SOSA League Reschedule Policy

- **A.** Team Officials will have the opportunity to submit a request for blackout dates by April 10. Two dates may be given; the Scheduler will attempt to avoid including them in the schedule. If it is not possible to avoid using both, priority will be given to the first date listed.
- **B.** The schedule will be posted by May 1st. Teams have until the first day of their season to initiate the rescheduling of ONE game if required. By May 31st, final details of the rescheduled game (Date, Time, Field, and Game Number) must be submitted to the SOSA League Manager. Acceptable reasons for using this reschedule include graduation or numerous players away for family or school functions in the same week.
- **C.** After May 31st, all games will be played as scheduled unless:
- Postponement is necessary due to severe weather or unsafe field conditions.
- A game is postponed at the discretion of the League.
- A game is postponed at the discretion of the community or school district responsible for the field.
- The referee does not show up within 20 minutes of the scheduled kick-off time, and no other Referee is available to replace him/her.

Request to Reschedule – Exceptional Reasons

- **D.** A team may *request* to reschedule additional game(s) **only** for the following reasons:
 - 1) A team has two or more of its players selected to participate with a CSA, OS, or District team or participate in University Tryouts within 24 hours of a scheduled League game, and the Team provides at least 48 hours' notice to the SOSA League Manager to have the game postponed.
 - 2) A team is scheduled to participate in an Ontario Cup game 60 hours before a scheduled SOSA League game, and the Team provides at least seven days' notice to the SOSA League Manager that it requests to have the game postponed.
 - 3) A team may submit an exemption request by email due to complete teams traveling (*not longer than three weeks*). Requests received after May 1st will not be accepted.
 - 4) A team that has Monday night as its regular game night may submit one additional exception request due to a team's entry into a tournament on the preceding weekend. The SOSA League may request a copy of the tournament entry form to verify the request. All other rescheduling rules and dates apply.
 - 5) All requests will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis for approval. Teams using one of these reasons in Section D *must* get approval before beginning the reschedule process with the other team.
- E. Reschedules of games postponed due to weather or field conditions must be arranged and submitted within 14 calendar days of the original game.

Please follow these steps and timelines. Track all communication.

- 1) The home team sends three dates for the rescheduled game to the away team within five business days (*please count business days to allow for communication with the Club*).
- 2) The away team responds within three business days of these dates being sent.
- 3) All details of the rescheduled game (Date, Time, Field, and Game Number) are sent to the League Manager once they are finalized. The entire reschedule process must **not** take more than 14 calendar days.
- 4) Please work cooperatively with the other team to finalize details.
- 5) Be willing to use your practice time to play the game.

If there are difficulties finding a date, please communicate with the SOSA League Manager. There is a fine of \$100 charged to both teams for not completing a reschedule within 14 days unless these circumstances have been communicated before the deadline.

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