



**Indiana Soccer Competition Update**  
**Live Announcement, March 26, Noon ET**



# WELCOME

- It was communicated on March 19, that all Indiana Soccer play was suspended through April 15 in response to the more aggressive social distancing request of the Governor.
- Indiana Soccer recognizes that some club facilities are closed beyond the April 15 date and is prepared to assist those clubs in finding alternate places to play until their field suspensions are rescinded.
- Most of the schedule amendments that we are going to share during this meeting are due to suspended facility access.

We will not have the ability to respond to questions during this presentation due to the large number of attendees, however, we invite you to direct your questions via email to George at [george@soccerindiana.org](mailto:george@soccerindiana.org) or Angel at [angel@soccerindiana.org](mailto:angel@soccerindiana.org). Everyone can access the questions along with the corresponding answers via the Indiana Soccer website: <https://www.soccerindiana.org/tournaments/competition-update/>



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- Please know that Indiana Soccer takes the current situation seriously and is working diligently to develop responsible and measured responses based on available facts. During the next several minutes, Angel Hall, George Perry and I will be sharing our amended approach to this spring's Cup and ISL activities.
- A significant number of facts were revealed by Governor Holcomb during his March 23rd remarks; one of which was his "stay-at-home" executive order that extends through April 7.
- Angel Hall will be addressing adjustments to the Cups schedule and following Angel, George Perry will be sharing modifications to league play.



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## CHALLENGE CUP CHANGES DUE TO UNAVAILABLE FACILITIES

	OLD	NEW
Brackets Posted	February 12	April 3
Schedule Released	March 31	April 17
Roster Freeze	April 24	May 8
11U - 17U Prelims	May 1-3	May 29-31
11U - 17U Finals	May 29-31	May 29-31

### Additional Information:

Any division with more than 16 teams will be divided into smaller divisions (EX: 12U Boys will be divided into a Blue and White division with 16 teams in each). Two Champions will be named/receive awards.

Game times will be reduced as follows: 11U-12U to (2) 25 minute halves  
13U-17U to (2) 30 minute halves

Coaches with multiple teams will need to be prepared for schedule conflicts. We will do our best, but there is no guarantee. We will not change the schedule after it is posted due to coach conflicts. You will need to make an alternate plan.

If any team must withdraw from CHALLENGE CUP due to the date change, you may do so before **APRIL 1** and receive a full refund. Please notify the Cup Committee with a SUPPORT TICKET.



**Angel Hall**  
Cup Director

## PRESIDENTS CUP CHANGES DUE TO UNAVAILABLE FACILITIES

	OLD	NEW
Schedule Released	March 31	April 17
Roster Freeze (all ages)	April 24 & May 8	May 8
11U - 12U Prelims	May 1-3	May 29-31
13U - 19U Prelims	May 15-17	May 15-17
11U - 19U Finals	May 29-31	May 29-31

### Additional Information:

Coaches with multiple teams will need to be prepared for schedule conflicts. We will do our best, but there is no guarantee. We will not change the schedule after it is posted due to coach conflicts. You will need to make an alternate plan.

Game times will be reduced as follows: 11U-12U to (2) 25 minute halves  
13U-19U remain the same

If an 11U or 12U team must withdraw from PRESIDENTS CUP due to the date change, you may do so before **APRIL 1** and receive a full refund. Please notify the Cup Committee with a SUPPORT TICKET.

Since we are still planning to play on the original dates, 13U - 19U teams are not permitted to withdraw. Penalties will be applied per the cup rules.



Angel Hall  
Cup Director

## STATE CUP CHANGES DUE TO UNAVAILABLE FACILITIES

	OLD	NEW
Schedule Released	March 31	April 17
Roster Freeze	May 8 (or 72 hours before first game)	May 8
Self-Schedule Games	Team's Choice	May 15-17
13U - 19U Prelims	May 15-17	May 15-17
11U - 19U Finals, Adults	May 29-31	May 29-31

### Additional Information:

Since a majority of the self-schedule games can no longer be played prior to the prelim weekend, ALL of the self-schedule games are being moved to the prelim weekend to keep the competition fair. Games will begin on Friday late afternoon. We will do our best to continue to schedule one game a day as much as possible.

Game times will not be reduced.

Coaches with multiple teams will need to be prepared for schedule conflicts. We will do our best, but there is no guarantee. We will not change the schedule after it is posted due to coach conflicts. You will need to make an alternate plan.

Since we are still planning to play on the original dates, STATE CUP teams are not permitted to withdraw. Penalties will be applied per the cup rules.



**Angel Hall**  
Cup Director

## MEMORIAL CUP CHANGES DUE TO FACILITY CAPACITY

	OLD	NEW
Registration Closes	April 15	April 22
Entry Fees Due	April 20	April 24
Schedule Released	May 10	May 10
Event Date	May 29-31	May 29-31
Event Location	Grand Park	Zionsville Youth Soccer

### Additional Information:

We are still planning to play on the original dates and the location is not substantially changing. MEMORIAL CUP teams that withdraw after May 9 will lose their entry fee.



Angel Hall  
Cup Director



## SANCTIONED TOURNAMENTS

### IN State:

The cancellation or postponement of sanctioned tournaments in Indiana is up to the event owner (club hosting the tournament). All clubs have been following the guidelines set out by the government (state and federal) and Indiana Soccer. Refund policies are entirely up to the event owner. Indiana Soccer is posting the cancellations/postponements on the Sanctioned Tournament webpage as we learn of them.

