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Soccer Tournament Guide

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Information for spectators including admission pricing, the digital ticketing process, programs, souvenirs, venue information & schedules can be found at: <u>AzPreps365</u>.

Media information, including policies, credential requests, broadcasting & media rights agreements can be found at: https://aiaonline.org/host-media-info

ADA Compliance information can be found at: https://aiaonline.org/files/14160/committees-ada-compliance.pdf

Emergency personnel protocols & information related to AIA postseason competitions can be found at: https://aiaonline.org/files/17188/qmp.pdf

School conference/ division/ section alignments can be found at: https://aiaonline.org/alignments/2025/activities/

All rules as stated in the National Federation Rules Book for this sport, along with the AIA Constitution & Bylaws as well as these tournament instructions apply.

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GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

The Tournament Site Director will supply the game balls for neutral sites; participants must bring their own practice balls for warm-up.

The host school, the higher seed, will provide the game balls for high seed sites.

Each team is to provide at least two ball personnel. Please report to the site Director for instructions and ground rules.

A coach must be in attendance during all practice and warm-up sessions.

All schools will allow only 30 dressed players, certified coaches, two managers, and two statisticians in the bench area.

For scoring purposes, the home team is the highest seed on the bracket, and they will be seated on the right side of the scorers' table as you face the field.

Schools are responsible to ensure enforcement; noncompliance may lead to a sanction against the school.

GAME BALLS

The official AIA Soccer balls are the Wilson Forte or Veza and must be used at all AIA State Tournament games.

STATE TOURNAMENT SCORE REPORTING

Two hours prior to start of your state tournament game, an email will be sent to the visiting and host school athletic director, as well as the host high school venue (if a neutral site) with a score reporting link. At the conclusion of the game, any of the three mentioned above may click on the score reporting link to be taken to the scores portion of their admin (upon logging into the system) to enter the game result. Results should be reported and posted immediately at the conclusion of the game.

SPIRIT LINES

Spirit Lines, cheerleaders, pom and pep bands must enter (in uniform) as a group accompanied by their sponsor, faculty member, or coach.

Official rules for spirit lines shall be of those of the current edition of the National Federation Spirit Rules Book and the AIA Constitution and Bylaws.

HIGH SEED SITE PRE-DETERMINED APPROVED BUDGETS

Please go to this <u>LINK</u> for the pre-approved budget for all high seed sites. Any change that exceeds the budget requires approval from the tournament coordinator.

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PREGAME PROCEDURE

Coaches shall be responsible for submitting a team roster and lineup to the officials 10 minutes prior to the start of the match.

The field will open one hour before the first game each day for warm ups.

Local adult school personnel, trained in the operation of the scoreboard, will be used at all tournament games and will be paid by the Tournament Site Director. Host school will also be responsible for staffing workers.

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