

LIVONIA PARKS AND RECREATION

SUMMER 2021 11v11 ADULT SOCCER

LEAGUE RULES

I. ROSTER

- a. A minimum of 11 players must be listed on the online roster in order to play.
- b. All players must be on the online roster and have signed the waiver prior to participating in any game.
- c. All team fees must be paid by the following dates:
 - i. Payment 1: \$295 entry fee by July 3
 - ii. Payment 2: \$230 fee by July 28
 - iii. Payment 3: \$230 fee by Aug. 18

II. ELIGIBILITY

- a. Participants must be 18 years of age or older as of July 15, 2021 and not enrolled in high school.
- b. No player is eligible to play on more than two teams in the same league in any one season that is sponsored by the Livonia Recreation Department.
 - i. If an individual's team are scheduled to play one another, they must play the entire game for one team, regardless of score or any incidents that occur to the opponent.
 - ii. Any player found in violation will be deemed ineligible and suspended for the remainder of the season.
 - iii. In addition, all games said player(s) participated in will be forfeited.
- c. All participants must have a valid photo ID with them while participating in Livonia Park & Recreation Adult Leagues.
 - i. If a participant is asked to produce identification and is unable to do so, they will be declared an ineligible player and the game will be an immediate forfeit.
- d. Team Managers: If your team or any of your players are playing in more than one league, it is your responsibility to determine eligibility.
 - i. Penalty: Indefinite suspension for manager and players.
- e. **The Department of Parks and Recreation reserves the right to make decisions it feels are in the best interest of the league.**

III. GENERAL SOCCER RULES

- a. 2020-2021 United States Soccer Federation Laws of the Game apply unless modified below by Livonia Parks & Recreation.
- b. Livonia Parks & Recreation will provide all game balls (size 5) for all 5v5 Adult Soccer.
- c. Teams must have a minimum of 7 players present to start, continue, and finish a game.
- d. Coed Gender Ratio: Teams must always have at least two of each gender on the field.
- e. Matches consist of two (2) 25-minute halves with a five (5) minute half-time.
 - i. There is no stoppage time applied to 5v5 Adult Soccer Leagues.
 - ii. The clock will not stop unless indicated by the official or for an injury stoppage.
 - iii. For the regular season, games may end in ties.
 - iv. For any postseason play, games immediately go to kicks from the mark to decide a winner.
 - v. Each team shall take 5 kicks from the penalty spot.
 1. Teams must alternate genders for shots.
 2. If still tied each team will alternate kicks until a winner is determined.
 3. Any player listed on the roster is eligible to take a kick from the spot.
- f. Any team who forfeits a game, regardless of reason or score at time forfeit, shall lose the game 5-0.

- g. Each team will be required to have uniforms with all team members wearing matching jerseys with manufactured numbers attached to the back at a minimum.
- h. It is at the discretion of the referee if the teams are too similar in color/shade.
 - i. If a team needs to change, the home team shall be the one to change colors.
- i. Players are required to wear shin guards, socks, and athletic attire appropriate for the sport at all times during their scheduled match.
- j. Plastic/molded cleats, turf shoes, indoor shoes, or tennis shoes are permitted to be worn.
 - i. **No metal cleats or metal tipped cleats can be worn in 11v11 Adult Soccer.**
- k. Any player receiving two cautions in the same match shall be sent-off and suspended for a minimum of the following game.
- l. Any team having a player sent-off must play a person down for the remainder of the match.
- m. Any team receiving three cautions in the same match shall forfeit the match.
 - i. A send-off counts as two cautions against the total number of cautions.

