



ALASKA YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION



2022 STATE CUP TOURNAMENT

Protest Form
For Alaska Youth Soccer Events

Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Division: \_\_\_\_\_

Club: \_\_\_\_\_ Team Gender: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Local Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Local Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Game #: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Opponent: \_\_\_\_\_

Reason for Protest: \_\_\_\_\_

Statement: (may continue another sheet of paper if needed)

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_

- I informed the referee and opposing coach within 15 minutes after the game that I would be appealing.
I have submitted this form within 2 hours of the end of game to headquarters.
I have submitted five (5) copies of my paperwork.
I have included a certified check or MO for \$300.00.

## Alaska State Cup Format and Rules

### Competition Management and Oversight

#### Protest Procedure:

5.1 The Alaska State Cup will be managed by a Tournament Director appointed by AYSA Board of Directors. The Tournament Director will administer the tournament under the oversight of the Alaska State Cup Committee and AYSA, and shall:

- 5.1.1 Coordinate daily competition activities.
- 5.1.2 Schedule games between teams participating in the competition.
- 5.1.3 Work with the Alaska SYRA to assign Referees for scheduled games.
- 5.1.4 Track game results (scores) and team standings.
- 5.1.5 Notify the State Cup Committee and Protest & Appeals committee, also known as the Conduct committee, of any issues.

5.2 The Alaska State Cup Committee will be appointed by the AYSA Executive Director and AYSA Board of Directors. The committee shall:

- 5.2.1 Provide clarification and/or interpretations to competition policies and rules where no policies/rules exist or are otherwise unclear.
- 5.2.2 Provide clarification and/or interpretations relating to the qualifications of competitors, any dispute, or any protest concerning the competition.
- 5.2.3 Provide recommendations to the policies and rules of the competition.
- 5.2.4 Provide recommendations regarding inclement weather concerning competition.
- 5.2.5 The decision of the AYSA officials and the Alaska State Cup Committee shall be final, not subject to appeal.

5.3 The Protests and Appeals (P&A) Committee is appointed by AYSA Board of Directors to:

- 5.3.1 Oversee disciplinary matters, including, but not limited to:
  - 5.3.1.1 Participant and Spectator Behavior
  - 5.3.1.2 Game Ejections
  - 5.3.1.3 Game Protests

5.4 The P&A Committee, also known as the Conduct Committee, reviews referee ejection reports. Ejections will be reviewed by 3:00 PM daily. The committee shall:

- 5.4.1 Assesses appropriate penalties based on published guidelines.
- 5.4.2 Post findings at tournament headquarters.
- 5.4.3 Have the authority to impose more severe penalties if warranted.
- 5.4.4 Notify coaches and players immediately of extended penalties.

5.5 Appeals of penalties in excess of posted minimums must be made according to established protest and appeals procedures. The deadline for submitting appeals is 11:00 AM on the day following the game in which the send-off occurred. If the appeal is based on a send-off from a game on the last day of the tournament, AYSA officials must receive the appeal within seven (7) days of the end of the tournament.

5.6 All questions relating to suspensions and to disputes or protest shall be deferred to the Tournament P&A Committee whose decision shall be final and binding.

- 5.6.1 To be valid and eligible for consideration, protests relating to the grounds, goal post, bars and the apparatus of the game should be in writing and submitted to the State Cup tournament headquarters prior to the start of the game.
- 5.6.2 To be valid and eligible for consideration, protests shall be lodged with the State Cup tournament headquarters within fifteen (15) minutes after the end of the game.
- 5.6.3 To be valid and eligible for consideration, protests regarding a game must be filed in writing with the P&A Committee within two (2) hours after the completion of the game in question.

5.7 All protests and appeals must have the official Protest & Appeals Form completed.

5.7.1 All protests and appeals must include the following:

5.7.1.1 A fee of \$300.00 in cash or certified check.

5.7.1.2 Five (5) copies of the protest and appeal form.

5.7.1.3 Five (5) copies of all information to be presented by witnesses.

5.8 The coach of the opposing team has the ability to write down his point of facts without seeing the other coaches written statement.

5.8.1 The coach of the opposing team has up to three (3) hours to file their points of fact or other relevant information and submit it to State Cup tournament headquarters.

5.9 The Chairman of the P&A Committee shall notify all teams and/or players of the committee's findings and possible hearing dates and times. Notification shall be via the team representative if the coach or player cannot be contacted.

5.9.1 All protest hearings will be held within 24 hours of the filing of the protest at State Cup tournament headquarters. If the protest occurs on the last day of the tournament, Alaska Youth Soccer officials must receive the appeal within seven (7) days of the end of the Tournament. The P&A Committee will be convened via a conference call.

5.9.2 The Alaska Youth Soccer state office will notify both coaches of the P&A Committee's decision.

5.9.2.1 The decision of the P&A Committee is final.

5.9.2.2 A protest may not be filed against the P&A Committee's decision.

5.10 Issues that Can and Cannot be Protested

5.10.1 Plea of ignorance to the rules of this competition is not sufficient grounds for protest or appeal.

Violators may expect appropriate action by Alaska State Cup Committee and/or AYSA Board of Directors.

5.10.2 A team cannot protest the draw or schedule.

5.10.3 A team can protest an illegal player.

5.10.4 Red cards and judgment calls cannot be appealed.

5.10.5 A referee can be protested if the referee is incompetent due to dehydration, illness, or heat stroke.

Please review the rules for the protest guidelines, this will include what can and cannot be submitted for protest.

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