



DRSA - Durham Region Soccer Association Rules and Regulations U8-U13

1.0 Applications:

- 1.1 Squad Applications are due by January 19th, 2026, including Club cheque with full Registration Fees.
- 1.2 Any Squad application received without Full payment, will be deemed to be incomplete.
- 1.3 All Squads whose Clubs are not members of the DRSA will require a signed PLAYING OUT PERMISSION FORM from their District per Ontario Soccer Operational Procedures.
- 1.4 Squad withdrawing from the League after March 15th of the current year will forfeit the entire League Fee the DRSA must receive notice of squad withdrawal by Club in writing.

2.0 Responsibilities of Club and Team Officials:

- 2.1 All team Officials must sign off on acknowledging that they have read the Rules & Regulations and Code of Conduct when activating in E2E for the 2025 Season.
- 2.2 Team officials must be registered and validated as per Ontario Soccer Operational procedures and DRSA Governing Document. Except for the club/academy Technical Director, only Team Officials who are properly certified, registered and listed on game sheet are permitted within the technical area. **Team must have a certified Coach present at each game.**
- 2.3 ALL Clubs must ensure only Registered Team Official and Registered Players are added to E2E.
- 2.4 All Clubs must ensure their teams' games are played as scheduled when their fields are open (as determined by their municipality).
- 2.5 The Host Club for a league game shall ensure all fields are properly permitted, cleared and safe, set Field size and markings (lines, Markers) and include Game ball.
- 2.6 Each Club / Team is responsible for all players, team Officials and spectators. All representatives shall conduct themselves in a responsible manner and in accordance with the Code of Conduct and Ethics. (Before, during and after the game).

- 2.7 Any Game abandoned by a Match Official, due to player/team Official or spectator conduct will be dealt with by the League discipline. A squad found guilty of causing abandonment will be subject to a fine. If both Clubs are found guilty, then both Clubs will be subject to a fine and or discipline.
- 2.8 In the event a squad does not show up for a scheduled game, it shall be deemed that the team is in forfeit of the game and will be subject to discipline.
- 2.9 All Spectators must be (1) Metre away from sidelines during all games. Parents/Team supporters are required to sit on the opposite side of the field from the team benches.

3.0 **Player Identification:**

- 3.1 A physical copy of the official stamped team roster with coloured photos is required at all games.
- 3.2 Failure to produce Ontario Soccer Official Team Roster prior to half time, will result in game being played under a protest, a Club fine and discipline.
- 3.3 Each squad will present the Match Official with a completed game sheet with all players and team officials listed prior to game; Incomplete game sheet will be subject to a League fine.
- 3.4 Players must wear a Club uniform with Club Logo and numbered Jersey that corresponds to the game day game sheet, ***Jersey numbers cannot be duplicated or blank on Game sheet.*** Failure to comply will result in disciplinary action and a fine to the Club.

4.0 **Player Eligibility:**

- 4.1 Development divisions U8 to U13 are open roster format and players are not assigned to a specific squad consequently players are eligible to play for any squad within that age classification for their Club competition within the DRSA and in line with the Ontario Soccer Grassroots Standards.
- 4.2 The **maximum** numbers of players that may be recorded on a game sheet, named, dressed, and played in one game.
(Under U8 & U9 - Maximum 12 players) (Under U10 & U11 - Maximum 14 players) (Under U12 & U13 - Maximum 18 players)
- 4.3 All other Rules and Regulations as outlined in Ontario Soccer Policies and Operational procedures regarding the signing and transfer of the players shall apply.
- 4.4 Squads found to have used ineligible player(s) or deemed to be an ineligible squad will be subject to discipline.
- 4.5 A player, once transferred to a different team, cannot be transferred back to that team for which he or she was originally registered until a period of 30 days has elapsed.

5.0 **Call ups:**

- 5.1 Only players from the same age classifications in a club's house league/recreational program can be being used as call ups in U8-U13 divisions.
- 5.2 Players being called up must be identified on the game sheet, Clubs must use the **Call Up Permit** in E2E. Jersey number can be manually added, failure to follow this process will result in a Club fine.

