Amateur Sports Act, must be submitted and approved by the hosting State Association or US Youth Soccer Affiliate and any additional fees required by the State Association, Affiliate and/or the United States Soccer Federation for processing the application.

For all teams that are not members of US Youth Soccer or a US Youth Soccer Affiliate, Proof of medical and liability insurance must be provided by their organization of registration



PROCEDURES FOR HOSTING A TOURNAMENT OR GAMES INVOLVING U.S. YOUTH TEAMS

PROCEDURES FOR HOSTING A TOURNAMENT WITH US YOUTH SOCCER AFFILIATED TEAMS

No later than ninety (90) days in advance of proposed date(s) of tournament, **SUBMIT ALL** of the following to the Georgia Soccer office:

1. A completed *US Youth Soccer Application to Host a Tournament or Games* form (photocopies are now accepted). All blanks must be completed or N/A must be written. Please highlight the telephone number(s) for the tournament director that you would like published for the public. If there is a website or web address you would like to have listed, please include this information on the application.
2. A completed *US Youth Soccer Tournament/Games Hosting Agreement*. The signature of the on-record president of the hosting league/club **MUST** appear on this form. If the president desires to delegate signature authority to another individual within the league/club, a letter (signed by the president) granting this authority must accompany the application/hosting agreement signed by anyone other than the president.
3. A statement of acceptance for **ALL** Georgia Soccer-youth rules (**THIS IS NOT THE SAME AS FIFA RULES**), including participation, must be included in the copy of official rules submitted with the hosting application; any and all exceptions must be specifically noted, with reference to the number of each rule excepted. Failure to include this statement in the application materials submitted will delay the application's review/vote by the Georgia Soccer Tournament Committee.
4. Fee(s) to host a tournament or games made payable to Georgia Soccer. Late fees are based on the first date for which a tournament or games approval is requested.

Timely submission - more than 90 days prior to event	\$250 security deposit.
Late submission - less than 90 days/60 days or more prior to event	\$250 + \$50 late fee (non-refundable)
Late submission - less than 60 days/30 days or more prior to event	\$250 + 100 late fee (non-refundable)
Late submission - less than 30 days prior to event	\$250 + 200 late fee (non-refundable)

BOND MAY BE DEPOSITED UPON RECEIPT. BOND REMAINS VIABLE FOR REFUND UPON COMPLETION OF THE STIPULATED PAPERWORK.

5. Mail **ALL** information (items 1-4) to: **Georgia Soccer, 2323 Perimeter Park Drive NE, Atlanta, Georgia 30341.**

IF ANY OF THE INFORMATION REQUESTED IN 1- 4 ABOVE IS NOT COMPLETED OR NOT SUBMITTED, YOUR REQUEST COULD BE MAILED BACK TO YOU OR THE REVIEW OF YOUR REQUEST BY THE GEORGIA SOCCER TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE COULD BE DELAYED.

PROCEDURES FOR HOSTING A FRIENDLY GAME WITH ANY NON-GEORGIA SOCCER-AFFILIATED U.S. TEAM (to include non-US Youth Soccer-affiliated U.S. teams such as college teams)

SUBMIT ALL of the following to the Georgia Soccer office:

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2. A completed *US Youth Soccer Tournament/Games Hosting Agreement*. The signature of the on-record president of the hosting league/club **MUST** appear on this form. If the president desires to delegate signature authority to another individual within the league/club, a letter (signed by the president) granting this authority must accompany the application/hosting agreement signed by anyone other than the president.
3. A statement of acceptance for **ALL** Georgia Soccer-youth rules (**THIS IS NOT THE SAME AS FIFA RULES**), including participation, must be included in the copy of official rules submitted with the hosting application; any and all exceptions must be specifically noted, with reference to the number of each rule excepted. Failure to include this statement in the application materials submitted will delay the application's review/vote by the Georgia Soccer Tournament Committee.
4. No bond and late fee are required. All US Youth Soccer fees for applications for "friendlies" with foreign teams will apply.
5. Mail **ALL** information (items 1-3) to: **Georgia Soccer, 2323 Perimeter Park Drive NE, Atlanta, Georgia 30341**

IF ANY OF THE INFORMATION REQUESTED IN 1-3 ABOVE IS NOT COMPLETED OR NOT SUBMITTED, YOUR REQUEST COULD BE MAILED BACK TO YOU OR THE REVIEW OF YOUR REQUEST BY THE GEORGIA SOCCER TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE COULD BE DELAYED.

