

2012 NORTH COAST SECTION/LES SCHWAB TIRES SPRING SOCCER CHAMPIONSHIPS

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* * * IMPORTANT SPRING SOCCER INFORMATION * * *

FRIDAY, APRIL 6, 2012

Deadline for each **officials' association** to electronically submit Form A, their association's alphabetized list of recommended officials, using the interactive form on the NCS website (www.cifncs.org/officials/). NCS will post the list of recommended officials on the soccer home page so that coaches may complete Form B to submit to the NCS Office.

MONDAY, APRIL 23, 2013

DEADLINE for the following items:

- TEAM ROSTER submitted via website
- EVALUATION OF OFFICIALS' FORM (www.cifncs.org/sports/soccer/)

NOTE: Two (2) bonus complimentary tickets will be provided to those coaches that comply with the deadline of returning their team roster and officials' evaluation form in the proper format and according to the instructions.

STEPS TO SUBMIT ROSTER:

- Go to the soccer homepage at www.cifncs.org/sports/soccer/
- Click on ROSTER INPUT
- Input ALL information and submit
- Check to ensure that the NCS has received your roster by going to the soccer home page (www.cifncs.org/sports/soccer/) and clicking on "Championship Forms Verification".

FRIDAY, MAY 11, 2012

Final date for league competition. Deadline for determining league champions.

Final date for submission of automatic/at-large applications to the NCS/Les Schwab Tires Championships (**ALL APPLICATIONS NEED TO BE SUBMITTED VIA THE WEB BY 10:00 PM FOR CONSIDERATION**).

STEPS TO SUBMIT AUTOMATIC/AT-LARGE APPLICATION:

- Go to the soccer homepage at www.cifncs.org/sports/soccer/
- Click on AUTOMATIC/AT-LARGE APPLICATION
- Input ALL information and submit
- Email (bniemi@cifncs.org) or fax (925-263-2120) application to host (www.cifncs.org/sports/soccer/)
- Check to ensure that the NCS has received your forms by going to the soccer home page (www.cifncs.org/sports/soccer/) and clicking on "Championship Forms Verification"



SATURDAY, MAY 12, 2012

At-Large & Seeding Meeting – COACHES DO NOT ATTEND. The selection and seeding meeting will be conducted as a closed meeting. NCS member schools have authorized the use of one committee comprised of representatives from NCS Conferences. Each committee will be responsible for the selection of the at-large teams and seeding of each tournament. The committees have been selected and committee members are currently monitoring the soccer competition of NCS member schools. Tournament brackets will be posted on the NCS website as they are developed.

MATERIALS FOR HOSTING

When brackets are posted Saturday, May 12, 2012, a hosting school representative must pick-up game materials at the NCS office (12925 Alcosta Blvd., Suite 8, San Ramon) between the hours of 1:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. Game materials include the gate bag for the game you are hosting, soccer balls and team certificates for you and your opponent. Team packets are online only.

SCHEDULED DATES AND TIMES

WEDNESDAY, MAY 16 - 1st ROUND GAMES -League champions or higher seed host.

GAME TIMES: If afternoon games: 3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. for doubleheaders or 5:00 p.m. for a single game. If evening games: 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. for doubleheaders or 7:00 p.m. for a single game.

FRIDAY, MAY 18/SATURDAY, MAY 19 - QUARTERFINALS - League champions or higher seed host.

GAME TIMES: If afternoon games: 3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. for doubleheaders or 5:00 p.m. for a single game. If evening games: 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. for doubleheaders or 7:00 p.m. for a single game (FRIDAY). Saturday game times TBA.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 23 - SEMIFINALS - League champions or higher seed host.

GAME TIMES: If afternoon games: 3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. for doubleheaders or 5:00 p.m. for a single game. If evening games: 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. for doubleheaders or 7:00 p.m. for a single game.

FRIDAY, MAY 25/SATURDAY, MAY 26 - FINALS - Site TBA.

GAME TIMES: TBA.

CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES FORMAT

19.303H Minimum Qualifying Record

To be accepted as a participant in the NCS/Les Schwab Tires Soccer Championships, a team shall have compiled an overall record of at least an equal number of wins and losses or at least an equal number of wins and losses in its own league. Exception: league champions gain automatic entry. (*Board of Managers 5/1/06*)

a. Games against teams outside of the United States will not be counted in determining the qualifying record.