IV. GAMEPLAY

- a. **Offsides will be called for the 11v11 Adult Soccer League.**
- b. Substitution on the fly is permitted within the team's own bench area.
- c. Slide tackling is not permitted.
- d. Sliding is permitted provided there is no opponents within five yards of the individual sliding.
 - i. If a player commits a slide or slide tackle, it is at the discretion of the referee as to the restart of play.
 - ii. A minimum of a direct free kick from the spot the slide or slide tackle began shall be awarded to the opposing team.
 - iii. Depending upon the severity of the slide/slide tackle, a caution or send-off may be shown to the offending player.
 - iv. Goalkeepers may slide within their own penalty area.
- e. On all free kick restarts, the opposing team must remain 10 yards from the ball until the ball is played.

V. ALL COMPETITIVE SPORTS

- a. No alcohol, including beer, is allowed in any City of Livonia Park, Facility or any Livonia Parks & Recreation Athletic programming.
- b. Upon conclusion of each match, each team manager must sign the scorecard with the referee prior to leaving the facility.
- c. NO PROTESTS will be allowed except eligibility.
 - i. If a team manager or coach wishes to protest an individual's eligibility, they must bring it to the attention of the Athletic Supervisor as soon as possible before, during, or immediately following the game.
 - ii. If the protest occurs during the game, the team protesting must pay \$10 protest fee. If protest is upheld, team will receive the fee back.
 - iii. The player in question must produce a photo identification. If the player is found to be an ineligible player, the game will be immediately forfeit.
 - iv. If a player has a protest other than eligibility, they must immediately notify the manager of his team.
- d. If the manager agrees with the player, the manager will call a time-out at the next break in play or his next ball possession, and the manager or his designated representative only will discuss the call with the official or officials.
 - i. After such discussion the official's decision will be final.
- e. Teams which are found to have one or more ineligible players shall forfeit all games in which an ineligible player has participated.

- f. **Any team forfeiting two (2) game dates in succession or three (3) game dates during the season will be automatically dropped from the league for the remainder of the season.**
- g. Eligibility protests may be made any time until midnight of the last league game.
 - i. However, when any manager or player has knowledge of any ineligible players in the league, they must declare the information to the Athletic Supervisor immediately and not wait until a team can be eliminated from a league.
- h. No team shall be allowed to add players to its roster after the final roster date.
- i. It will be the manager's responsibility to check the rosters, contracts, and fees recorded for his team prior to the FINAL ROSTER DATE.
- j. No player shall appear on the line-up unless name is on the team roster and all fees have been paid the appropriate deadline.
- k. Each team shall be allowed one manager and two coaches.
 - i. Said manager and coaches must be acknowledged on the online rosters with the Department of Parks and Recreation.
 - ii. Any change in managership or coaches of a team must be filed in the Department of Parks and Recreation Office, presenting the name, address, phone number, and email of the new manager/coach before the next scheduled game.
- l. Managers are responsible for the following:
 - i. Player eligibility and team rosters
 - ii. Payment of umpire/official/referee fees
 - iii. Appearance and conduct of players in and around the playing area. This includes any spectators and crowds.
 - iv. Failure to manage the above responsibilities may result in forfeiture of game and if situation warrants, expulsion from the league.
 - v. In case of injury of any member of his/her team, the manager shall be responsible for any evidence or records demanded by the Department of Parks and Recreation
- m. Only team captains and managers may discuss decisions with the official(s) unless the official(s) call others into the discussion.
- n. Any manager, coach or player ejected from a game shall automatically be suspended from the next official game and is required to remove themselves from sight and sound of the facility within three minutes.
 - i. If the offense warrants, the individual may be suspended for remainder of the season.
- o. Any player serving a suspension is ineligible to participate in all Livonia Athletic leagues or programs until their suspension is complete.
- p. A player suspended may not be in the facility during his/her team's games or attend any of the league night's games until suspension is complete.
 - i. Failure to comply with this rule will result in a one (1) year suspension from all sports.
- q. The second ejection within a four month-period from the first ejection of a player, manager, or coach, from a game shall automatically result in a minimum of a three-game suspension from the date of the second ejection.
- r. The third ejection within a four month-period of the first ejection a player, manager, or coach, from a game shall automatically result in a minimum of a six-week suspension from the date of the third ejection.
- s. Before, during or after a game, players in uniform, or civilian clothes, shall refrain from abusive language or actions, smoking, fighting, or other unsportsmanlike conduct.
- t. Alcoholic beverages or any controlled substance is **NOT** allowed in the parks at any time.
- u. Any manager, coach, or player who, in the opinion of the official(s) is guilty of being the instigator of a fight shall be banned from all Parks & Recreation Adult Leagues for the remainder of the season.

