

**WVSA CHAPTER FIVE
RULES OF STATE CUP COMPETITION 08/17**

5.1 RESPONSIBILITIES

The Cups and Games Committee of WVSA as established in the BY-LAWS 2.6.3 will administer all competitions sponsored by this association. The Cups and Games Committee may form sub committee's to administer each cup.

5.2 COMPETITIONS

5.2.1 Target United Cup

This association shall sponsor a competition for youth recreational league and club champion in the fall of each year. Teams must meet the USYS definition of a recreational team except for letter D.

5.2.1.1 Entry Requirements

1. The team has played a minimum of six games against at least three different WVSA registered opponents in its own or a higher age div by November 1. Exceptions due to weather or travel distance may be made by the WVSA Target United Cup Chair.
2. All players on the roster must have played in at least one half the team's games.
3. The local league or club must complete all forms and pay the entry fee by the deadline.
- 3.1 All WVSA member recreational clubs/leagues are required to have their players entered into the online registration system and placed on teams by Oct 1st
- 3.2 WVSSAC does not allow middle/junior/high school players to be listed on a roster until their school season is completed. Players from middle/junior/high school teams acknowledged by WVSSAC will NOT be allowed to be rostered on Target United Cup teams.
4. No Team can have more than 1/2 its roster from outside the clubs home county. Players from outside the home county and those out of county players must be from within the clubs district.
5. The local league must pay all fees and submit team rosters by the deadline.
6. All rosters are frozen as determined by the Cup Committee.
7. All cup entries must be submitted using the online system by the date set by the Cup Committee.
8. Once a league or club champion has been declared, the roster for that team is frozen even if it is prior to the roster frozen date.
9. Each league or club that enters the cup shall submit copies of its schedules, manner of determining its champion, the date the champion was declared and the method used for team formation and the WVSA Target United Cup Entry Eligibility Verification Form with each entry by the date set by the Cup Committee.
10. Each team that enters must have been formed by a random method that does not take into account ability.
11. Questions concerning who wants to travel to the Target United Cup or any other question based on the desire or ability to travel cannot be used in the team selection process,
12. The team may only honor requests for placement of the Head Coached children. Hardship exceptions may be granted by agreement from both the VP youth and the Target United Cup Chair.
- 13. Teams may enter a Recreation only Division or a limited travel team division.**
 - 1. Teams in the recreation division my not have any travel players on the roster.**
 - 2. Teams in the Limited travel player division may have travel players as follows**
 - a. 10 and Under Max of 2 Travel Players**
 - b. 12 – 15 and Under Max of 3 Travel Players**
14. The team coach and league or club registrar must verify that the team meets all requirements of 5.2.1.
15. If a club or league is found to have violated any part of 5.2.1 then the entry may be disqualified.

5.2.1.2 ROSTERS

1. Rosters; A 13 and under or older team, shall have no more than 18 and no less than 7 players.
2. Rosters; A 11 – 12 and under team shall have no more than 18 and no less than 6 players.
3. Rosters; A 9-10 and under team shall have no more than 14 and no less than 5 players.
4. Rosters may contain players of a younger age group, but not of an older age group.
5. Affinity Rosters will have players designated Travel players shown as M for Multi-rostered players, and Recreational players will be P for primary.
6. All WVSA member recreational clubs/leagues are required to have their players entered into the online registration system and placed on teams by Oct 1
7. WVSSAC does not allow middle/junior/high school players to be listed on a roster until their school season is completed. Players from middle/junior/high school teams acknowledged by WVSSAC will NOT be allowed to be rostered on Target United Cup teams.

5.2.1.3 Format, Venues and Awards

The cup committee shall determine the format of the competition, select the venues and determine the awards to be given.

5.2.1.4 Refusal of Entry / Disqualification

The Open Cup Chair and the VP of Youth will rule on all matters of qualification of players and teams. They will make a recommendation to the committee for this cup. The Cup Committee may make an inquiry on its own or with a written signed complaint from a WVSA member. Any decision made to deny entry or remove a team or player from this cup may be appealed to the WVSA Cup Committee whose decision shall be binding.

- 5.2.1.5 Matters not Provided for The committee for this cup shall rule on all matters not provided for in these rules.

5.2.2 **Open Cup**

This association shall sponsor a competition in the spring / summer of each year open to any WVSA registered team.

5.2.2.1 Entry Requirements

Teams must submit entries with the proper fee within the schedule set by the cup committee.

5.2.2.2 Rosters

Team rosters must be WVSA State Stamped for Open Cup and must have a majority of WV players.

5.2.2.3 Format, Venues and Awards

The cup committee shall determine the format of the competition, select the venues and determine the awards to be given.

