

# Michel Morin Memorial Soccer Tournament 2021

Hosted by Riverview Soccer Association

Aug 28-29, 2021



## Tournament Rules

### 1. ELIGIBILITY

All participating teams **MUST** be currently registered with their provincial association.

All teams outside the jurisdiction of Soccer New Brunswick must present an authorized travel permit from their governing body. Participating teams are required to submit their official roster before July 1st, and list any affiliated players that will be attending the tournament.

The Tournament Committee and Riverview Soccer Association will not be liable for any injuries to any participant in the tournament on or off the fields. All teams outside the jurisdiction of Soccer New Brunswick must carry and supply proof of injury and liability insurance while participating in the Tournament.

### 2. ROSTER

Team rosters will be limited to a maximum of twenty-five (25) players per team and all players may dress for any one game. All players must be registered with Soccer New Brunswick or a comparable governing body to be eligible. Proof of age must be available upon request. Players must be registered with their club to the team they are playing on in the tournament, or be an eligible affiliate from their respective club / association. Games are 11 vs 11 including keeper.

### 3. TEAM CONTACTS

Each team, upon arrival at the Tournament, shall provide the name and telephone number of the team representative at the Soccer Hut at the Dobson fields, so contact may be made by Tournament Officials in the event conditions require it. Teams shall ensure that the point-of-contact information provided is for a team official that is reasonably accessible during non-game hours.

### 4. WEATHER

a). During the round-robin series, as a result of deteriorating weather conditions, the Tournament Committee reserves the right to shorten the length of any game in an effort to ensure that all games are played. Further, if necessary, the committee may cancel any game which does not have a bearing on the final standings of any group, as a result of these adverse weather conditions.

- b). Should a game in progress be terminated due to weather conditions after the first half of play has been completed, the game shall be considered complete and the score at termination shall stand. If a game is suspended prior to the completion of one half, the Tournament Committee may reschedule the game or may cancel the game and use shoot-out procedures to determine a winner. Teams are responsible for checking with the Tournament Committee for rescheduling information.
- c) Riverview Soccer cannot be held responsible for inability to complete games due to weather. We reserve the right to adjust the schedule as required.
- d) **Lightning:** current SNB guidance will be followed under Covid rules on Lightning.
- e) **Heat:** On the turf fields, when the thermometer in the field marshal tents hits 30 degrees Celsius or more, there will be a 5 minute water break given half way through each half of the game.

## 5. READINESS TO PLAY

All teams should be at the field and ready to play for their scheduled game time. A 10 minute period of grace will be in place after which the forfeit rule will come into play.

## 6. FORFEITS

If a team is unable to field seven (7) players for at the scheduled start time, the game may be forfeited. At the discretion of the Tournament Committee, a shortened game or shoot-out may be substituted for the match. Teams must remain at the site until a decision is reached. If a forfeit is declared, the team ready to play shall be declared the winner and a score of 1-0 will be recorded. No team will be allowed to gain an advantage through defaulting a game nor shall the team that does appear be disadvantaged.

## 7. TOURNAMENT STANDINGS

a). Team will be randomly assigned to divisions for round-robin play. The round-robin standings shall be determined by utilizing the following criteria:

Points will be awarded:

Win: 3 points

Tie: 1 point

Loss: 0 points

### b). Tie Breaking Rules

- i. Winner of head to head competition (2-way tie).
- ii. Goal differential percentage.  $(\text{Total goals for} - \text{total goals against}) / (\text{total goals against})$   
(a maximum of a 5 goal spread per game will be used for this calculation)
- iii. FIFA penalty kicks (field and time to be determined by the Tournament Committee).
- iv. Playoff games will be played according to the tournament schedule (Attachment 1).

## 8. SUBSTITUTIONS

Unlimited substitutions shall be allowed according to current Soccer New Brunswick regulations. All substitutions are permitted at the discretion of the referee. Max 5 substitutions at a time.

## 9. PLAYER EQUIPMENT

It is the responsibility of all teams to bring their primary uniforms and alternate strip or pennies. In the event of a conflict of Jersey colors, the AWAY TEAM listed on the schedule shall be required to change. The Keeper's Jersey shall be distinct from those of his/her teammates, the opposing team and the referee. All players must wear shoes which conform to the requirements of FIFA Law IV. Shin guards are mandatory.

## 10. OFFICIALS

A referee will be assigned for all games in the tournament. As scheduling permits all championship games will have a referee and two (2) assistants.

## 11. DURATION OF GAMES

All round-robin and crossover games will consist of two two halves of forty (40) minutes duration for U18. Each team is guaranteed a minimum of three (4) games.

In all games, each team shall be entitled to a five (5) minute rest period at half time. Should any of the medal games end in a tie, the teams shall change ends and play two (2) halves of five (5) minutes duration, with the Silver Goal rule in effect. At the end of the first five (5) minute period, the teams shall change ends and proceed with the second half without a break unless one of the teams has scored. If, at the end of the two (2) overtime periods, the game is still tied, the game shall be decided by penalty kicks taken in accordance with the regulations laid out by the FIFA Laws of the Game. Should field time, weather or field conditions warrant, the referee and Tournament Committee may eliminate overtime and go directly to penalty kicks.

## 12. GAME BALLS

The game ball will be provided by the Tournament committee, size 5 balls are used

## 13. CAUTIONS/EJECTIONS

a) Cautions - If a player receives two (2) cautions during a game, on top of the game ejection, there will be a one (1) game suspension. If a player receives three (3) yellow cards within the Tournament, the player is disqualified from the remainder of the tournament.

b) Ejections - If a player or a team official is ejected from a game, an automatic one (1) game suspension shall be invoked against the offending individual. The suspension will be in effect during that team's next scheduled game. The Tournament Committee reserves the right to impose a longer suspension if deemed necessary. A player who receives two (2) red cards will be disqualified from the Tournament.

Misconducts will be forwarded to the district association for the offending player (s)

### **\*\*NOTE\*\***

Teams are responsible to ensure their players sit out any games they are suspended for. In the event a player who is suspended plays in a tournament game, the result of the game will be an automatic win for the opposing team at a score of 3-0.

## 14. CONDUCT OF TOURNAMENT

The referee's decision in matters concerning the application of the rules of the game and the decision of the Tournament Committee regarding conduct of the tournament shall be final.

The Riverview Soccer Association Tournament Committee relies heavily upon coaches to set a positive example of conduct and sportsmanship and to exercise the necessary control over their players and associated

## 15. PROTESTS

No protests shall be entertained. And there will be no appeals on tournament decisions.

16. No Alcohol Permitted at any of the tournament sites please.

## 17. REFUND POLICY

With 30 days or more notice, full refund, 20-30 days notice 50%, less than 20 days notice, no refund. Should a division not be offered after registration and payment has been made, a full refund will be given to teams within that division.

## 18. FIELD LOCATIONS

Tournament Head Quarters - Dobson Fields Hut.

### Dobson Fields

Bottom of Biggs Drive (behind the Byron Dobson Arena.)  
Riverview NB

Dobson 1 - Main Field - out in front of the Soccer Hut

Dobson 2 - field is closest to the river

### Brian Crease Memorial Field

56 Henderson Avenue  
Riverview, NB

There will be a Canteen and BBQ available for all games of the tournament at the Dobson Field Hut.