

## 2025-2026 ECNL RL NTX / Pre ECNL / NPL Scheduling Policies

### Schedule Structure

#### Age Group Format:

- **U15-U18/19:** Weighted schedule in Fall (lighter Spring schedule to avoid high school season conflicts)
- **U13-U14:** Balanced Fall/Spring schedule
- **U10-U12:** Re-flighted for Spring season based on Fall standings

### Schedule Request Policy

#### General Guidelines:

- Schedule requests for teams playing outside ECNL platforms (ECNL, ECNL RL, ECNL RL NTX, Pre ECNL, NPL NTX) will be considered but **are not guaranteed**
- We accommodate ECNL/ECNL Regional League Texas Conference conflicts, when possible, but cannot resolve every scheduling conflict.
- Non-ECNL Tournament requests during the league season **will not be accommodated**

**Priority Exception:** Teams accepted into ECNL RL National events receive immediate priority for schedule change requests.

### Reschedule Policy

**Important:** Once schedules are released, changes are only permitted for inclement weather or very rare, extraordinary circumstances as approved by the Deputy Director, Logan Biggs.

### Reschedule Process

#### Step 1: Request Approval

- Contact Deputy League Director Logan Biggs ([lbiggs@texasclubsoccer.com](mailto:lbiggs@texasclubsoccer.com))
- Receive written email confirmation before proceeding
- **Note:** Playing in outside leagues or tournaments does not qualify as extraordinary circumstances

#### Step 2: Payment

- Pay the required fee immediately upon approval
- Payment methods:
  - Venmo: @texasclubsoccer or
  - PayPal: paypal.me/ecnrlntx
- **Games will not be rescheduled until payment is received**

#### Step 3: Timeline Requirements

- Payment must be received within 24 hours of approval
- Failure to pay within 24 hours results in an automatic forfeit

### Reschedule Fees:

Timing	Fee
Standard reschedule	\$50
Less than 72 hours' notice	\$225

<b>Timing</b>	<b>Fee</b>
Less than 48 hours' notice	\$350
Less than 24 hours' notice	<b>Not permitted</b> - forfeit fees apply

### **Forfeit Policy**

All ECNL RL NTX, Pre ECNL, and NPL teams are expected to play in all scheduled league competitions.

### **Consequences for Willful Forfeits**

#### **Immediate Actions:**

1. **A \$500 fine** must be paid before the next game or within 10 days (whichever is sooner)
2. Team may be **immediately dropped from the league**
3. Team must demonstrate the ability to field complete roster for remainder of season

#### **Important Reminders**

- **Forfeits cannot be rescheduled under any circumstances**
- All rescheduling requests must meet "very rare and extraordinary" criteria
- Deputy Director has final authority on all scheduling decisions