19.304H Automatic Qualification of League Champion

Each league's championship school shall automatically qualify for its (school's) respective NCS/Les Schwab Tires Soccer playoff classification.

QUALIFICATION TO EVENT

Spring Championship Series- (19.305H)

a) The girls NCS/Les Schwab Tires Spring Soccer Championship Series is a single elimination bracket, up to 16 teams.

b) Each league's championship school shall automatically qualify* for the NCS/Les Schwab Tires Soccer playoffs. Schools in the Bay Counties League East, Bay Counties League West, Bay Counties League Central (if conducted) and Marin County leagues shall be eligible to qualify.

c) After each league championship school has been accepted as an entry (automatic qualifier*), any remaining berths shall be filled with at-large teams who apply to the NCS at-large & seeding committee and have a minimum qualifying record.

CRITERIA FOR AT-LARGE SELECTION

The criteria for selection of at-large teams for NCS/Les Schwab Tires Championship Series in all appropriate sports shall be a balance between:

- a) Record overall
 1. League/Place co-champion
 2. League Playoff
 3. Non-league (pre-season-other)
- b) Strength of Schedule
 1. Record against top 6 opponents.
 2. List your most significant victories/defeats
 3. Head-to-head against teams which have qualified or are being considered.
 4. Record against common opponents
 5. Coaches Ranking

SEEDING

The respective Seeding Committee shall be responsible for the pairing and seeding of the NCS/Les Schwab Tires Soccer Championship Series Events per the format adopted by the Board of Managers.

SITE SELECTION

In the sport of soccer, NCS member schools host home contests during first, second and semifinal rounds provided their facility meets the minimum site criteria. (BOM 1/22/99)

- a. League Champions will have the first option to host first, second and semifinal games provided the league champion is able to comply with the facility, personnel and sponsorship criteria stated on the Application to Host form. If two league champions are competing, the higher seeded team will have the first option to host. If two non-league champions are competing, the higher seed will have the first option to host.
- b. If neither team is seeded, then the team which defeated the highest seeded team will have the first option to host.
- c. Finals will be played at sites determined by the NCS office. Staff will be allowed to adjust sites and site criteria for the maximum benefit of the respective tournament and to address the lack of appropriate facilities in the areas of the competing schools.
- d. Staff will be allowed to adjust "sites" and site criteria for the maximum benefit of the respective tournament and/or due to lack of appropriate facilities in the areas of competing schools. Criteria to be considered are as follows: size of expected crowd, keeping school's boys' and girls' teams together, gender equity, balance of divisions/classifications and facility site management.

HOSTING FIRST, QUARTERFINAL AND SEMIFINAL ROUND GAMES

League champions will have the first option to host first, quarterfinal and semifinal round games, provided the league champion's facility meets the minimum NCS host site criteria. See application to host for hosting criteria.

GENERAL RULES

The National Federation Soccer Rule Book is the governing authority in soccer.

ADMISSION

Participating schools will list team party members on a gate list. Team Party - includes coaches, administrators, faculty supervisors, team doctor, managers, statisticians and team drivers. Players listed on the gate list will be admitted as a group without a ticket. The coach must be present at the gate to identify the players.

ADMISSION FEES

General Admission (Adults) \$9.00; Special \$6.00 (Seniors, Students, & Children with Adults)

PASSES

Only the NCS Board of Managers, Management Committee, Superintendent, Honor Coach, NCS Media and Photo passes, NCS and CIF Lifetime Pass (metal) and CIF Courtesy Card will be honored at the gate. No league or school passes will be recognized for admission.

GAME ADMINISTRATION

Home Team - NCS staff and/or designee will determine which team is the home team. Although it is necessary that one team be designated as the home team, it must be kept in mind that each game belongs equally to both competing schools.

Tied Games - 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.

2. If the score still 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.

Roster-In NCS/Les Schwab Tires Championship Series competition, each coach shall turn in a complete roster with name and jersey numbers to the game's center official 15 minutes before the scheduled game time.

Soccer official timer-There shall be a three-person officiating team. The center official will keep the official time.

Suspended Games-In the event a game must be suspended because of conditions which make it impossible to continue play and less than one complete half has been played, the game will be rescheduled by NCS staff and the game will be started from the point of suspension of play.

Ejection Policy - Any act by an athlete *or coach*, which is unsportsmanlike or dangerous conduct, shall subject the student-athlete *or coach* to ejection from the contest and application of the NCS Ejection Policy will apply. The student *or coach* shall sit out the next game, at a minimum, according to the NCS Ejection Policy.

