

# Canceling/Re-scheduling Games

## 6:02:18 CANCELING/RE-SCHEDULING GAMES

A. **Reasons for Cancellation:** A scheduled game may be cancelled only for the following reasons:

1. The coaches of both teams agree to cancellation;
2. One of the teams has a conflict with a US Youth Soccer sanctioned tournament match;
3. One of the teams has a conflict with a State Cup match;
4. One of the teams has at least 2 players involved in a conflicting ODP function;
5. One of the teams has at least 2 players involved in SAT/ACT testing;
6. The scheduled field has been closed by an appropriate authority;
7. The center referee determines the scheduled field to be unplayable or otherwise terminates the game pursuant to the Laws of the Game;
8. Lack of a qualified referee.

B. **Limit on Cancellations.** In any one particular season, a team may only be involved in a maximum of three cancelled games for the reasons set forth in A1 and A2 above. There is no limit to cancellations for the reasons in A3 – A8, but teams should make a concerted effort to avoid cancellations if possible.

### C. **Procedures.**

1. To cancel a game for the reason set forth in paragraph A1 above, the home team, as determined by the season schedule, must notify the appropriate Referee Assignor at least 48 hours prior to the start time of the game.
2. To cancel a game for the reasons set forth in paragraph A2 – A5 above the canceling team must notify an administrator of the opposing team at least 48 hours prior to the start of the game. The home team must then notify the appropriate Referee Assignor at least 48 hours prior to the start time of the game.
3. To reschedule a cancelled game, the home team must contact the appropriate Referee Assignor to obtain possible dates, times and fields for the rescheduled game. The home team must then contact an administrator of the opposing team to come to an agreement on the reschedule. The two teams must cooperate in the spirit of good sportsmanship. The home team must then contact the Referee Assignor to finalize the date, time, and field for the rescheduled game. If the two teams cannot come to an agreement for the reschedule, the matter will be submitted to the State Competition Director, who will make the final determination.
4. All make up games must be completed and scores entered into the ADG system within 14 days following the State Cup Final OR 14 days after the last scheduled match in your division, whichever is later. (Approved addition by Competition Board on 6.2009)

### D. **Penalties.**

If the teams agree to cancel a game pursuant to A1 above, and the home team fails to properly or timely notify the Referee Assignor of the cancellation as required in paragraph C1 above, the home team shall be responsible for payment of their portion of the referee fees for the game.

If a team fails to attend a scheduled game and has either failed to obtain the consent of the other team for a cancellation or has failed to notify the other team pursuant to paragraph C1 or C2 above, the non-attending team shall forfeit the game and shall be responsible for their portion of the referee fees for the game.

## 6:01:18:01 CHANGES TO PUBLISHED SCHEDULE

In the event that a published game has a TBD field, the home team must notify the opposing team of the field location no less than 72 hours prior to the start time of the originally scheduled game time.

In the event that a published game must be changed due to field availability, the home coach must notify the opposing coach of all changes (to include date, time and/or field location) no less than 72 hours prior to the start time of the originally scheduled game time or the new game time, whichever is earlier. (Approved addition by Competition Board on 6.2009)