

NORTH COAST SECTION/LES SCHWAB TIRES SOCCER CHAMPIONSHIPS
GAME ASSIGNMENT INFORMATION

Eligible Associations

1. Associations must be accredited by the California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) in order to officiate NCS/Les Schwab Tires Championship events.
2. Assignment of first round, second round, semi-final and final games is based upon the percentage of schools serviced by the association (percentage of schools serviced x number of playoff games = number of assignments). The number of assignments is rounded up or down to the nearest whole number as determined by the NCS Coordinator of Officials or by the person designated by the NCS to allocate the assignments. Assignments are on a per-season basis and do not carry forward to other seasons of the same sport during the school year or to the subsequent school year.
3. An association must service at least three schools during the season to receive a semi-final assignment and at least five schools to receive a final assignment.
4. Assignment of final games shall be rotated among eligible associations that service schools in the assigned Classifications. Pursuant to Section 507 of the NCS Constitution & General Bylaws, an association representative must attend all scheduled Soccer Officials Coordinating Committee Meetings.
5. Associations shall provide a referee and two assistant referees for each game. The Alternate Official for final games shall be provided by the assigned association unless other arrangements are made with the NCS Coordinator of Officials.
6. Only nominated officials who meet the minimum criteria may be used in NCS/Les Schwab Tires Championship games. The assigner of each association is responsible for avoiding conflicts between officials and the participating teams. Associations assigning non-nominated officials shall lose an assignment the following year in the round the official works. If the assignment is in the finals, and the association is not scheduled for a final assignment the following year, the association shall lose a semi-final assignment.
7. Association assigners must provide the NCS Coordinator of Officials with the names of officials working each game at least 24 hours in advance of the game.

Nominated Officials

1. Each officials association shall post an alphabetical list of their recommended officials on the North Coast Section (NCS) website on or before **Friday, April 9, 2010** (Form A). Only nominated officials may be used in championship events. (www.cifncs.org/officials/NCSchampionships/soccer)

2. Each nominated official shall complete and submit the Game Officials Assignment Eligibility Form posted on the NCS website on or before **Monday, April 26, 2010** (Form C).

Game Assignments

1. Officials may be assigned to more than one playoff game and may be assigned to games by more than one officials association.
2. An official assigned to a final game should not be assigned to a first round, second round, or semi-final game involving the same classification and gender. The NCS does not want an official to officiate the same team more than once during the tournament.
3. An official assigned to a semifinal game may be assigned to a first round or second round game in the same classification if the game is in an opposite bracket.
4. An official assigned to a second round game may be assigned to a first round game involving the same division and gender if the game is in an opposite bracket.
5. All official assignments are subject to the review and approval of the North Coast Section.
6. Officials may not work a game involving a team where there is a conflict because of past or current employment, school attendance, etc. Each official must complete a Game Officials Assignment Eligibility Form in order to officiate a NCS playoff game. Only nominated officials may be used in NCS/Les Schwab Tires championship events.
7. The assigner of each officials association must avoid assigning officials who have a conflict with one of the participating teams, or to games where one of the participating teams has submitted a form indicating the official is unacceptable.
8. The assigner for each officials association is responsible for informing their officials as to the date, time and location of the assigned game and travel directions for getting to the game site. Directions to the schools can be obtained by logging on to the NCS website and going to “Directions” for the address of the school. Then go to www.mapquest.com for a map to the school/field.

Game Administration

Arrival Time – Officials are to be at the game site at least one hour prior to the start of the game and are **to check in with the Site Administrator**. The Site Administrator will have game cards that the Referee should complete and give to each of the participating

coaches. The Site Administrator will also have the payment voucher that each official must sign.

Game Fee – The Referee will be paid \$68.00 and the Assistant Referees (Line Officials) will be paid \$53.00. For Championship Games, the alternate official will be paid \$37.00.

Home Team – The NCS shall determine which team is the home team.

Sportsmanship Meeting – Prior to the start of each game, a sportsmanship meeting will be held with the administrators-in-charge, coaches, captains of each team, officials, cheerleader advisors, cheerleader captains and student representatives of the participating teams. The home school administrator will conduct the sportsmanship meeting.

Administrator-In-Charge – Each school must have an Administrator-In-Charge. The Site Director will contact the NCS Office if a team does not have an Administrator-In-Charge. The officials shall not begin the game until the Site Director has contacted the NCS Office and thereafter directs the officials to begin the contest.

Roster – Each coach shall turn in a complete roster with names and jersey number to the Referee fifteen (15) minutes before the scheduled game time.

Game Ball – The official game ball for the 2009-10 NCS/Les Schwab Tires Soccer Championships is the Molten FX 1000 or any Molten ball that meets the National Federation Soccer Rules Book specifications. **The game must be played with an official game ball. No other ball may be used.**

Official Time – The Referee shall keep the official time on the field. Time may also be kept on a stadium clock.

Ejected Players/Coaches – The number(s) of the player(s) and the name of coaches who are ejected from the game must be reported to the **NCS Assistant Commissioner (Bri Niemi)** within twelve (12) hours of the game. Please leave a message at (925) 866-8400 x15 or email bniemi@cifncs.org. Please submit a game report if a player/coach is ejected.

Overtime Procedure - When the score is tied at the end of regulation time, the referee will instruct both teams to return to their respective team areas. There will be five minutes during which both teams may confer with their coaches, and the head referee will instruct both teams as to the proper procedure.

1. There shall be two, **if necessary**, 10-minute “sudden win” overtime periods. The first team to score during either 10-minute “sudden win” overtime period will be declared the winner.
 - a. A coin toss shall be held as in Rule 5-2-2(d.3).

- b. At the end of the first 10-minute overtime period, teams shall change ends.
 - c. There shall be a two-minute interval between periods.
 2. If the score remains tied after the two (10-minute overtime periods), all coaches, officials and team captains shall assemble at the midfield line to review the procedure as outlined for penalty kicks in the NFHS Soccer Rulebook until a winner is declared.
 - a. The head referee shall choose the goal at which all of the kicks from the penalty mark shall be taken.
 - b. Each coach will select any five players, including the goalkeeper, on or off the field (except those who may have been disqualified) to take the kicks.
 - c. A coin toss shall be held as in Rule 5-2-2(d.3). The team winning the toss shall have the choice of kicking first or second.
 - d. Teams will alternate kickers. There is no follow-up on the kick.
 - e. The defending team may change the goalkeeper prior to each penalty kick.
 - f. Following five kicks for each team, the team scoring on the greatest number of these kicks shall be declared the winner.
 - g. Add one goal to the winning team score and credit the team with a victory. An asterisk (*) may be placed by the team advancing to indicate the advancement was the result of a tie breaker system.
3. If the score remains tied after each team has had five kicks:
 - a. Each coach will select five different players than the first five who already have kicked to take the kicks in a sudden-victory situation, wherein if one team scores and the other team does not score, the game is ended without more kicks being taken. If a team has fewer than ten available players at the end of the first set of kicks from the penalty mark due to either injuries or disqualification, the coach must use all players who have not participated in the first five kicks. The coach may choose additional players from the first five kickers to ensure that five different players participate in the second set of kicks.
 - b. If the score remains tied, continue the sudden-victory kicks with the coach selecting any five players to take the next set of alternating kicks. If a tie remains, repeat 3-a.
4. During all tie-breaker penalty kicks, the ball remains alive until its momentum is spent, it goes out of bounds, or it is retouched by the kicker.
5. A winner shall be determined for all NCS/Les Schwab Tires Soccer Championship games.