



# SCROSOPPI FOOTBALL CLUB

5450 MAINWAY DRIVE, BURLINGTON, ON L7L 6A4

## 2023 EDP CANADA QUALIFIER HOSTED BY SCROSOPPI FC TOURNAMENT RULES

### General Information

Each team is responsible for knowing their schedule or any schedule changes. Team coaches or managers are responsible for communicating schedules and playoff designations to their players. Coaches/managers should check with tournament headquarters or field conveners periodically for any changes or updates, especially at the end and beginning of each day. Unless your scheduled field is not in use, players should only warm up on any adjacent field space. Teams must be prepared to play immediately following the previous game's end.

The official tournament website address is below:

<https://www.edpsoccer.com/canada-qualifier>

Note: Policies, Procedures and Rules posted on the official tournament website shall take precedence over others.

Team Managers, Coaches and Officials are asked to please ensure that you have read all rules and policies of the tournament before registering.

### Team Eligibility & Application to Enter:

- The tournament application deadline is Friday, September 8, 2023.
- Teams must be registered with their Provincial or National Association for the current playing season.
- Application to enter is made online using the GotSport tournament portal
- Teams will be accepted to play at the sole discretion of the Scrosoppi FC Tournament Committee
- Any team withdrawing after September 8, 2023, will forfeit their tournament entry fee

### Team Acceptance

Team acceptance will be provided at the sole discretion of the Scrosoppi FC tournament committee and only when all of the following requirements have been submitted and completed:

1. Paid entry fee
2. They have uploaded the approved Permission to travel (ATF) to the team's GotSport online registration account before September 22, 2023, or the division reaches capacity (Note: Travel permits (ATFs) are not required for Peel Halton clubs).
3. Evidence of medical coverage (for non-Ontario teams) for all players (including Guest and Call-Up players) and all team officials.



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## Online Check-In - Players & Team Officials

Teams must check in online by completing the following steps:

1. Enter the tournament roster
  - a. mandatory player information required: Name, Date of Birth, registration number and jersey number
2. Enter Team Officials (maximum four):
  - a. mandatory official information required: Name and registration number
3. Upload the approved roster from their Provincial or National Association for the team.
4. Upload for Call-up players the current approved club team roster they are registered with (same club)
5. Upload for Guest players a TEP or STRP for each player as per Ontario Soccer rules and regulations or equivalent as per their respective governing body.

Please complete Online Check-In by the published deadline to avoid dismissal from the tournament and forfeiture of the tournament entry fee.

Only players whose names appear on the validated team roster can play in the tournament.

No alternations or additions to the original validated roster will be permitted.

Note: Teams from soccer jurisdictions where player books/cards with photo identification are unavailable must advise the Scrosoppi FC Tournament Committee so that alternative means can be arranged to verify participants.

## On-Field (In-Person) Team Check-In & Registration

Team registration will take place on Friday, September 29, 2023, or Saturday, September 30, 2023, at least one hour before the first game of each team at Tournament Headquarters located at:

Norton Community Park  
3035 Tim Dobbie Burlington, Ontario, L7M-0M3

The following will be required at Registration:

- A fully completed Tournament Team Roster Form
- An official team roster **stamped by the club district office** and an accompanying team roster for any call-up players from within the same club
- Authorized Guest player TEP or STRP forms
- Authorized player cards (or books) for all registered players
- An authorized Permission to Travel Form (ATF) from their District Association is required for teams outside the Peel Halton District.
- Out of Province or Out of Country teams must also provide proof of insurance.

Any team that can't provide the appropriate documentation at registration will not be permitted to play in the tournament.

Approximately 48 hours before registration, each team must email their tournament registration team documentation to [info@scrosoppi.ca](mailto:info@scrosoppi.ca). This will allow the tournament committee to review the documentation,



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reach back out to groups with incomplete documents, and give them time to comply before registration and the start of the tournament.

Teams from Ontario that reside outside of the Peel Halton district and need to apply for a travel permit can apply via the link below:

<https://ctms.ontariosoccer.net/>

## **Proof of Age Eligibility & Age Groups/Divisions**

All teams must present player and coaching staff-approved Provincial or State passes, cards or books as proof of age and eligibility. All players listed on the tournament team roster must meet age requirements. All players must be eligible to play in their age group based on their date of birth as of January 1st as per the following:

Division	Year of Birth
U13	2010
U14	2009
U15	2008
U16	2007
U17	2006
U18	2005

The Scrosoppi FC tournament committee reserves the right to combine two undersubscribed age divisions.

All players (via team officials) must have their Provincial or State Player Registration Cards available with them at the Tournament. If this is requested and cannot be produced, that player will not be allowed to participate in any further games in the Tournament until it is made available for inspection.

All players must be registered with Ontario Soccer or the equivalent of their Province or Country's governing body. This tournament is open to competitive teams from U-13 to U-18.

## **Call-Up Players**

A maximum of 3 Call-Up players are permitted. Call-Ups are players (the same birth year as the players on the team or younger) from the same club/academy as the group that entered the tournament.



