



# 2016 SOCA Training Center Winter Futsal Classic Adult Tournament - December 18, 2016

The Soccer Organization of the Charlottesville Area (SOCA) invites you to participate in the inaugural Winter Futsal Classic at the SOCA Training Center in Ruckersville, Virginia. This one day event promises to offer fast paced and exciting 5v5 futsal fun. The adult event will feature Men's, Women's, Co-Rec, and Over-40 Divisions, and is open to teams in Charlottesville and the surrounding area. Get your team together now and join us this December!

## **Tournament Fee and Registration Process**

For a team registration form go to: <https://www.socaspot.org/tournaments/winter-futsal-classic/>

The fee is \$225.00 per team payable by check, credit card, or cash. There are three options for registration/payment:

- \* Call in your credit card information to 434-975-5025, ext. 111 and email your registration/roster to Tournament Director at Jason.Moore@socaspot.org;
- \* Mail in your registration with a check payable to "SOCA Winter Futsal Classic"
- \* Visit the SOCA office and take care of everything in one quick stop!

The SOCA office is located at: 1685 Polo Grounds Road  
Charlottesville VA, 22911

## **SOCA Training Center**

The SOCA Training Center is a club operated indoor facility devoted full time toward developing soccer players. The facility is located in Ruckersville, VA, right off of 29 North, just south of the intersection with Route 33. The Facility features one traditional hard surface futsal court and one sport turf futsal court.

Divisions can expect to play on only one surface over the course of the event. Event schedules will indicate the playing surface for all matches in the event.

## **Tournament Scheduling**

The tournament is a one-day format. Each team will play a minimum of three games with qualifying teams advancing to post-group play. Teams must be prepared to play any time between 8:00AM and 10:00PM. Matches will consist of two continuously timed twenty minute halves.

All teams are obligated to play all games as scheduled. NO scheduling changes will be made, except those deemed necessary by the Tournament Director. Failure to play any game as scheduled will result in a forfeit of the scheduled match by the team unable to fulfill their obligation. (see "Forfeit" below)

All matches will begin on time, there is no grace period. All teams are expected to report to the Training Center a minimum of 10 minutes prior to the scheduled start of their match. Any team unable to field a minimum of three players at the appointed start time will forfeit the match. The referee shall determine a team's preparedness at the scheduled start time. Forfeiture shall be declared to each team and reported to the Tournament Director.

### **Tournament Divisions**

All teams must designate as Men's, Women's, Co-Rec, or Over-40 when registering for the tournament. If possible, these divisions will be further sorted by competitive level as well. Teams are asked to designate on their registration form for either "Most Competitive" or "Least Competitive" divisions. Division placement of teams will be determined by the Tournament Director. The Tournament Director will do their best to provide an enjoyable and competitive schedule for all registered teams.

### **Awards**

Awards will be presented to the first place team in each division. Awards will be presented on site following the conclusion of the final game.

### **Player Eligibility**

A player may only be registered for play with one team for this event. All players must be above the age of 18 to participate in this event. Exceptions can be made for players of 16 and 17 years of age who have a signed medical release from a parent or guardian. All players will be registered through Virginia Futsal and the United States Futsal Federation.

### **Tournament Rosters**

Each team roster has a minimum of 7 and a maximum of 12 players allowed. Changes to tournament rosters may be made after the submission deadline (Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>) but must be made before the roster freeze date (Dec. 14<sup>th</sup>). No roster changes are accepted after the roster freeze date.

### **Team Check-In Process**

Teams will need to arrive no later than 30 minutes prior to their first scheduled kick-off. The Team Contact or Facilitator will need to bring:

- Two copies of the official tournament roster (as submitted to SOCA by December 12<sup>th</sup>)
- A medical release form for each player, any VYSA or club approved medical waiver is accepted (This is not necessary for those players registered for SOCA Adult teams in the 2016-17 soccer year).
- Each player on the team will need to be present at the time of team check-in and have picture identification with them.

Note: Player passes are not necessary for this event, unless you are registered to Virginia Futsal via another organization than SOCA.

### **Referee**

A single USFF certified referee will be used for all matches. As per the Futsal Laws of the Game, the referee's authority commences upon his/her arrival at the field of play. All decisions of the referee are final and binding. There are no protests and no appeals.

### **Tournament Director**

The tournament director is the final authority on all matters pertaining to the tournament. All decisions are

final. There are no protests and no appeals. The Tournament Director may appoint authorized persons to assist with tournament operations as needed.