No paperwork or bond will be required for "friendlies" with other Georgia Soccer-affiliated teams. Just as with practice scrimmages, the appropriate conduct/risk management (i.e. mixing of genders/ages/competitive levels and adequate supervision) of these activities is a league/club responsibility.

Do remember that under the current rules, if the "friendly" is a regulation match with a referee (not a stop & start practice scrimmage with coaching) that any cards/cautions/ejections for players/coaches must be reported to the state by the referee on the game incident report. Since the "friendly" is a sanctioned match, the cards/cautions/ejections are included in the cumulative totals for individuals and teams. They are subject to review/action by the Georgia Soccer Discipline & Protest committee.

WHAT WILL HAPPEN WHEN I MAIL OR DROP OFF MY MATERIALS?

When all of the above paperwork and appropriate fee(s) (if applicable) are submitted, the Georgia Soccer Tournament Committee will review and vote to approve or disapprove the request to host a tournament or games.

The Georgia Soccer Tournament Committee meets the third Wednesday of every month. Please plan to submit your paperwork no later than the Monday before the meeting

Upon completion of the tournament or games the following must be completed and submitted within 90 days following the event in order for the Georgia Soccer Tournament Committee to approve a request to refund the bond. There will be no refunds after the 90-day period.

1. A completed *Post-Tournament Report*.
2. A completed *Tournament Game Incident Report*.

Mailing labels for advertisements to Georgia teams are available through Georgia Soccer. A written request specifically noting which labels are needed should be sent to the office via mail, e-mail, or fax.

PROCEDURES FOR HOSTING A TOURNAMENT OR GAMES INVOLVING FOREIGN TEAMS: Separate procedures, forms, and fees are required. Please acquire the appropriate package of information.



US Youth Soccer

TOURNAMENT OR GAMES HOSTING AGREEMENT

In consideration of permission being granted to AFC Lightning to hold a tournament or games at Peachtree City YSA Peachtree City Georgia (Hosting Organization) (City) (State)

on the dates of April 28-30, 2017, we agree to the following conditions:

ABIDE BY RULES: We shall abide by all statements made in our approved US Youth Soccer Application to Host a Tournament or Games, in our tournament invitation, in our tournament rules, in the US Youth Soccer Travel and Tournament Policy and in this US Youth Soccer Tournament or Games Hosting Agreement. We agree that all decisions regarding acceptance of teams into a tournament shall be fairly and impartially made and shall not be based upon race, creed, color or national origin and that we will not advertise by any means the tournament or games until all approvals are received.

INVITATIONS: The tournament or games approval form shall accompany all tournament or games invitations distributed.

HOUSING: We agree that we will not require a team to use only accommodations approved or provided by the hosting organization or other organization, unless disclosure is made on the tournament application form of the required hotel/motel names and the guaranteed rates.

PROCURING LIABILITY INSURANCE: We have procured liability insurance coverage for the tournament or games with limits of not less than \$1,000,000/\$2,000,000 which names the State Association or Affiliate with which the Hosting Organization is a member. A copy of the certificate of insurance, IF REQUIRED, is attached, issued by

REQUIRING MEDICAL AUTHORIZATIONS: We shall require all teams participating in the tournament or games to provide medical releases for each player in an appropriate form. These authorizations shall be reviewed by the Hosting Organization at registration and kept in the possession of a team official.

ADVANCE PUBLICATION OF RULES: We agree that our tournament or games rules shall be included with the invitation sent to each team and shall, again, be published to all teams accepted prior to the start of the tournament/games.

