

KERALA CLUB SEATTLE

Kerala Club Soccer League (KSL) 2019 Rules

KSL rules will be consistent with current FIFA rules except for following modifications. Any situations that arise during a game that are not covered in League rules are at the discretion of the Referee. Any complaints/issues must be brought to the attention of Kerala Club Soccer Committee first. Appeals, if any, can be made to the Kerala Club Director Board.

I. Game Rules

- a. Each game will consist of two 45-minute halves with a 10-minute intermission.
- b. Teams must have at least 7 players on the field to start and finish a game. If at the start or at any time during a game a team has fewer than 7 players present, if the team with full players wishes so, the game will be considered a forfeit and the score will be 3-0 in favor of the team which turned up. If a team doesn't show up, it is an automatic forfeit and the score will be 3-0 in favor of the team which turned up. **Team No-Show without informing will result in a \$25 penalty.**
- c. If a team begins with fewer than 11 players, players who arrive late may participate immediately with referee's permission. Either team may substitute an unlimited number of players at any stoppage of play with referee's permission.
- d. Slide tackling is NOT allowed. Wearing Shin Guards is recommended, but not enforced.
- e. If the first game of the day starts after the scheduled start time, Referee must reduce the halves equally to compensate for the late start and to finish the match on time no later than 7:40 PM.
- f. If the second game of the day starts after the scheduled start time, Referee has the option to reduce the halves equally to compensate for the late start and to finish the match on time or to play the full 90 minutes.
 - ✦ Each Team Roster can have up to 6 Named Guest players (Non-Keralite Indian) with **MAX 2 playing at a time**
 - ✦ Exceptions due to Roster Size issues.
 - Thattikkootu can play ONE additional named Non-Indian player (Evaristo) at a time
 - Drunk Kickers, Chempada Stars & Old Monks can play TWO additional Non-Keralite Indian Players at a time
 - ✦ All teams have a Gentleman's agreement in place to reduce number of Guest players to max three from 2020
 - ✦ If any team is short of players for a game, they can borrow max two players from other teams. This rule will be enforced strictly for BlackHawk's (BH) opponents. If BH's opponents are borrowing a third player, they must take consent from BH.
 - ✦ There is no restrictions to Roster Size and players can be added /deleted anytime afterwards. However, Captains must inform Kerala Club Soccer Committee via WhatsApp group if adding new Guest players to the roster.
- g. Internal Referees will be paid a 15 Gift Card per match by KSL. **Referee No-Show will result in a \$25 penalty.**
- h. Two yellow cards in one game equal a red card. Red card requires the player to sit out that game. It is highly recommended for the Referee to give a final warning to the Player and respective Captain before showing Red Card.

II. Equipment & Ground Conduct

- a. Teams are required to wear alike colored shirts. Goalkeepers must wear different color jersey.
- b. The home team (first name in the fixture) is responsible for providing the official with a game ball and the visiting team is responsible for a backup ball at the start of the game. If balls go out of the park during the game, Home team is responsible for retrieving the balls.
- c. All teams must make sure to dispose of the garbage before leaving the fields. It is the responsibility of the captains of the 2 teams playing last to ensure that there is no garbage left behind. If there is any complaints from the authorities, **a \$50 penalty will be levied** from the 2 teams playing last.

III. League Format

- a. Based on standings after League rounds, 1st ranked team will play the 4th & 2nd will play 3rd in the Semifinals. Standings after League rounds is determined as follows:
 - a. Total Points (win=3 points, tie=1 point, loss=0 point)
 - b. Goal Diff -- Most Goals Scored -- Fewest Goals Against -- Head to head Results -- Head to head Goal Diff
- b. Once League Schedule is published, only Game swaps are allowed.
- c. Winning team Captain is responsible for reporting the Final Score & Names of Scorers to KSL Game Commissioner.
- d. Golden Boot trophy will be awarded to the highest scoring player (excluding guest players) at the end of season.
- e. League Payment per team is \$100 as Initial Deposit/Party Fund, \$60 per league round, \$80 for playoff round.

IV. Kerala Club 2019 Soccer Committee

Ojus John (KSL Game Commissioner)
Arun Mathew, Pramoth Ramakrishnan (Chempada Tigers)
Boney Mathew, Vineed Sadanandan (Drunk Kickers)
Sheen Thomas, Anup Valluvaveedu (BlackHawks)
Prajinesh Jayan, Sheetal Joyce (Chempada Stars)
Jithin Mathew, Twijin Prabha (Thattikkootu)
Binoj Rajan, Santhosh Pillai (Old Monks)

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