

## **SECTION XI**

### **PLAYOFF GAME PROCEDURES**

- I.
1. The home team shall provide 3 game balls for use during the Section XI contest.
  2. Each team is to provide 2 ball runners at each contest.
  3. 2 - 40 minute halves.
  4. 2 - 15 minute overtimes - sudden victory. A coin toss to start the overtimes. A 5-minute intermission before the overtime period begins.
  5. Penalty Kicks:
    - a. The head referee shall choose the goal.
    - b. Each coach will select 5 players, including the goalkeeper or any player on or off the field, except a disqualified player to take the kicks.
    - c. A coin toss to be held. The winner of the toss has the choice of kicking first or second.
    - d. Teams will alternate kickers.
    - e. The defending team may change the goalkeeper prior to each penalty kick.
    - f. Team with the greatest number of goals is declared the winner.
    - g. If score remains tied, 5 different players will shoot in a sudden victory situation, where the game is ended as soon as 1 team scores and the other fails to do so.
    - h. If the score remains a tie, the coach may then select any 5 players of his choice to continue in sudden victory fashion.
    - i. During all tiebreaker penalty kicks, the ball remains alive until its momentum is spent, it goes out of bounds, or it is retouched by the kicker.
    - j. If the score is tied at any point after the regulation time, the referees (officials) may, if darkness prevails, halt the contest and replay the game - from the beginning of the overtime periods - before a new round of overtimes or penalty kicks begins: The game would then resume with:
      - 2 - 15 minute overtimes - sudden victory
      - 1<sup>st</sup> round of penalty kicks
      - 2<sup>nd</sup> round of penalty kicks
  6. Section XI's Misconduct Policy is in effect for all tournament games.

## II. Suspended Games

1. For Regular Season - If a game is suspended because of conditions which make it impossible to play, the game shall be official if one complete half or more of the game has been played. If the game is suspended during the first half and is not able to be resumed that day, it must be replayed in its entirety from the start.
2. For Section Tournament - If a game is suspended at any point, it shall be resumed from the point of suspension (including overtime and tie-breaking procedures).
3. For State Tournament - In the event a game must be suspended because of conditions which make it impossible to play, the head referee shall declare the game official if one complete half or more of the game has been played and one team is ahead in the score. If less than one half has been played, the game will resume from the point of suspension. If the game is tied in the second half the game will resume from the point of suspension.

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