



Fraser Valley Soccer League



TEAM HANDBOOK

2021 - 2022 Season

Welcome to the Fraser Valley Soccer League 2021/2022 season. The following information gives an overview to help you through the beginning of the season and some key dates and competition rules. A full list of Rules & Regulations is available at www.fraservalleysoccer.com

Divisions - League

Premier	Top 4 qualify for Provincial 'A' Cup
Division 1	
Division 2A	Top 3 in A qualify for Provincial 'B' Cup
Division 2B	Top 3 in B qualify for Provincial 'B' Cup
Division 3A	
Division 3B	
Division 4A	
Division 4B	
Masters 1	Top 3 qualify for the Provincial 'Masters A' Cup
Masters 2	Top 2 qualify for the Provincial 'Masters B' Cup
Over 45	Top 2 qualify for the Provincial 'O45' Cup

Season schedule

1st weekend of play will be September 10/11/12. The final weekend of play in 2020 will be the weekend of December 17/18/19. Play will resume in 2022 on the weekend of January 14/15/16, weather permitting.

Referees and Fees

Premier	1 Referee and 2 assts.	\$90-\$45-\$45	(\$90 per team)
Division 1 and 2	1 Referee and 2 assts.	\$80-\$40-\$40	(\$80 per team)
Masters 1	1 Referee	\$80	(\$40 per team)
Masters 2	1 Referee	\$80	(\$40 per team)
Masters O45	1 Referee	\$80	(\$40 per team)

BC Soccer Provincial Cup

Provincial Cup – Entry Fee **\$200** (Paid by FVSL)

Provincial Cup participants will now receive a travel allowance up to \$1000 per trip if you are drawn away to a VISL team on Vancouver Island.



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Match Balls

The FVSL Branded STANDARDIZED Match Ball must be used for all FVSL games, no exceptions. **The ball this season is the – ADIDAS TRO Pro - \$125 Incl. TAX (\$150 Retail)** Ball is to be presented to match official prior to all games. Replacements are available at admin@fraservalleysoccer.com
WE WILL USE THE SAME BALL DISTRIBUTED LAST SEASON.

Player Registration

Once your team has made all league required payments and administrative requirements you will receive a PASSWORD to allow you to register your players. (After August long weekend). Please review the ONLINE player registration instruction manual. It is very important that you understand these 3 points –

1. A player must be registered 24 hours prior to the scheduled game to be eligible.
2. A picture (headshot only) must be uploaded and approved.
3. Once you register a player you have spent \$50, no refunds or option to remove player. Only completed TRANSFERS can remove a registered player.

Payment Options

We now accept Cheques, E-mail Money transfers and Credit Cards. Press **PAYMENT OPTIONS** button on homepage for details.

Uniform Colours – HOME has 1st choice

Home team colours (all 3 components) should be sent to FVSL administrator at admin@fraservalleysoccer.com to be placed on website contact list – travelling team will be responsible for changing colours to avoid any colour conflicts with JERSEYS and SOCKS. Each team should travel with a 2nd set of jerseys for all games. **Bibs are NOT allowed. \$50 FINE.**

Cup Competitions

Soccer City Premier League Cup

To be played September 2021 as a round robin competition.
Winners are awarded Medals and a Team Trophy - **\$60 entry fee**



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Pakenham Cup

As the 1 and only original OPEN cup in our league All FVSL teams can enter the Pakenham Cup. Teams winning the trophy qualify for the Provincial 'A' Cup. There is no entry fee.

Winners are awarded Medals and a Team Trophy

Winner qualifies for the Provincial 'A' Cup competition (1)

Presidents GARRY KNIGHTS Cup

Divisions 2, 3 and 4 are automatically entered.

Winners are awarded Medals and a Team Trophy

Winner qualifies for the Provincial B Cup competition (1)

Masters 'A' ROB BROWN Cup

All Masters teams can choose which cup stream to play in.

Winners are awarded Medals and a Team Trophy

Winner qualifies for the Provincial Cup Masters 'A' competition.

Masters 'B' & Over 45 Cup

All Masters 2 & Over 45 teams will have a separate cup competition.

2 Finalists qualify for the Provincial Cup Masters B & O45 competitions.

Under 21 NEIL FUGE Cup

Under 21 teams are automatically entered.

Winners are awarded Medals and a Team Trophy

2 finalists qualify for Provincial U21 Cup competition.

Bradner Cup

Open, Division 4 and Masters Levels will be played this season. Weather permitting....

All Star Program

2014 introduced a new program where our Masters and Premier All Star teams will play the VISL All Stars on a rotating basis. This season the FVSL will host our friends from the VISL - Saturday January 8th 2022. Masters 1pm and Open 3pm. Location to be announced.



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Team officials

There may be no more than 6 team officials on the bench, who are either a head coach, assistant coach, manager, goalkeeper coach, trainer or authorized club official. No spectators, especially children are allowed inside the fenced TURF area and NOT inside the covered benches. Also, do not allow Suspended or Injured team personnel on the bench.

