

NBISL 2024



NEW BRUNSWICK INDOOR SOCCER LEAGUE U13 - U15 BOYS & GIRLS



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INTRODUCTION

The NBISL (New Brunswick Indoor Soccer League) is a pilot project initiative that has been introduced to Premiership teams as a “next step” in winter programming.

This winter initiative is an exciting opportunity to extend the outdoor season for premiership teams. From January – March, NBISL teams will have the ability to play high level soccer games in preparation for their outdoor season, including a “Grand Finale” NBISL Provincials.

Facilities

Players will have the opportunity to play in New Brunswick and PEI’s best indoor facilities. The Irving Oil Fieldhouse, Moncton Sports Dome and PEI’s Norton Diamond Soccer Complex will play host to the premier players from the 2 Atlantic Provinces.



Irving Oil Fieldhouse – Saint John, NB

FORMAT

Format and volume

The NBISL is a newly formed league that takes into consideration the needs of the Premier players from New Brunswick and adjoining Provinces. The format is set as an 8-game set broken down into 4 separate competitions with each team playing 2 games per set.

The intention of the NBISL is to offer an extra volume of competition for the players who participate in premier soccer programming.

Design

The design of the NBISL schedule is in harmony with the amount of “extra training” players are already being offered in winter training programs. This game/training balance allows competing players adequate recovery, training, and competition. Field time management is a crucial component with player development schedules. That is why the NBISL offers load management weekends for players to decompress from their competitive weekend structure.

Regular season and Provincials

- Each team will complete anywhere between 6-8 games during the regular season. All game days are structured as double-headers allowing teams to complete a 2-game set over the course of 1 day.
- The NBISL will offer an exciting Provincial Championship weekend with the teams that are competing in the league.

PRINCIPLES

The NBISL has passionate soccer players, coaches, referees, clubs, and fans in its best interests.

As a league entity the NBISL strives to adhere to the following principles:

Ambitious: Offering a competitive structure and balance to enhance youth development and help transition players from winter to summer premier soccer programming.

Inspiring: Sharing everyone's excitement and passion for the game. Creating an environment where players can test their abilities and prepare for competitive tryouts in the Spring.

Connected: Offering the opportunity for clubs to assess and evaluate their premiership players and potential premiership players in a competitive and connected environment.

Balance: The NBISL offers a competitive balance for players and clubs to compete during the winter months under a very balanced schedule. The perfect blend of competition and training for all players looking forward to premier competition.

Keeping the NBISL open and accessible to the Atlantic soccer community ensures that the beautiful game and all its benefits can have a reach beyond the soccer pitch. The landscape of the soccer community is rich with success stories of kids looking to compete in meaningful matches, all the while learning life lessons that will stay with them forever.



"I think there are a lot of things that soccer does in the **communities** that transcend the soccer field." — Brandi Chastain

RULES AND REGULATION

I. **Field of play and general indoor rules**

All league games will be hosted in an indoor facility/dome that will accommodate u13 and u15 age groups.

1. NO slide tackles
2. Throw-ins from the sideline
3. Subs on the fly
4. Indirect and direct kicks will be applied by referees in accordance with standard outdoor soccer rules (FIFA laws of the game)
5. No offsides
6. When the ball hits the ceiling, the ball is played from the location on the field where the ball hits the roof but is taken from the sideline as a throw in.
7. Goalkeepers are not permitted to throw or kick the ball in the air over the halfway line without first bouncing it.
8. Penalty Kicks. The ball is placed at the top of the box (line) and a player can take a 1 step kick
9. Yards for a wall will be at the discretion of the referee (generally 3 yards or 10 feet)
10. Goal kicks are indirect kicks (so no goal can be scored from a goal kick). Corner kicks are direct kicks (so a goal may be scored from a corner kick).

II. **Players on field:**

6 players + 1 Goalkeeper all facilities.

III. **Length of games:**

Each game will have a duration of 50 minutes straight time. No overtime or Penalty kicks for any of the regular season games. For Provincials/Playoffs if a game is tied it will go straight to a 5-player shootout.

IV. **Game day rosters:**

U13/U15 Boys and Girls – Maximum 15 players.

All rosters must be submitted via Powerup prior to the first game of the season.

V. **Team rosters:**

U13/U15 Boys and Girls – Unlimited.

Teams can utilize multiple combinations of players for the NBISL games if they are registered with their club.

VI. **Discipline/Cards:**

Any discipline/suspensions/cards will be dealt with and tracked by Soccer NB as in the same manner as the NBSL.

VII. **Game division:**

The NBISL will consist of 6-8 games. With 4 teams participating in the league, away teams will play the home teams 1 extra game in comparison to their municipal neighbors.

Example: Codiac will play SJSC & Fundy 3 times and Dieppe 2 times during the season for a total of 8 games.

VIII. **Playoffs:**

Playoff seeding will be determined by order of standings. The Playoffs will be held at the NBISL Provincials on the 2nd last weekend in March each year with the NBISL host club

HOST RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Provide all game balls.
2. Provide all game sheets.
3. Collect game sheets at the end of each game and submit results to the league manager.
4. Secure host location and provide/coordinate the payment of the facility.
5. Provide on-site staff/volunteers for the league games.

SNB RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Provide referees for all league games.
2. Supply medals, banners, and prizes for Provincial Championships.
3. Manage all online content for the NBSIL including the website, player statistics and standings.
4. Award the Provincial Championships host location.
5. Ensure adherence to all NBISL rules and regulations.