

USYSNV

Nevada Championships 2008

Registration

- On-line only – *link to be put on web site.*
- \$500 plus \$17.50 registration fee.
- February 1st to March 31st 2008.
- Office will e-mail your team roster marked where original birth certificates need to be presented.
- Original birth certificates and transfers must be complete by 2 pm on April 7th, 2008.
- Office will e-mail final team roster to you after April 7th.
- Teams are to present their player passes at the State office:
 - 10 am to 3 pm Thursday April 10th and 11th.
 - 10 am to 1 pm Saturday April 12th.
- Any player whose original birth certificate is late for a valid reason may obtain a dispensation from the Nevada Championships Committee.
- *Dispensations will only be issued for a valid reason.*
- Original birth certificates must be presented before the player's first game in the competition, otherwise the player is ineligible for the duration of the competition.
- Get on to the birth certificates now!

Competition

- The competition will be conducted in accordance with the rules – <http://www.usysnv.net/StateCup/NevadaChampionshipsPolicies0708.pdf>.
- The following changes from 2007 should be noted:
 - Out-of-State players can participate as long as they:
 - Reside in an area is zoned for a high school that participates in the NIAA.
 - Are registered to a team that participates in a competitive league affiliated to USYSNV.
 - Have the permission of their home state USYS association to participate in the Nevada Championships.
 - Foul and Abusive Language Directed at a Game or Championship Official: Two (2) game suspension.
 - The fourth tie breaker is least disciplinary points.
 - Groups involving just two teams will play two games home and away with aggregate scoring.
 - First round used where needed to reduce the age groups to pools of 6, 8, 9, or 12.
 - Second round to reduce teams to 4:
 - U13 and U16: 2 northern and 2 southern.

- All other age groups: 1 northern and 3 southern.
 - First/second round begins on or after April 14th.
 - U13 and U16 first/second round to be completed on or before April 24th.
 - The rest to be completed on or before May 1st.
 - First and second round in own region.
 - Final round of 4 teams: semi-finals on Saturday, final and third/fourth place playoff on Sunday.
 - U13 and U16 final round in Reno 10/11 May.
 - All other ages (inc. U19) in Las Vegas 17/18 May.
- Seeding will be by coach consensus. Seeding meetings will be held April 1st to 5th.
 - As a general rule, for group play, where the teams advancing did not play each other, the previous seeding is retained.
 - Where the teams advancing played each other, their group placement dictates their seeding.
 - The following should also be noted:
 - A team is eligible if it:
 - Has had no more than 5 transfers on to the team in the 2007/2008 soccer year.
 - Did not compete in the America Cup 2007.
 - The head coach must have at least a state D license.
 - Any other coach having sole control of the team must be registered to the team and have at least a state E license.
 - Head coach absence must be legitimate.
 - A team that forfeits a game for any reason is disqualified from the competition.
 - Three points for a win points system.
 - **Teams found to be in infringement of the rules will be disqualified – there will be no exceptions.**

Other Issues

- The tournament is being organized such that no team will play more than one game per day, and on no more than two consecutive days.
- There will be a fourth official.
- Teams/players will be on the opposite side from the parents.
- Control of access to the players' side of the field will again be in force.
- Tournament official and field marshal abuse was a problem last year.
- Head coaches are asked to council parents on behavior.
- Anyone found to be unacceptably abusing tournament officials and field marshals will be banned from attendance at the competition.