Cup Final Day – To Be Confirmed

Location – To Be Announced – Concession - Beer Garden - Pipe Band – Food Trucks
7+ Finals – Division Playoff Games - Sponsored by **Soccer City**

Awards Night Banquet – To Be Confirmed

Division MVP's	Dinner – Cash Bar
Golden Boot	Draw Prizes incl Whitecaps Tickets.
Golden Gloves	Manager of the Year
Player of the Year	Referee of the Year
Lifetime Achievement Awards	Division trophy presentations

Pre-Game Procedures – 15 min before kickoff minimum (30 minutes for Premier)

1. Match fee –given prior to match in exact cash.
2. Match Ball/s given to the referee prior to ALL games. BOTH TEAMS
3. Team Sheets – 2 copies of the complete list (printed from FVSL website) with all game information and players complete with jersey numbers on both copies.
4. ID Sheet – All player and coaches ID are to be presented to the referee.
5. Teams NOT prepared by the stated times will be reported by the referee and a fine of \$25 will be added to your team account.
6. Pre-game handshake – Teams will follow the protocol as directed by the match official. Both teams should lineup either side of the officials facing the benches. On the referees signal the home team should travel down the line and shake hands with the officials and then their opponent. This should not be rushed or amended, please comply for all FVSL games. **(#6 TO BE CONFIRMED)**

Match length

All games are as follows – 2 x 45 minute halves with a minimum 5 minute halftime. Premier should have a minimum of 10 minutes at halftime. Added time past the 90 will be determined by the match official.



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ID Cards

All players and coaches must present their player/staff ID picture to the referee prior to the match. A player is not considered registered to play unless he has uploaded a picture for the new system. Teams not showing the new ID sheet when requested face a possible forfeit. **See website tutorials detailing ID upload process.**

Forfeits

A team who cannot field at least 7 players for any game face a forfeit fine of \$250 and a result of 5-0 for your opponent. **Premier Forfeits are \$500.**

Penalty Point System

A system of penalty points is accumulated each season for your team, 1 point per yellow and 3 points per red. Teams reaching 40 points in any season are fined according to the fine structure. See website for more details.

Permits

A player registered to a club may be added to your team sheet as a single game permit to play for his club in a higher division for League games only. Clubs may use a maximum of seven (7) players on a single game permit basis.

Under-21 teams are allowed to play a maximum of two overage players per game, on permit, so long as those two players are registered with another team of the same club. These single game permits must be handed to the referee at the same time as the team lists. These permits are valid for league games only. (See website for form)

A player who is sent off (Red Card) while playing on an inter-club single game permit shall be suspended from all further play (for any team) until his hearing and suspension is served. He is ineligible for play for the entire weekend (for all teams and games) on the final game of his suspension.

Substitutions

All division are unlimited except Premier which allows 5 substitutions during the 90 minutes and unlimited at halftime. If the game has overtime the break between the 90 and overtime has unlimited substitutions. In Premier games sub slips must be used at all times. (See website permits & forms)

All substitutes shall report and/or submit a substitution slip (premier only) to the referee or assistant at midfield. To replace a player with a substitute there must be a stoppage in play and the referee must acknowledge the change. This change can happen on either teams' possession at the referee's discretion. The player only enters the field of play after the player being replaced has left the field and after receiving a signal from the referee.



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Substitutions cont.

The substituted player may leave from any boundary line. At the halftime interval the substitute becomes a player once receiving a signal from the referee to enter the field prior to the 2nd half kickoff.

Golden Boot, Golden Gloves & MVP

All divisions will be competing for a MVP and Golden Boot and Gloves award, presented at the annual awards night banquet. Totals are shown on the website after each weekend's games. This is now a TEAM award using combined SHUTOUTS by multiple GK's.

**Premier – Division 1 – Division 2 – Division 3 – Division 4 -
Masters 1 – Masters 2 – Over 45**

Closures

Home teams must provide OPEN/CLOSED information to the league. An e-mail to admin@fraservalleysoccer.com or TEXT to 778-242-3875 is required, do not leave a voicemail on the league office number. The FVSL requires a 3 hour advance notice to cancel referees due to field closure or an unplayable surface. If a match official receives no prior notification of a match cancellation, and upon arrival at the field declares or realizes the match is not playable for any reason, they will receive 50% of their match fees which will be billed to the HOME team. If you want to know if a field is OPEN/CLOSED contact the HOME team. Home team should communicate with their opponent all relevant field information when there is doubt about a field being open/closed.

Cancellation of Games

Schedule

The schedule cannot be changed randomly and teams cannot decide games will be played at a later date. All schedule changes must be approved by the FVSL. We operate with a 10 day window for required schedule changes.



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Discipline

Any player/coach who receives a red card expulsion is suspended from all activities in the FVSL immediately. You can view the ONLINE discipline list for any information regarding your hearing and/or suspension. It is the player/coaches responsibility to attend when required as posted on the discipline list. An e-mailed written submission can be forwarded to expedite your case.

Referee Abuse

ZERO TOLERANCE - Referee Abuse, Persistent Protests and Foul and Abusive Language towards match officials.

The FVSL supports the ZERO tolerance standard for Referee abuse either from players, coaches or spectators. The named Coach/Manager on the team sheet will be held accountable for control of his/her team. Persistent Protests are included in the Zero Tolerance standard.

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