



BC COASTAL SOCCER LEAGUE SEASON KICK OFF

The BC Coastal Soccer League (BCCSL) is set to kick off the 2023-24 season on September 9th and 10th. Almost 1500 teams coming from as far east as Chilliwack, as far west as Sechelt, and as far north of Pemberton will take to the pitch throughout the Lower Mainland in the following divisions, U11-U18 Divisions 1 and 2 and U13-U18 Division 3. New to the BCCSL this season is the addition of U11 and U12 Division 3 teams, these teams will kick off their season September 16th and 17th.

The BCCSL Staff and Board have worked hard in the background to create, wherever possible, competitive, geographically aligned divisions at each level of play offered in an effort to try and reduce travel for the first half of the season. Playing all scheduled games leading up to the Holiday Break is of utmost importance to every team registered in the BCCSL, especially for all teams registered U14-U18 as standings will be used to seed Coastal Cup and League Championships.

"We are excited for the new season." said BCCSL Chairperson Scott Fletcher "We have made some changes this year that we certainly hope will enhance the overall experience for our teams. Moving forward, the League will remain committed to continuous improvement in terms of delivering a positive soccer experience for our teams, players, coaches and officials. On behalf of the Board of Directors, I would like to wish all teams the best of luck in the 2023-24 season."

With the new season comes changes to the <u>BCCSL Rules and Regulations</u> that fall in line with the <u>BC</u> <u>Soccer Rules and Regulations</u>. Here are some of the new rule highlights.

ID Cards and Game Day Rosters

- ID Cards are required for U11-U18 Staff, and U13-U18 players by October 1st. *After October 1st players and staff who do not have an uploaded photo will not appear on the game day roster.*
- Players who are handwritten onto the game day roster are ineligible to play.
- Both teams are required to print two (2) copies of the game day roster and bring to the field

Fluid Roster Process

The Fluid Roster or FRP has had some restrictions put in place to ensure the spirit of fair play is taken into account each week. To view where players can be placed using the FRP please <u>link</u>.

Forfeits

- All forfeits will see a minimum of 5 points deducted from the forfeiting team's points in the standing.
- Fines will be assessed to the districts and once paid, 50% of the fine will be returned to the affected club.





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Coastal Cup Play In Games and Round of 32

For teams participating in Coastal Cup, play in games and round of 32 will take place in November and December. The round of 16 will begin after the season has ended.

League Championships

For teams who are not participating in the Coastal Cup, the League Championship will be held after the Holiday Break.

Important Dates

The League Calendar has been published online for a while, it can be viewed <u>here</u>.

Schedules

Schedules are now available for U11-U18 Division 1 and 2, U13-U18 Division 3. To view the schedules, please visit our <u>website</u>.