CREDENTIALS CHECKS: We agree that we shall conduct credentials checks to ensure that all players are registered with US Youth Soccer or US Soccer or a member thereof or their national association, properly rostered with their team, and participating in accordance with representations set forth on the US Youth Soccer Application to Host a Tournament or Games. We agree that we will not modify or mark in any way original rosters or member passes; and will not register any player, coach, or team official or issue any member pass.

USE OF US SOCCER REGISTERED REFEREES: We agree that we shall use for all games only US Soccer registered referees who are in good standing (unless US Soccer has granted a waiver to allow the use of authorized referees from another country), and shall use a one- or 3-referee system. We intend to use a 3-referee system for the following age groups: U15 through U19 Girls. There will be an adequate number of US Soccer registered referees available in the area during the tournament or game dates to cover the scheduled games. We have selected the following assignor to assign referees for the tournament or games (NOTE: ONLY US Soccer certified assignors may be used.):

Name Bryan McDermott Phone (770) 315-4906 C
Address Email Phone () H
City State Zip Phone () Fax

AVAILABILITY OF POLICE AND RESCUE SERVICE: We have notified the local police, ambulance, and emergency rescue services of the date of the tournament or games and the times and fields which will be used for games, and have been advised by them that they will be available to render assistance if needed. We will use the following method(s) of contacting emergency services:

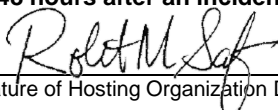
TOURNAMENT OR GAME RULES – BEHAVIOR: We agree that our tournament or game rules contain provisions ensuring that the behavior of teams, players, coaches, and spectators is appropriately controlled, including specific provisions that—

- Spell out the disciplinary measures to be imposed for the issuance of red and yellow cards or other improper conduct;
- indicate what procedures will be followed regarding protests and appeals;
- indicate that all disciplinary measures imposed by hosting organizations shall be limited to placing restrictions upon an individual's group participation in the tournament/games;
- record the issuance of all red and yellow cards and other matters involving the conduct of a team, its players, coaches, and supporters and also report them immediately to the home State Association and the home club/league of the team; and
- state that the home State Association or member thereof and the home club or league shall, except in the case of referee assault or abuse, have the responsibility for imposing, should circumstances warrant, additional penalties within their respective jurisdictions with regard to any matters arising from the tournament or games.

TOURNAMENT CANCELLATION: We agree that our tournament or game rules shall state what refunds, if any, shall be made to participating teams if all or a portion of the tournament or games is cancelled by the hosting organization for any reason.

POST TOURNAMENT OR GAMES REPORT: We agree that we shall file any required Post Tournament or Games Report with the State Association or Affiliate granting us permission to host this tournament or games within 30 days after the conclusion of the tournament or games. We understand that failure to file the report may preclude the tournament/games host from receiving approval for any tournament/games for the following seasonal years until the report is filed. The Post Tournament or Games Report shall include the following information:

- the number of teams participating in each age group (boys and girls);
- if a champion is determined, the name of the champion for each group;
- the number of teams from each State Association, Affiliate, other Organization Member, or foreign country;
- if "Sportsmanship Awards" are given, the criteria for the award and to whom awards were given;
- the number of fields used for the tournament/games;
- the name of the sponsor, if any; and
- the names and teams of all players issued red and yellow cards, and details of any other matters involving the improper or unsporting conduct of a team, its players, coaches or supporters. **NOTE: Any incident of referee assault or referee abuse by a player, coach, manager, club official, or game official must be reported to the alleged offender's home State Association, or member thereof immediately, but in no event later than 48 hours after an incident of referee assault or abuse.**



 Signature of Hosting Organization Designated Official

 January 3, 2017

 Date

 Signature of Tournament or Games Director

 Date

Hosting Organization Peachtree City Youth Soccer Association Phone (404) 450-5617 W
 Address _____ Email _____ Phone () _____ H
 City Peachtree City State GA Zip 30269 Phone () _____ Fax

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 City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone () _____ Fax