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## **Guest Players:**

A maximum of 3 Guest players are permitted. Guest players are registered with another club or academy and wish to participate in the tournament with a registered team. Guest players must have their player cards and an official temporary release (TRP or STRP) signed by their home club and authorized by their District.

The TEP (Temporary Eligibility Permit) and STRP (Short Term Registration Permit) Permit forms can be found on the Ontario Soccer website via the link below:

<https://www.ontariosoccer.net/forms>

## **Team Rosters & Number of Players:**

Teams will be allowed to register a maximum of 18 players. The minimum number of players to start and continue a game is seven.

## **Travel Permits:**

Teams outside the Peel Halton District must present an approved Application to Travel Form from their District Association.

## **Medical Assistance:**

All coaches' packages will provide directions and phone numbers to local emergency services.

First Aid and Physiotherapy Staff will be on-site for the entire tournament.

## **Playing Rules:**

LAWS OF THE GAME

All games shall be played following the F.I.F.A. Laws of the Game as observed by Ontario Soccer.



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## Game Duration:

The following tournaments shall not exceed the permitted time limit per day:

- Under-13/14 and above, not to exceed 150 minutes per day
- Under-15 and above, not to exceed 180 minutes per day

AGE GROUP	DURATION OF HALVES			BALL SIZE
	PRELIMINARY	SEMI-FINALS	FINALS	
U13	2 x 30	2 x 30	2 x 30	5
U14	2 x 30	2 x 30	2 x 30	5
U15	2 x 35	2 x 35	2 x 35	5
U16	2 x 35	2 x 35	2 x 35	5
U17	2 x 35	2 x 35	2 x 35	5
U18	2 x 35	2 x 35	2 x 35	5

The Half-time break will be 5 minutes.

There must be a minimum of one hour between each game played by any team.

## Home Team Responsibilities:

The home team (the first one listed on the schedule) will be responsible for supplying the game ball. The home team will be responsible for changing uniforms if there is a conflict in uniform colours.

## Game Sheets:



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Both teams must submit their completed game sheets to the referee before kick-off. Players must wear uniforms with numbers on the back corresponding to the numbers/names on the game sheet. All players must wear shin guards.



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## **Substitutions:**

Unlimited substitutions are allowed, but only at the following times and with the referee's approval.

- After a goal by either team
- At a goal kick by either team
- At the beginning of the second half, or the first and second overtime period
- On a team's throw-in
- At the referee's discretion for injury or any other circumstance in the best interest of the player
- No substitution will be allowed for any player ordered from the field by a referee.

## **Referees report:**

The referee will forward his official written game report to the FIELD CONVENOR within 1 hour of the game's completion.

## **Protests:**

The Coach or Manager may make protests which must be submitted in writing within 1 hour of the completion of the game in question and must be accompanied by a fee of \$50.00, refundable if the protest is successful. Protests regarding the referee's decision will not be heard. All decisions made by the Tournament/Protest Committee are final.

## **Determining Division Winners and Wild Card Teams (if applicable) in the Qualifying Round:**

Standings will be determined by points allocated as follows: Win = 3 points, Tie = 1 point, loss = 0, Tie Breaking Rules in qualifying Round:

If teams are tied in points, the standings will be determined by the following in declining order until the tie is broken:

Results of head-to-head competition (does not apply if 3 or more teams are tied).

Team with the most wins.

Team with the best plus/minus - total goals scored, minus goals against (max. of +3 OR -3 per game.) Least number of goals allowed

Most numbers of goals scored (maximum of 3 per game allowed)

Most shutouts

In most games, scoring a goal

Knockout competition according to FIFA penalty kick procedure.

## **Determining which teams advance beyond the qualification round:**

For the age groups with 6 and 8 teams, the top 2 teams in each division will advance beyond the qualifying round to the semi-finals, where a one-game semi-final game will be played to determine the two teams that will go to the Finals. The two winners of the semi-final matches will play a 1- game final game.

For the age groups with 4 and 5 teams, the top 2 teams will advance beyond the qualifying round to the final.

## **Determining Winners in Semi-Final and Finals:**



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If two teams are tied at the end of regulation time, there will be two 5 minutes overtime periods. The golden goal rule applies. A coin toss will determine possession of the ball. If still tied after the second overtime period, five players designated by each team will take five penalty kicks alternatively. Only players on the field at the end of the second overtime period can take penalty kicks. If still tied, alternate penalty kicks will be taken one at a time by the balance of the players on the field at the end of the second overtime period until a winner is declared.

## **Failure to Show:**

Teams are allowed a 5-minute grace period from the game's scheduled start. Following the grace period, the non-offending team will be awarded the win. Any team failing to attend a scheduled game will be dismissed, and the tournament fee will be forfeited. A result of 1 – 0 will be recorded in favour of the team who should have played the team failing to show. The Scrosoppi FC Tournament Committee shall not be held responsible for withdrawing any teams.