5.2.2.4 Refusal of Entry / Disqualification

The Open Cup Chair and the VP of Youth will rule on all matters of qualification of players and teams. They will make a recommendation to the committee for this cup. The Cup Committee may make an inquiry on its own or with a written signed complaint from a WVSA member. Any decision made to deny entry or remove a team or player from this cup may be appealed to the WVSA Cup Committee whose decision shall be binding.

5.2.2.5 Matters not Provided for

The committee for this cup shall rule on all matters not provided for in these rules

5.2.3 **WVSA State Championship Cup**

This association shall sponsor a competition in the spring/summer open to all teams to determine the WVSA representation into Region One's Championships.

5.2.3.1 Entry Requirements

Teams must submit entries with the proper fee within the schedule set by the cup committee.

5.2.3.2 Rosters

Team rosters must be WWSA State Stamped for WV State Championship Cup and must have a majority of WV players and shall comply with all requirements of USYS.

5.2.3.3 Format, Venues and Awards

The cup committee shall determine the format of the competition, select the venues and determine the awards to be given.

5.2.3.4 Refusal of Entry / Disqualification

The Snickers Cup Chair and the VP of Youth will rule on all matters of qualification of players and teams. They will make a recommendation to the committee for this cup. The WV State Championship Committee may make an inquiry on its own or with a written signed complaint from a WWSA member. Any decision made to deny entry or remove a team or player from this cup may be appealed to the WWSA Championship Cup Committee whose decision may be appealed to USYS Region 1 Championship Cup Committee.

5.2.3.5 Matters not Provided for

The committee for this cup shall rule on all matters not provided for in these rules

5.2.4 Other Cups

The WWSA Cup Committee shall be responsible for developing such other competitions as directed by the WWSA BOD

5.3 Administrative Rules and Procedures

5.3.1 The Cup and Games Committee shall develop and publish such rules and administrative procedures as necessary for the operation of all WWSA competitions.

5.3.2 The rules and procedures will be published in the WWSA publications, manuals and placed on the web site.

5.3.3 Failure to comply with the rules may lead to fines, removal from the competition, suspensions or other penalties as determined by the committee.

5.4 Meetings and Decisions

5.4.1 Meetings of the C&G Committee and any subcommittee may be held by conference call or in person.

5.4.2 All decisions of the C&G Committee are final. WV State Championship Cup matters may be appealed to Region 1. Decisions of sub committees may be appealed to the C&G Committee.

5.5 Officials

5.5.1 The SRA or the Referee Committee or their designees shall appoint all match officials for WWSA competitions.

5.5.2 Match officials assigned to USYSA or USASA Regional competitions shall be appointed by the SRA or the Referee Committee.

5.6 Sponsorships

5.6.1 The C&G Committee may develop sponsors for all WWSA 4 competitions within the requirements of existing WWSA, USYSA, USASA and or USSF sponsors.

5.6.2 The President and Executive Director must approve all sponsorship contracts.

5.7 Venues

5.7.1 Venue requirements must be checked with the WWSA office to ensure compliance with sponsor contracts.

5.7.2 Venue selection shall be made on a two-year basis when possible.

5.8 Jurisdiction

5.8.1 All players, coaches, team officials, administrators and spectators fall under the jurisdiction of the C&G Committee. Local clubs and leagues are responsible for the behavior of their members.

5.8.2 Problems with players, coaches, team officials, administrators and spectators reported to the committee by the referee or by members of the WWSA BOD, WWSA Staff or the C&G Committee itself will be investigated. Hearings will be held in all cases in which disciplinary action is recommended.

5.8.3 Local clubs or leagues may be declared ineligible to have its member teams enter WWSA competitions if they do not cooperate with WWSA investigations or do not control the behavior of their members.

5.9 Rules of Play- Shall be published prior to each cup.

5.10 Precedence of Rules

Rules of the USSF, USASA AND USYSA supercede state rules.

5.11 Procedure Changes

These rules and Procedures may be changed or new rules added at any meeting of the WVSA BOD or the membership. It will take a majority vote of the members present to change or amend this chapter.

Kohl's Cup Team Entry Questions

1. How many teams does your club / league have in this age group?
2. How many players on each team?
3. How many Travel players on each team?
4. When were the teams formed?
5. How many players were on the same teams last year?
6. What method of team formation was used?
7. How many games did or will each team play?
Date of first game ____ Date of last game _____ for each team.
8. What was the date of the first game for all other teams in your club?
9. Did every player on the champion team play in at least one half of all the teams games? Y___ N___ if no please explain.
10. Are any of the players on this team on any other recreation team?
If yes please submit a roster of the other team (s) and an explanation of why they are on the other team (s).
11. Are the teams in this age group recreational teams per USYS and WVSA rules?
12. Do the teams in this age group qualify for the WVSA Kohl's Cup per WVSA rule 5.2.1?

Club President _____

Club Registrar _____