

**NORTH TEXAS STATE SOCCER ASSOCIATION
2023 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Proposed Rule Change #1**

Existing Rule:

3.10.8 Player Releases

Recreational Player Releases:

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Proposed by: Jim Mills, Youth Commissioner NTSSA		Rule Book Page: 29
JUSTIFICATION: This change is to help registrars release, register, and add recreational players in a timelier manner that are moving from one association to another mid-year for recreational play. It will eliminate the need for NTSSA to review and approve the form, since the releasing association is acknowledging the release with their required signature.		
Executive Committee Recommendation:	For: 0	Against: 7
YOUTH ONLY VOTE		

**NORTH TEXAS STATE SOCCER ASSOCIATION
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Proposed Rule Change #2**

Existing Rule:

3.14.3 Law III - Number of Players and Substitution

- 13U and older shall play 11v11.
- 12U shall play 9v9
- 10U shall play 7v7
- 8U and younger shall play 4v4 with no goalkeeper.

Proposed Change:

3.14.3 Law III - Number of Players and Substitution

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Proposed by: Janet Campbell, President	Rule Book Page: 39
JUSTIFICATION: Should an association and its members decide that a different configuration of play is better for their organization, due to availability of players or any other reason, we do not want to limit their ability to play the game.	
Executive Committee Recommendation:	For: 8 Against: 0
YOUTH ONLY VOTE	

**NORTH TEXAS STATE SOCCER ASSOCIATION
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Proposed Rule Change #3**

Existing Rule:

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8. Teams shall be allowed the following maximum number of players on its roster at any given time during the seasonal year.

- Adult – maximum 25 players
- 16U and 19U – maximum 22 players
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Proposed by: Janet Campbell, President		Rule Book Page: 40
JUSTIFICATION: Roster size exceptions are requested on a regular basis. This gives flexibility to the associations to be able to accommodate more players if needed due to team availability or playing format variations.		
Executive Committee Recommendation:	For: 8	Against: 0
ALL ONLY VOTE		

**NORTH TEXAS STATE SOCCER ASSOCIATION
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Proposed Rule Change #4**

Existing Rule:

6.4 POLICY FOR RECREATIONAL TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS

- 6.4.1 Only one boys' team and one girls' team **PER** age group per association allowed.
- 6.4.2 No Guest Players allowed.
- 6.4.3 At least 75% of the players on a team's roster must be from within the territory of the association that the team represents. The only exceptions to this rule are:
 - a. A team that has played in the association that the team represents for at least two years is exempt from this rule.
 - b. A player whose territorial association does not offer his age group is exempt from this rule
- 6.4.4 Rosters are frozen on the date specified by **NTSSA**.
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Proposed by: Tony DeBruno, Cup and Games		Rule Book Page: 56
JUSTIFICATION: Teams are finding ways to compete in TOC which is in direct conflict with the ideology of this event. This gives flexibility to the committee to be able to prevent competitive teams from other organization from competing in TOC>		
Executive Committee Recommendation:	For: 7	Against: 0
YOUTH ONLY VOTE		