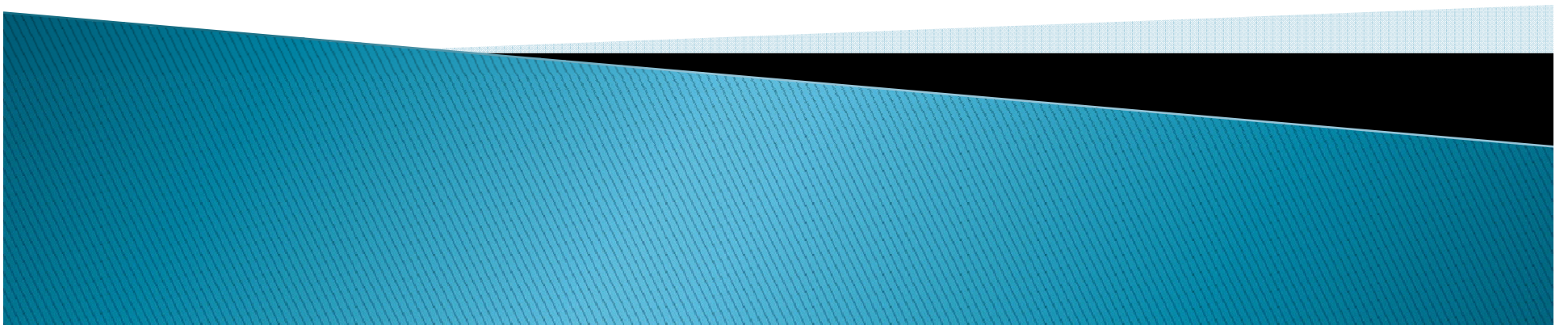


2012 State Cup

Status report



2011 National Championship Series (NCS) Report

State Cup:

Event Date:	3-5 June , 2011 Cortland
Chairman	Hugh Goodridge
Entrants	158 teams (91B & 67G)
	13.7 % increase over 2010
	94 Play down matches (73R1 + 21R2)

Region 1:

Event Date:	30 Jun – 5 Jul 2011, Lancaster, PA
Chairman	Adele Dolansky
Entrants	18 teams (U19B Wildcard and U17G Premier League)
Champions	U12G (U14 - U19 only advances to National Final)
Finalist	
Playoff teams	U16B, U17B
Overall Record (Win Loss Tie)	26 – 21 - 11

Action Plan

- Post event assessment
- Establish 2012 Schedule
- Review Contracts
- Book venue/hotels
- Prepare for registration

Potential Issues and Recovery Plan

- Hotel availability
 - Secure in September
- Venue availability
 - Secure in September
- Rules changes
 - Adopt mandatory changes
 - Revise playdown structure
 - Revise player pass administration

NCS Changes

▶ Player Passes

- Using a club pass
- Player no longer required to sign their pass but must appear to present pass and proof of residence at Final 4
- Player must hold primary pass for club before being added to the roster

▶ Team Eligibility

- Must maintain 9 players common to league & cup roster at each level of the competition due to roster movement permitted later in the competition.
- Teams are still not permitted more than 5 players transferred from another club.
- Outside of the 9 common to the league roster, the cup roster may include any age appropriate player who holds clubs pass to that club, provided he/she was in the club player pool prior to the initial State Cup roster freeze date.

▶ Rosters

- Teams U14 and above may now have 22 players on the roster.
- Teams must have a league roster, a state cup roster and will require a game roster to identify the (18 max, 7 min) players eligible for each match.

NCS Changes cont'd

▶ Roster Freezes

- State level – no earlier than 14 days prior to the beginning of the age group competition
- This will impact our current seeding process as we have frozen roster and looked to see if the same team (51%) was returning year to year to maintain their seeded place in the bracket. So we will maintain the current system and move the draw to 14 days in front of the start of play.
- Regional level – no later than 7 days prior to the beginning of the age group competition
- National level – no later than 7 days prior to the beginning of the age group competition

▶ Uniforms

- A player or team official may not wear the mark or logo of any other youth soccer organization other than US Youth Soccer, a state association, or other member of US Youth Soccer.
- Any other marks or logos of other soccer organizations outside of this must be removed or covered before the player or team official will be permitted to remain at the game site. Sponsor logos are permitted

NCS Changes cont'd

▶ Player Eligibility

- A player can appear only on one roster at each level of the competition.
- A player who holds a primary club pass of that club may be added to the roster at the next level provided the team he/she was on did not advance from the previous level, as long as the 9 player common rule and 22 player maximum rule are kept in compliance
- For example, an Empire Buffalo team wins State Cup and is advanced to Regional's, however they have 3 injured players on their roster. Empire Syracuse was the state runner up.
 - Empire Buffalo could release the 3 injured players and add 3 from the Syracuse roster for Regional's. This is possible because Empire is a single club.
 - However, they could also add any 3 age appropriate players from their club player pool; they would not necessarily have to come from an existing state cup roster.
 - For a player to be eligible to be added to a team's roster that is advancing, the player would have to be in the club pool prior to the original freeze date at the state level.
- The same process can happen to the roster again if a team advances from Regional's to Nationals. Note that players from teams eliminated during state play down are not eligible to be added to another team in the NCS competition until the State Cup Final 4 has been completed.