### **Format**

Division alignments are at the discretion of the Tournament Director. All teams are guaranteed a minimum of three games.

Division standings will be decided upon the following basis:

Win = 3 points

Tie = 1 point

Loss = 0 points

### **Game Information**

All Matches shall be played in accordance with FIFA Futsal Laws of the Game. The Laws of the game can be found here: [https://virginiafutsal.demosphere-secure.com/\\_files/about/laws-of-the-game/2014-15%20Futsal%20Laws%20of%20the%20Game.pdf](https://virginiafutsal.demosphere-secure.com/_files/about/laws-of-the-game/2014-15%20Futsal%20Laws%20of%20the%20Game.pdf)

The following modifications will be made for this event:

1. The duration of the game will be 2 - 20 minute halves with a continuous clock kept. Each game will have a 4 minute halftime break. Warm-up time on the court will be very limited and all games will start at the time originally scheduled regardless of the amount of warm-up time given.
2. Teams must be ready to play 10 minutes prior to game time. Any team unable to field three players by kick-off will forfeit the match.
3. Goalkeeper may NOT throw ball across half way line for all age groups.
4. Scoring from a kick-off is not allowed
5. Position and movement of goalkeeper for a kick from 2nd penalty spot is the same as from the regular penalty spot (goalkeeper must be on goal line until ball is kicked).

### **Forfeit**

Any team forfeiting a match shall be declared the loser by a score of 5-0.

### **Match Tie-Breaker Procedures**

1. All preliminary matches ending in a tie at the end of regulation play shall remain as a tie.
2. In semi-final and final matches only the following shall apply if teams are tied at the end of regulation time, The winner will be determined by kicks from the penalty mark. Kicks from the mark will follow the FIFA Futsal Laws of the Game.

### **Group Standings and Tie-Breaking Procedures**

1. Results of head-to-head competition. \*\*\*Disregard if more than two teams are tied.
2. Goal differential in all group games. \*\*\* A maximum of 5 goal differential per game will be used.
3. Least goals allowed.
4. Most goals scored.
5. Fewest penalty points in all games played (Yellow Card = 1 point, red card = 2 points).
6. Coin Flip.

### **Uniforms and Game Balls**

All teams shall wear a uniform shirt of the same color throughout the event. SOCA will provide pinnies as needed. Game balls will be provided by SOCA.

### **Separation of Teams and Spectators**

Only players, facilitators/coaches, and match officials are allowed on to the playing surfaces. All

spectators are to stay in the spectator area in the front of the center or return after the completion of the match.

### **Team Contacts and Captains**

Each team must have at least one team contact or captain present for each match. This contact must be included on the pre-approved roster.

### **Refunds**

There are no refunds available after the registration deadline.

### **Tournament Cancellation Policy**

In the event the tournament is cancelled prior to the first game of the day, a pro-rated refund will be available. The amount will be determined by the circumstances that forced the cancellation. Teams will be alerted via e-mail of tournament cancellation, as well as an announcement made at [www.SOCAspot.org](http://www.SOCAspot.org) and on the SOCA weather line at 434-817-7246.

As an indoor event, every effort will be made to hold the tournament as planned. Only extremely dangerous travelling weather or serious compromise of venue safety will lead to cancellation.

### **HEADING RULE AT AGE GROUP DIVISIONS U11 AND YOUNGER**

Whenever the ball strikes a player in the head, play is stopped. The proper restart depends upon whether the player deliberately played the ball with his or her head. If deliberate, the proper restart is an indirect free kick to the opposing team. If this occurs within the goal area, the indirect free kick should be taken on the goal area line parallel to the goal line at the point nearest to where the infringement occurred. If the play by the head is deemed inadvertent, then the proper restart is a dropped ball.

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

**Registration Deadline** – December 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Tournament Schedule Release** – December 12<sup>th</sup>

**Roster Freeze Date** – December 14<sup>th</sup>

**Event Date** – December 18<sup>th</sup>

**\*\*\*Team check-in is 30 minutes before the first scheduled match at the SOCA Training Center**

### **Directions to SOCA Training Center**

126 Commerce Drive,  
Ruckersville, VA 22968

From Charlottesville, points south: Take US Route 29 North. Just before intersection with Route 33, Turn right onto Commerce Drive. Follow Commerce to the left. Entrance to parking lot for Training Center is on left. NO PETS, SMOKING, or ALCOHOL ALLOWED.

### **Medical Services Information**

There are two hospitals in the Charlottesville area in case of an emergency situation. An athletic trainer will be on-site for the duration of the tournament to handle all other minor medical issues.

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