

ECNL RL NTX/ Pre ECNL / NPL -Scheduling Policies

2024 2025

Scheduling

U15- U18/19 will play a weighted schedule in the Fall to avoid the HS season in the Spring.

U13 – U14 will play a balanced Fall/Spring schedule. U15 will play predominately on Sundays in February/March.

U10 – U12 will play a fall season and then teams will be re-flighted based on fall standings for the Spring season.

- Schedule request for coaches and teams who play outside the ECNL, ECNL RL, ECNL RL NTX, PRE ECNL and NPL NTX platform will be heard, but **Not Guaranteed**.
- We will do our best to accommodate coaches who have teams playing in the ECNL/ECNL Regional League Texas Conference; however, it is impossible to facilitate every conflict, especially when coaches are out of town.
- 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 or Pre ECNL event will be given immediate priority for a schedule change request.

Reschedules:

Once the schedules have been released, no schedule changes will be allowed except in the case of bullet points described above and 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.

Initiating a reschedule: (Steps)

1. In the event of a **rare or extraordinary circumstance**, teams must communicate directly to the **Deputy League Director (Logan Biggs – lbiggs@texasclubsoccer.com) and receive email confirmation that a reschedule has been approved.**
 - a. **Playing in leagues outside the ECNL platform is not rare or extraordinary. Rescheduling fees will apply.**
 - b. **Playing in tournaments during league play is not rare or extraordinary. Rescheduling fees will apply.**
2. Pay the fee associated with approved reschedule request. **The game WILL NOT be taken off the schedule before receiving payment.**
 - a. Venmo - @texasclubsoccer
 - b. Paypal - paypal.me/ecnlrlntx
3. **Reschedule Fees**
 - a. **\$50.00 fee to reschedule any approved game.**

- b. \$200 fee to reschedule on the Wednesday prior to the scheduled game weekend.
- c. \$350 fee to reschedule on the Thursday prior to the scheduled game weekend.
- d. There will be no schedule request consideration on the Friday prior to the scheduled game weekend.

4. Payment must be received by the Deputy Director as soon as the reschedule request has been approved and confirmed via email or phone. If payment is not received within 24 hours 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.]

Forfeited Competition

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

1. Any team that forfeits any game during the season may be immediately dropped from the League and shall be required to demonstrate its ability to field a complete team for the remainder of the season.
2. Any team that willingly forfeits a league 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.
3. Any fine levied for a forfeit must be paid prior to the team's next game or within 10 days, whichever is sooner.
4. Any fine not paid by the forfeiting team within 30 days of notification by Texas Club Soccer League shall become the responsibility of the forfeiting team's club. The club will have 10 days after receiving notification from Texas Club Soccer League to pay the fine.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL FORFEITS BE CONSIDERED FOR RESCHEDULING.