## **Refund policy:**

The Scrosoppi Football Club or Tournament Committee shall not be held responsible for withdrawing any teams. Once a unit has been accepted to the tournament, if it withdraws, its registration fee shall be forfeited.

In the case of insufficient teams (i.e. four) in the designated age group, age groups will be combined where appropriate or cancelled. The tournament fee will be refunded if Scrosoppi FC cancels an age group.

All teams will be fully refunded if the tournament does not run due to COVID-19-related issues or challenges.

## **Match Officials:**

All match officials will be properly registered with Ontario Soccer.

## **Tournament Discipline Rules:**

The Ontario Soccer Published Rules on Discipline at Tournaments will apply with the following exception:

Discipline authority is delegated for player misconduct only. Any misconduct reports for coaches, other team officials or game officials shall be submitted to PHSA within 3 days of the tournament's completion.

Standard Ontario Soccer penalties for player misconduct will apply in all Tournaments (please refer to Ontario Soccer Published Rules, Section 9-Discipline).

Tournament Discipline Rules must comply with this requirement. (NOTE: This is the same as in Ontario Cup Tournament Rounds -- See Table 1 attached).

The Tournament Discipline Committee will use Discipline by Review (and Discipline by Hearing where necessary or requested).

Unscheduled games will be transferred to league play by PHSA. Any player wishing to request a hearing (DBH) for the unscheduled games must submit a request before the end of the following week for a Discipline Hearing at PHSA.





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## **Discipline Carryover:**

PHSA will convene a Discipline Hearing for all Special Incident Reports and Dismissal Reports for Coaches, other Team Officials and Game Officials. Reports involving individuals from other Districts, Provinces or Countries will be forwarded by PHSA to the appropriate authority, as required.

PHSA will use Discipline by Review on all Dismissal Reports for Players who could not serve the full Mandatory Minimum suspension at the Tournament. PHSA will advise the player's club and regular league of any additional suspension imposed due to Tournament discipline carryover.

Any player (player's club) wishing to request Discipline by Hearing MUST do so before the week following the tournament ends.

In the event (based on the reports which it reviews) the PHSA Discipline Review Committee determines that additional misconduct has occurred or that a Serious Foul Play or Violent Conduct misconduct warrants more than the mandatory suspension, it shall advise the Player by way of a Discipline Hearing Notice that additional charges have been laid and a Hearing has been scheduled.

## **Mandatory Suspensions for all games played in PHSA tournaments.**

INFRACTION	PENALTY
Dismissed for receiving a second caution in the same game (neither offence directed a game official)	1 game suspension
Dismissed for receiving a second caution in the same game (either offense directed at a game official)	2 game suspension
Dismissed for offensive, insulting or abusive language (not directed at a game official)	1 game suspension
Dismissed for offensive, insulting or abusive language (directed at a game official)	3 game suspension
Dismissed for denying an opponent a goal or an obvious goal-scoring opportunity by deliberately handling the ball	1 game suspension



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Dismissed for denying an opponent a goal or an obvious goal-scoring opportunity to an opponent moving towards the players goal by an offense punishable by a free kick or penalty kick	2 game suspension
Dismissed for serious foul play	2 game suspension
Dismissed for violent conduct	3 game suspension
Dismissed for spitting at an opponent or any other person, other than a game official	4 game suspension

Team coaches and managers are expected to inform all members of their group of the following:

### **Fair Play Code for Spectators**

- I will remember that children play sports for THEIR enjoyment. They are not playing to entertain me. I will not have unrealistic expectations. I will encourage participants to do the same.
- I will respect the official's decision and encourage the participants to do the same.
- I will never ridicule an athlete for making a mistake during a competition. I will give positive comments that motivate and encourage continued effort.
- I will condemn the use of violence in any form.
- I will respect my team's opponents because no game would exist without them.
- I will avoid using inappropriate language or harassing athletes, coaches, officials or other spectators.

### **Tournament Committee:**

The Tournament Committee will be responsible for team acceptances, tournament format, game schedules, and assignment of referees.

The Tournament Committee will refund the full tournament fee, minus a \$20.00 Administration Fee, if the 2023 EDP Canada Qualifier Hosted By Scrosoppi FC Tournament should be cancelled in whole or part due to unforeseen circumstances.

The Tournament Committee will keep scores at the tournament headquarters or any field sites they designate and update standings as available.

In inclement weather, the Tournament Committee will have the authority to: relocate or reschedule games and change the duration of games. It will also have the right to cancel any game in the qualifying round that has no bearing in deciding the qualifiers for the playoff round. Any game abandoned after the first half (except playoff games) due to inclement weather will be considered official and complete.



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The Tournament Committee reserves the right to decide on all matters about the tournament.

## **COVID-19 Protocols**

All COVID-19 protocols will be followed per the rules and regulations set out by Ontario Soccer depending on the stage we are in when the tournament arrives and based on advice and guidance from the applicable Medical authorities.