



UPPER ISLAND PACIFIC DEVELOPMENT CUP

The Upper Island Soccer Association introduced a new District Cup for Tier 3 players in 2016-17, the Pacific Development Cup.

Pacific Development Cup playdowns for U14-U18 teams in UISA league (Tier 3) will be held on designated weekends during the regular playing season, and the competition will wrap up with finals on the second-last or last weekend of the season.

Only teams in the Tier 3 UISA League (B-cup level) are eligible for this competition.

For the Super 8 divisions, a Pacific Development Jamboree will be held during the season.

U14-U18 teams will play 11-aside matches.

Super 8 teams will play 8-aside matches.

U14-U18 Pacific Development Cup winners will go on to be the Upper Island Representatives for the Island Invitational finals against Lower Island in late April/May.

Playdown format for U14-U18:

Games played on designated Pacific Development Cup weekends spread throughout the season

For the 2019-20 season, preliminary round games may begin as early as October 20, if we have divisions with more than 4 teams declared.

Format:

Playdown brackets will be seeded by random draw, all games will be regulation length.

Preliminary rounds: a home and away series for each pair of competitors on the bracket, games may end in a tie, no overtime will be played.

Teams will be awarded 3 points for a win, 1 point for a draw and 0 points for a loss.

If a pair of competing teams are tied on points after regulation time in their second game, the winner will be decided by penalty kicks. Any 11 players from each team will be allowed to take part in the penalty kicks.

Finals: a single game elimination match, with overtime and PKs if needed. Finals will be scheduled for the second-last weekend of the season.

Jamboree format for Super8s:

Players will be randomly mixed rather than club team-based for this event. Teams may be required to register online for the event, and there will be no fee charged.

Scheduling notes:

- Host clubs will be responsible for setting game times and fields, and providing officials for the U14-U18 games.

-Host clubs will be responsible for providing fields for the Jamborees (which can be self refereed by the coaches).

PACIFIC DEVELOPMENT CUP COACHES, CLUBS & REFEREE

INFORMATION

2019-2020

1. Clubs are responsible for scheduling all game officials for 11-aside games. All Cup games SHOULD have 3 registered game officials.
2. Teams should use the match reports in the UISA software to report their scores.
3. Referees must be a minimum of 2 years older than the players and must have at least 2 years experience with a level 4 or higher certification. Preferably experienced adult referees.
4. Referee assistants must be the same age or older than the players and hold a level 4 certification or higher.
5. No referee or assistant may officiate a game in which an immediate relative is participating. If a referee has been assigned to a game with a relative playing he/she should refuse to do the game.
6. If the referee is not able to finish officiating a game, the first assistant referee will take over. The first assistant referee must be the same age or older than the players.
7. Pacific Development Cup 11-aside games have precedence over League and Exhibition games.
8. Clubs should schedule Pacific Development Cup games on the best fields available.
9. Teams and spectators must be on opposite sides of the field and not behind the goals.
10. All PLAYERS and TEAM OFFICIALS on 11-aside teams must have and present to the game officials BC Soccer picture ID cards or they cannot sit on the bench or play. Teams must have a carded team official on the bench of the same gender as the players.
11. All UISA rules must be followed.

** Current District Referee scheduler is Kevin Cowie: [contact information](#) is on UISA website

Player Pickup Rules for Pacific Development Cup

Teams will be allowed to pick up players to replace missing or injured players if their roster drops below 15 for the Pacific Development Cup competition.

- The purpose of the pick-up rules is to provide teams with the ability to have enough players to compete in the Pacific Development Cup. They are not to be used for the purpose of strengthening rosters by dropping players to pick up stronger ones.
- Players who are being replaced by a pick-up player must be released through a medical certificate or a letter from the parent and player indicating the player's unavailability;
- A team may pick up registered players to bring their roster up to equal the number of players on the team's roster form for the current season.
- Players selected may be from either a) a lower or equal age group and equal level of play or b) a lower or equal age and lower level of play. Players selected may not be from a higher level of play. (That means a U14 team can not pick up any VIPL/BCSPL players, or a player who is of U14 age but registered on a U15, or older, UISA league team. The same U14 team can pick up a player who is of U13 age and registered on a U13 or U14 UISA league team, and they can pick up any U14 age house player).
- Any player who is picked up can only be chosen from teams within the same club(s), and they must have their club's approval.

Email applications to pick up players for the Pacific Development Cup are to be submitted to the Upper Island Soccer Association at least **two days** in advance of the game in question. The Upper Island district must approve all players picked up for the Pacific Development Cup.