6.0 **Fast Tracking/Playing Down**

- 6.1 *Grassroots U8 - U13 (Maximum allowance of up to 3 overage/underage players per squad)*
As per Ontario Soccer policy that a maximum total of 3 overage/underage players allowed per squad.

7.0 **Schedule:**

- 7.1 Under no circumstance will squads be allowed to postpone games. ALL Games will be played as scheduled unless; at the discretion of the Match Official, and/or the Park Officials' postponements are necessary due to inclement weather, or field Conditions.
- 7.2 In the event of a game postponement or reschedule the home team must provide rescheduled dates to the DRSA within seven (7) days of the original scheduled date. Failure to do so will result in the home team's forfeiture of home advantage, and the opposing team will provide a date and field for the rescheduled game within seven (7) days. The original home team will remain responsible for the Match Official fees.
- 7.3 A Club must assign a TBD Field within (7) days of game date, Failure to do so will result in the home teams' forfeiture of the home advantage and the opposing team will provide a Field, which the Home Team must attend, or it will result as Forfeit.
- 7.4 If in the event both squads are unable to field the minimum number of players to play the game both squads shall be in default of the game and will be subject to Fine as per the DRSA Schedule of fees and Fines.
- 7.5 If a squad does not show up for their regularly scheduled game, it shall be deemed that the squad is in default of the game and will be subject to a fine as per the DRSA Schedule of Fees & Fines
- 7.6 All rainout games will be rescheduled by the League.

8.0 **League Games**

- 8.1 There are **NO SCORES, NO STANDINGS** (U8 - U13)
- 8.2 The Match Official is the sole official timekeeper of the game.
- 8.3 Fifteen (15) minutes grace time from the scheduled kick-off off time shall be permitted for squads to field the minimum requirement of players.

8.4 Duration of League games:

• U8/U9 - 2x20 Minute
• U10/U11 - 2x25 Minute
• U12 - 2 x 35 Minute
• U13 - 2 X 40 Minute

Minimum requirement of players per game.

• Under 8 & 9 (4) players
• Under 10 & 11 Minimum five (5) players
• Under 12 & 13 Minimum six (6) players

8.5 Total of 14 mid-week games (please see DRSA website for playing nights)

8.6 U8 DRSA listed Festivals are included in Season Fee - Please see **(U8 Festival Guide on DRSA website).**

8.7 U8-U13 teams are responsible to have (2) physical copies of Game Day roster/sheet prepared from E2E and must be available and given to the Match Official at the start of each game. Only handwritten jersey number(s) of eligible call up players and the crossing out of any players/team officials on game sheet that are not in attendance are allowed. Failure to follow this process will result in a Team/Club fine. Please note, for reporting purposes the Game Official will keep **one** copy.

Match Officials upload Game sheets to Ref Centre after the completion of each Game

8.8 All teams are responsible to complete Game Report in E2E within 48 hours after every game. Failure to follow this process will result in a Team/Club fine.

9.0 **Discipline**

9.1 Any Player receiving red or yellow cards during the season shall be subject to discipline outlined in Ontario Soccer's Judicial Matters Policies and Guides

9.2 Any coach who is carded by a Match official for inappropriate conduct shall be subject to discipline as outlined in Ontario Soccer's Judicial Matters Policies and Guides.

9.3 Any Player or Team Official has the right to request a hearing. They must submit a written request to the DRSA, within three (3) days of the incident/receiving a dismissal. This request must arrive before the date of the next scheduled Discipline Review meeting, as published. The request shall be written and submitted together with the "Request for Hearing Fee"

- 9.4 DRSA's Discipline Hearing dates are published on DRSA' s website, under Calendar tab.
- 9.5 All suspensions shall be based on games within the LTTDP. The Club of the suspended Player or Team Official shall be notified and the DRSA is required to record the suspension, where applicable.
- 9.6 All youth players must be accompanied to any hearing by a parent or guardian.

DRSA - Schedule of fees can be located on DRSA website - under Governance tab, Fees & fines.

*Please see **Canada Soccer Grassroots Standard for Fundamentals & Learn to Train Page 2.** for detailed playing Criteria.