OFFICIAL GAME BALL

A Molten soccer ball will be provided by the North Coast Section. The Official Ball for the 2012 NCS/Les Schwab Tires Soccer Championships – Presented by Farmers, is the Molten FX 1000 NFHS soccer ball.

ADMINISTRATOR-IN-CHARGE

Each school, which is participating in a NCS team championship series, must have an administrative level representative or designee, in addition to the team coach, in attendance before, during, and after the event each time that the school competes. The school's principal must indicate in writing the name of the person (certificated faculty member or certified coach under Title V for public schools, contracted faculty/approved coaching staff members for private schools) provided the person is not coaching (neither the head coach or an assistant coach who is the Administrator-in-Charge (responsible for crowd control, student behavior, and injury care) whenever that school's team is participating in the respective NCS event. This letter shall be presented to the Site Director when the person reports to the Site Director as instructed at the orientation meeting.

Note: The Administrator-in-Charge Registration form may be signed by any school administrator (vice principal and assistant principal) and/or the school athletic director. (*Board of Managers 1/23/98*)

INTRODUCTION OF PLAYERS

All players from each team will be introduced over the public address system. Each coach will send the list of players, including first and last names, number, position and grade, to be introduced to the P.A. announcer at least 40 minutes prior to kickoff time. The players to be introduced will gather behind their respective benches. Upon introduction each player will run to the center of the midfield and wait until all players have been announced. Coaches will be introduced last.

ENTRY FEES

The NCS Office will bill the respective league/conference commissioner an \$85.00 entry fee for each team from the commissioners league/conference which participates in NCS/Les Schwab Tires Soccer Championships.

AWARDS

A plaque will be awarded to the first place team. Pennants will be awarded to the first and second place teams. Medals (25 per team) will be awarded to the individual players on the first and second place teams.

SOUVENIRS

Schools may purchase NCS soccer apparel at the NCS office or online at www.cifncs.org. Coaches may use check, cash, credit card, school purchase order, requisition form and school billing to purchase souvenirs. See the souvenir order form in the back of this packet for more information.

TEAM TRANSPORTATION

Teams are not reimbursed for travel costs in spring soccer.

NCS Order Form SOCCER

(Payment must accompany all orders)

DEADLINE TO ORDER: MAY 25, 2012
THERE IS NO DEADLINE FOR ORDERING PATCHES

Description	Sizes					Unit Price	Unit Total	Shipping	Shipping Total	TOTAL
	S	M	L	XL	XXL (add \$2.00)					
T-Shirt						\$17.00		\$3.50each		
Sweatshirt (Hooded)						\$33.00		\$4.80 each		
Long Sleeve T-Shirt						\$20.00		\$3.50each		
NEW Cinch Sack						\$10.00		\$1.50 Each		
Patch, Sport (sport/year: _____)						\$17.00		\$1.50each		
Patch, Scholar (sport/year: _____)						\$17.00		\$1.50each		
Patch, Scholastic (sport/year: _____)						\$17.00		\$1.50each		
NCS Hat (circle color: Black, Navy, Tan, Red)						\$17.00		\$1.50each		
NCS Visor (circle color: Black, Navy, Grey, Red)						\$13.00		\$1.50each		
Program (sport: _____) (not available in Tennis, Golf, Badminton)						\$3.00		\$1.50each		
NCS Blanket						\$28.00		\$3.50each		
Polar Tec Vest (circle color: Black, Grey)						\$48.00		\$3.50each		
Polo Shirts (circle color: Tan, Navy, Black, Green)						\$28.00		\$3.50each		
Windshirts (circle color: Tan, Navy, Black, Green)						\$48.00		\$3.50each		
Tax (INCLUDED)										
TOTAL										

Merchandise subject to availability. All prices subject to change without notice.
***Shipping and Handling charges on TEAM orders shall not exceed actual shipping charges plus 1.5%.**

When filling out credit card orders please complete all of the following. Credit Cards will be processed the day the merchandise is shipped.

Method of Payment (circle one)	Name on card	Expiration Date	Card Number	Zip Code
Cash, Check, VISA, MASTERCARD, DISCOVER				

Home phone	Date	Authorized Signature if using P.O. or school requisition

Receipt:
Name:
Payment method:
Sport/location:
Sales person:
Date:



Address label (Please Print)
NAME:
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City, State ZIP:

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