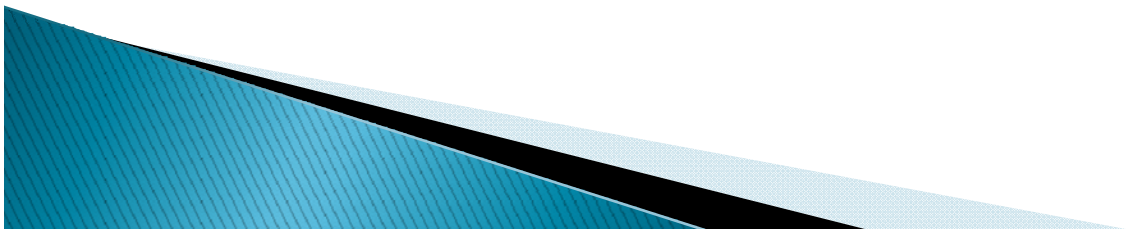
NYSW Changes

- ▶ Maintain the current seeding process
- ▶ Modify the blind draw to eliminate teams receiving double byes
- ▶ Modify the play down format as follows:
 - Designate playdown field(s) specific to each district
 - Provide a site coordinator at each field
 - Assign three weekends in May to play all playdown games at the designated district field(s)
 - Designate an alternate weekend in May for any games that may be rescheduled
 - Established a schedule with designated time slots for playdown games on each day
 - Assign matches per established schedule of play at each district field
- ▶ Move ODP camp to last weekend in April
- ▶ Notify Leagues and Tournament organizers of designated playdown dates to eliminate conflicting schedules

NYSW Changes cont'd

▶ Advantages:

- Improved scheduling
- Standardized field conditions for games
- Maximize outdoor play prior to Cup competition
- Reduced travel for teams and referees



National Championship Dates

Activity	2012
Registration Open	9-Jan
Registration Close	2-Apr
Blind Draw	21 Apr
Blackout Dates for ODP development weekend.	28-29 Apr
Play down games begin.	5-May
1st round games must be completed	13-May
All play down games must be completed	20-May
State Cup	1-3 Jun
Region I Championship	28 Jun - 3 Jul
National Championship (U14 thru U19)	24 - 29 Jul

Playdown Schedule

Activity	2012
Registration Open	9-Jan
Registration Close	2-Apr
Roster freeze for U12 thru U18 & U19 teams with 4 or less teams	20 Apr
Blind Draw	21 Apr
Cup chairman notifies teams of their playdown match times	23-Apr
Roster freeze for U19 teams with more than 4 teams	27-Apr
Blackout Dates for ODP development weekend.	28-29 Apr
Wk 1 - Play down games begin.	5 - 6 May
Wk 2 - 1st round games must be completed	12 - 13 May
Wk 3 - All play down games must be completed	19 - 20 May
State Cup	1-3 Jun

Playdown Schedule cont'd

- ▶ Wk 1 – Boys on Saturday and Girls on Sunday
- ▶ Wk 2 – Girls on Saturday and Boys on Sunday
- ▶ Wk 3 – Boys on Saturday and Girls on Sunday
- ▶ Typical match day schedule per site

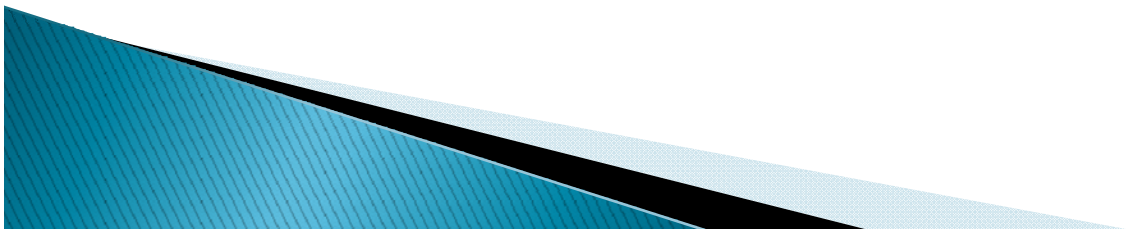
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10:00 AM	1	1	1
12:00 PM			
1:00 PM	1	1	1
3:00 PM	1	1	1
5:00 PM	1	1	1

Total Match 5 5 5

Playdown Fields

▶ Field Guidelines:

- Minimum 1 location in Buffalo, Rochester and Syracuse districts
- One location in other districts as required
- Minimum 2 full size and 1 small-sided field at each district site



Potential Playdown Fields

▶ Buffalo:

- Nichols High School – 2 Turf and 1 grass field.
- West Seneca – Multiple grass fields, no turf
- Lewiston-Porter HS – 2 grass fields + 1 turf
- Clarence Soccer Club – Multiple grass fields
- Sahlens – 1 indoor full size turf, multiple grass fields outside.

▶ Rochester:

- Grace and Truth – 4 + 2 grass fields (available Saturday only)
- TSE – 14 grass fields, no turf
- Basket Road fields – Multiple grass fields and 1 turf

▶ Syracuse:

- CNY Family Sports Center – 5 grass fields, no turf
- Barry Park – multiple grass fields

▶ Binghamton & Twin Tier:

- BC United SUNY Binghamton
- TC3 Grantchester/Newnham
- Elmira Free Academy