- v. Any manager, coach, or player, guilty of touching, pushing, or other physical contact with an official shall be banned from athletic programs sponsored by the Livonia Parks & Recreation Department.
- w. The Department of Parks and Recreation may exclude any player, manager, coach, or team from the league for abusive language on diamonds, facilities, or continued violation of any rule or regulation governing this league.

VI. CANCELLATION FEES

- a. Council resolution CR#359-93 requires teams to provide acceptable justification for such cancellation in writing, at least 14 days prior to their first scheduled game.
- b. The processing charge shall be established at 30% of the adult entry fee and the balance refunded to the designated team official.

VII. SCHEDULES & STANDINGS

- a. All games will be scheduled by the Parks and Recreation Department.
- b. Game time is forfeit time. Teams must be ready to play and have the minimum number of players present by the time the game is scheduled.
- c. Teams can access their schedules and updated standings online through the individual league portal. Follow the below instructions:
 - i. Access the website: www.LivoniaParks.org
 - ii. Click on “Athletics Division” located on the left-hand side
 - iii. Click on “Soccer” located on the left-hand side
 - iv. Under League Portals section, find the appropriate league and click on the link.
 - v. Click on the individual team in the standings section. The team schedule will come up on the next page.

VIII. RAINOUTS

- a. **Livonia Parks & Recreation Staff will update teams no later than 4:30 pm if games are cancelled for the night.**
- b. **The rainout number is (734) 466-2299**
 - i. If teams have not received notification by 4:30 pm, they should come ready to play at their schedule game time.
 - ii. If games are cancelled after 4:30 pm, the rainout number will be updated.
 - iii. Livonia Parks & Recreation will do their best to update team managers as soon as possible if any cancellations are made on-site.
- c. Team Managers will be emailed when the rescheduled games have been made public.
- d. All updated schedules will be found through the league portal.

List of current probationary and suspended players

<u>Player</u>	<u>Date of probation</u>		<u>*Date of suspension</u>	
Jim Beumel	N/A		9-5-97	indefinite
Scott Carlton	7/22/16	one year	7/22/16	
John Carney	1-31-07	indefinite	N/A	
Scott Craver	9-1-11	indefinite	N/A	
Paul Dreiman	N/A		6-12-97	indefinite
Ken Dzczyпка	N/A		1-31-07	indefinite
Mike Fierk	7/16/14	indefinite	N/A	
Greg Gorski	N/A		6-20-02	indefinite
Allie Hamood	3-4-04	indefinite	N/A	
Alan Harajli	N/A		1-31-03	indefinite

Allen Jawad	3-5-04	indefinite	N/A	
Joe Kelly	N/A		6-20-02	indefinite
Rich Kendra	N/A		5-9-14	indefinite
Jerome Potvin	N/A		6-25-01	indefinite
Bob Rahal	3-5-04	indefinite	N/A	
Dan Rahal	N/A		3-5-04	indefinite
Ron Rahal	N/A		3-5-04	indefinite
Darian Richardson	3-4-04	indefinite	N/A	
Jamal Saad	N/A		3-5-04	indefinite
Marc Salah	2-14-03	indefinite	N/A	
Michael Thompson	2-14-03	indefinite	N/A	
Chris Yates	2-8-07	indefinite	N/A	

*Currently suspended players are not allowed to be on any Parks & Recreation roster.

In case of serious injury, please contact Livonia Parks and Recreation at 734-466-2900.