

2019 Libertyville Cup General Information

The Libertyville Cup Youth Soccer Festival is an approved tournament of the Illinois Youth Soccer Association – affiliated with USYSA, USSF, and FIFA. The Libertyville Cup tournament is sanctioned to host teams from the US only. Due to the recent policy change with USYSA, Canadian teams fall under the jurisdiction of international teams and therefore do not qualify for entry into the Cup.

AGE GROUPS AND LEVELS OF PLAY

The Libertyville Cup Tournament has become one of the best and most popular tournaments in the Midwest. The 2019 Tournament consisted of **365** teams from all over the Midwest participating in multiple levels of competition within each age group. In order to better serve attending clubs, we are once again offering flights for High School Aged boys teams, the age groups are as follows:

Girls – U8 – U15

Boys – U8 – U19

Champions Flight: Flight consists of top level club teams and highly competitive “A” level teams.

Premiership Flight: Flight consists of second or mid level community based teams.

Serie A Flight: Flight consists of third or lower level community based teams.

Girls: U8-U14 All Flights as applications allow.

Boys: U8-U14 All Flights as applications allow.

Boys: U15-U19 Competitive balance and applications will dictate number of flights.

TEAM PARTICIPATION, REFEREE SYSTEMS AND GUEST PLAYERS

U8 –U10 teams may have a maximum roster of 14 players,

U11-U12 teams - maximum of 16 players,

U13–U14 teams - maximum of 18 players,

U15-U19 – maximum of 22 players (only 18 are allowed to dress for any one game).

U8 teams will play 4v4, two side by side simultaneous games

U9 - U10 teams will play 7v7 on small size fields, 1 man referee system

U11 & U12 teams will play 9v9 on intermediate size fields, 2-man referee system

U13-U19 teams will play 11v11 on full size fields, 3-man referee system

The team or teams must be entered for competition in a league affiliated with the USSF or national equivalent and sanctioned by the appropriate State or National Association. State and National Select teams are not eligible. Prior to competition, teams must present proof of affiliation and permission to travel (out of state teams).

Validated, laminated State player passes, as well as parental medical release forms, are required for all players participating in the tournament.

Teams are allowed 3 passed coaches on bench. **Each coach in the bench area must be licensed and passed**, and is responsible for his/her team and spectators at each game. In the event a coach with a valid pass is not available to start a game, GLSA will provide a passed coach (for a fee – to be charged to the team/club). Any team not having a passed coach at the beginning of the game will have **until the end of halftime to provide a passed coach or the game at hand will be forfeited (see Forfeit section for impact of forfeiting a game)**. **The appointed GLSA coach will stay with the team through the second half to allow the players to complete the game.**

A maximum of three guest players is allowed (players from same club are not considered guest players). Teams need no prior approval for guest players. Forms for guest players can be attained through state association. Questions regarding guest players should be directed to the Tournament Director.

AWARDS

Participation Medals will be given to all U8 players, there are no Championships at these ages.

Team and individual awards will be presented to Champions and Runners-up, for U9 - U19 age divisions, in all flights.

After Championship matches, please have teams report to stage area for awards presentation. All players will receive a tournament program guide and patch commemorating the event. In addition, the traditional exchange of club pins or patches among teams is strongly encouraged.

APPLICATION PROCESS

If you wish to participate in the Libertyville Cup Youth Soccer Festival, please complete an application in its entirety and return it with the entry fee of as follows (US currency):

U8 - \$550 U9-U12 - \$600 U13-U14 - \$650 U15-U19 - \$675

**The application must be completed online and Tournament Fee paid by April 26.
Fees can be paid either online with a credit card (service fee applies) or by mailing in a check.**

Please make all checks payable to: **Greater Libertyville Soccer Association**
Mail all tournament correspondence to: **Greater Libertyville Soccer Association**
Attn: Tournament Director
30080 Technology Way
Libertyville, IL. 60048

Teams will be accepted through a rolling Process. Final Notification of acceptance will be posted on the website no later than **April 30**. Teams will also receive an email of Acceptance.

Those teams not accepted into the tournament will have their entry fee returned with their letter of non-acceptance. Any team that withdraws from the tournament after being accepted will forfeit their fee.

ADDITIONAL TEAM PARKING FEES

There are no additional fees.

HOTELS

All teams in need of hotel accommodations are required to stay in an approved hotel. The 2017 Approved list will be available on our website.

GAME DURATION AND PLAY

<u>AGE</u>	<u>PLAYERS</u>	<u>BALL</u>	<u>PRELIMINARY GAMES</u>	<u>SF/FINALS</u>
U8	7v7	4	60 minutes	N/A
U9-U10	7v7	4	60 minutes	60 minutes
U11-U12	9v9	4	60 minutes	60 minutes
U13-U14	11v11	5	60 minutes	60 minutes
U15-U19	11v11	5	70 minutes	70 minutes

ADDITIONAL GAMES

If teams, especially out-of-state teams, are interested in playing an additional 4th game on Monday (should they not advance), the tournament will coordinate the game matching with a team of equal competitive level. There may be a minimal charge for referees. Please contact Tournament Director to request.