### OUT of State

The cancellation or postponement of any sanctioned tournament is up to the event owner (club hosting the tournament). Clubs in other states are being instructed by their state association as to their policies for cancellation/postponement. Refund policies are entirely up to the event owner. You will have to check with the event owner to find out about cancellation and/or refunds.

In the meantime, Indiana Soccer will continue to process travel permission forms for teams that request them so you have all the documentation you need once the play suspension has been lifted (for Indiana - that date is currently April 15).



Angel Hall  
Cup Director



## INDIANA SOCCER LEAGUE PLAY

- Indiana Soccer Leagues: ISL, ECIYSL & NESSL are suspended through April 15
- All games that were scheduled through April 15 have been postponed
- Teams will need to reach out to their opponent to come to an agreement when to reschedule the game
- We are extending league play through June 28
- To reschedule a game(s), please submit a support ticket. There is a Webinar on the ISL website on How to Write a Support Ticket
  - Be sure to use this season as the event, ISL Spring 2020 All Ages and Divisions
  - Be sure to include game #, proposed date, time & location
  - Remember, only one support ticket can be opened for any one team. Just add additional games in the same support ticket



**George Perry**  
ISL Commissioner



## INDIANA SOCCER LEAGUE PLAY

- Teams will be able to schedule two 11v11 games on the same date
- You may also schedule three games on a weekend
  - One game each, Friday, Saturday, Sunday
  - Two games on Saturday, one game on Sunday
  - One game on Saturday, two games on Sunday
- When there are two games on the same day, there must be:
  - 9v9 games, a minimum of 3 hours between the end of the 1st game and the beginning of the 2nd game
  - 11v11 games, a minimum of 4 hours between the end of the 1st game and the beginning of the 2nd game



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ISL Commissioner

## INDIANA SOCCER LEAGUE PLAY

### Change Fees

- There will be no change fees for games moved that were originally scheduled during the postponed period.
- If a team would like to move a currently scheduled game to another date (with the approval of their opponent) to accommodate a re-schedule, neither game will be assessed a change fee.



**George Perry**  
ISL Commissioner



## REGIONAL LEAGUE PLAY

- Up to US Youth to make those decisions/announcements
- Will keep you informed
- At this time, Great Lakes & Midwest Conferences and National League play is suspended through April 15.

## REC LEAGUE PLAY

- Each club is making their own decision about hosting their spring rec season. As of right now, rec league play is suspended through April 15.



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ISL Commissioner



## EARLY COMMITMENTS

- Early commitments may begin May 1
- To commit early, a player must:
  - Sign and date a commitment form (must include option for release prior to start of tryouts) provided by the club
  - Pay a deposit (minimum of \$25) to the club
- To earn a release from an early commitment, a player must:
  - Submit a written request to the club's board of directors and Indiana Soccer Registrar prior to the tryout date for that player.
  - Until the release is granted, the player may not tryout for another club.
- If a player is granted a release from their Early Commitment, the club they committed to must refund any monies paid that exceeds the minimum deposit of \$25. Clubs may choose to also refund the \$25.

## TRYOUTS FOR THE 2020-2021 SEASON

- 10U and younger players begins Wednesday, June 24, 2020
- 11U & older playersz begins Monday, June 29, 2020
- FYI, the IHSAA moratorium is June 29 - July 5, 2020



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ISL Commissioner



## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

If you have paid employees and are considering laying these employees off due to the current situation, please investigate all your options so that you can choose the best option for both the employee and the organization. As of the preparation of these notes, an employer's options were different if an action was taken before April 2nd as opposed to after April 2nd. This topic appears to be fluid; however I urge you to explore this topic with an accountant that possesses knowledge about this subject.

It may be premature to discuss, however, if a member club finds themselves experience financial hardship as a result of the pandemic, the Small Business Administration "SBA" created the <https://www.sba.gov/page/coronavirus-covid-19-small-business-guidance-loan-resources> link where . Additional information can be found at <https://www.sba.gov/offices/disaster/dacsc> or by calling 800-659-2955. The proposed stimulus bill provides for \$350 billion new funding available for SBA loans.

Should Governor Holcomb provide additional information that significantly impacts the schedules and plans discussed today, Indiana Soccer will develop alternative plans and promptly schedule another Zoom meeting.



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Executive Director

## THANK YOU

The entire staff and your Board of Directors thanks you and appreciates the opportunity to serve you.

We urge you during these uncertain times, to stay engaged with your administrators, volunteers, coaches, player and parents. If you want to learn how your club can engage your players with e-sports, visit <https://www.soccerindiana.org/esports/> and or contact Gus Chikamba at [gus@soccerindiana.org](mailto:gus@soccerindiana.org). Several clubs are already taking advantage of the Indiana Soccer e-sports league platform by involving their coaches and players using FIFA 20. The Indiana Soccer platform and EA's FIFA 20 supports both Xbox One - Xbox One S - Xbox One X and Playstation 4 and the unreleased Playstation 5

As mentioned earlier, If you have any questions regarding anything discussed during this meeting, please direct your questions to either Angel at [angel@soccerindiana.org](mailto:angel@soccerindiana.org) or George at [george@soccerindiana.org](mailto:george@soccerindiana.org)

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**STAY HOME AND STAY SAFE & URGE OTHERS  
TO DO THE SAME!**



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