

KERALA CLUB SEATTLE

Kerala Club Soccer League (KSL) 2018 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 KSL Committee (Kerala Club Soccer Coordinators plus Team Captains and Vice Captains) 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 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. If given permission by the opposing captain, a player may substitute for another team on a per match basis.
- e. Slide tackling is NOT allowed. Wearing Shin Guards is recommended, but not enforced.
- f. 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.
- g. 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 Guest (Non-Malayali Indian Players) with MAX 2 playing at a time
 - ✚ Exceptions
 - *Thattikkoottu can play one Non-Indian player at a time due to roster size issues*
 - *Chempada Stars and Drunk Kickers can play MAX 4 Non-Malayali Indian Players at a time due to roster size issues*
 - ✚ If any team is short of players for a game, they can borrow maximum three players from other teams.
 - ✚ There is no restrictions to Roster Size and players can be added /deleted anytime afterwards. However, Captains must inform KSL Committee (via KSL Coordinators WhatsApp group) if adding Guest players to the roster after the league commences.
- h. Internal Referees will be paid a 15 Gift Card per match by KSL. **Referee No-Show will result in a \$25 penalty.**
- i. 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 ranked team in the first Semifinals and 2nd ranked team will play the 3rd ranked team in the second 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 and any Game Swaps should be coordinate with the KSL Committee.
- c. Winning team Captain (Referee as backup) is responsible for reporting the Final Score, Names of all Scorers and Brief Match Report to Prime Coordinator Ojus John.

IV. KSL Committee

Ojus John (Prime), Santhosh Moolayil, Pramoth Ramakrishnan, (Kerala Club 2018 Soccer Coordinators)
Sidharth Vijayachandran, Nikky Stephen (Captain and Vice-Captain of Chempada Tigers)
Anoop Valluvaveedu, Sheen Thomas (Captain and Vice-Captain of BlackHawks)
Prajinesh Jayan, Ashish Nair (Captain and Vice-Captain of Chempada Stars)
Twijin Prabha, Jithin Mathew (Captain and Vice-Captain of Thattikkoottu)
Boney Mathew, Santhosh Pillai (Captain and Vice-Captain of Drunk Kickers)

To reach out to KSL Committee or Kerala Club Board, email info@keralaclubseattle.net