



Washington Youth Soccer State Championships Substitution Rules

MEMO

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To: Association Registrars & Presidents, Referee Assignors, State Championship Teams

CC: Regional Club SubCommittee (RCS), SYRA

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Re: Substitution Rules for the State Championships

As we begin the 2012 US Youth Soccer Washington State Championships games for the boys U15 and above, I want to clarify the substitution rules. These should be used for the entire event (from preliminary matches through the finals, excluding any play-in matches).

Per the approval of the RCS and SOC and in accordance with US Youth Soccer National Championship Series rules, the State Championships will apply the following substitution rules:

- a. For the U14 age group and below, unlimited substitutions shall be allowed; and
- b. For all other age groups, a maximum of 7 substitutions for each team shall be allowed in each game during each half of play and during overtime play. After leaving the game during a half of play, the substituted player may not re-enter the game during that same half of play. After leaving the game during overtime play, the substituted player may not re-enter the game.

All games in the Founders Cup, Challenge Cup, and State Championships U14 and below still allow for unlimited substitutions. As an additional, convenient reminder, the substitution rules will be listed on the right hand bar on the Match Reports as well.

The referee will instruct teams on the proper procedure for substitutions. The referees will check-in all players before the game and keep only the passes of the starting 11. When a substitute player checks-in at midfield, he or she should then present their pass to the Assistant Referee. At the completion of the first half, the Assistant Referee will provide all passes back to the coach or team manager and repeat the same procedure for the second half and overtime (if applicable).