

ECNL RL NTX/ Pre ECNL-Scheduling Policies

Scheduling

U16- U8/19 will play a weighted schedule in the Fall to avoid the HS season in the Spring.

U13 – U15 will play a balanced Fall/Spring schedule. U15 will play predominately on Sundays in February/March.

- Schedule request for coaches and teams who play outside the ECNL, ECNL RL, ECNL RL NTX, and PRE ECNL platform will be heard, but Not Guaranteed.
- We will do our best to accommodate coaches who have teams playing in the ECNL/ECRL Texas Conference however it is impossible to facilitate every conflict.
- We have tried to avoid traditional showcase events for our older age groups. Schedule requests for tournaments that fall within the season will not be accommodated.
- Any team that has been accepted into an ECNL RL National event will be given immediate priority for a schedule change request.

Reschedules:

After the schedules have been prepared, no schedule changes will be allowed except in the case of inclement weather. Exceptions to this policy may be made only by the Deputy Director and only under very rare and extraordinary circumstances. The Deputy Director will post the rescheduled game on the website at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the time of the rescheduled game

Initiating a reschedule

Teams will be charged a \$50.00 fee to initiate a reschedule. Any team initiating a reschedule less than 72 hours prior to the start of the game to be rescheduled will be charged a \$200.00 fee. Payment must be received by the Deputy Director before the rescheduled game is played. If payment is not received and the game cannot be played because of this nonpayment prior to the end of the current season, the game will not be played and the team requesting the reschedule will forfeit the game. Forfeit fees will apply.

[NOTE: Reschedules must be for a valid, very rare, extraordinary reason and must be granted by the Deputy Director.]

COVID Cancellations

If any team or club is unable or unwilling to participate in any specific ECNL RL NTX Competition due to a COVID Concern, the team or club must provide written notice to the ECNL RL NTX identifying the specific ECNL RL NTX Competition(s) impacted by the COVID Concern and the specific reasons for not participating in such competition. The club or team shall provide the written notice to the ECNL RL NTX as soon as possible and in no event less than 24 hours after it has confirmed its inability or unwillingness to participate.

The ECNL RL NTX RL NTX Conference will follow the following:

- Positive tested players will be banned from competition for 5 days before resuming play.
- We recommend testing for the remaining members of the team
- The team is **expected by the league** to play their game(s) minus the positive player(s) and/or staff.
- COVID Cancellations will not be rescheduled
- COVID Cancellations will affect Post season qualification
- Cancelling Team will pay all fees associated with Cancellation.
- Please notify ECNL RL NTX Director, Aaron Gordon, if there is a Positive COVID-19 test. Notification must be made by email. aarong@texasclubsoccer.com

Forfeited Competition

All clubs participating in the ECNL RL NTX are expected to play all ECNL Regional League Competitions that are scheduled by the league. Any team that willingly forfeits a league competition will face the following.

Any team that forfeits any games during the season may be immediately dropped from the League and shall be required to demonstrate to the satisfaction of the League Director, its ability to field a complete team at each scheduled game before it will be readmitted to the League. In addition, any team that forfeits a game must pay a \$500 fine and will incur a three (3) point deduction for the team and a one (1) point deduction from the club program in the standings. Any fine levied for a forfeit must be paid prior to the team's next game or within 10 days, whichever is sooner. Any fine not paid by the forfeiting team within 30 days of notification by ECNL RL NTX shall become the responsibility of the forfeiting team's club. The club will have 10 days after receiving notification from ECNL RL NTX to pay the fine.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL FORFEITS BE CONSIDERED FOR RESCHEDULING.