

## **Broadening CMFSC Teams' Participation in Tournaments**

### **Background**

CMFSC has hosted and organized a variety of tournaments over the years including Labour Day, Thanksgiving, Domenic Mobilio Friendship/IA Jamboree. 2015 will see the 29<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> annual events for Labour Day Thanksgiving respectively.

As these events have grown, families have become busier and less willing to volunteer, while expectations around quality have increased. As a result, CMFSC has developed strategic relationships and leveraged City of Coquitlam contracts to enable the Club to continue to deliver superior events that are organized and presented with the highest standards in terms of player, officials, team, and family experience.

Our key partners are e11Management (marketing, registration, scheduling, staffing, etc.) and Canuel Catering (concessions), who both contribute to CMFSC Tournaments.

The continued success and growth of CMFSC's tournaments are an essential element of the City of Coquitlam's sports tourism and economic development strategy, attracting countless out of town teams to the area and activating thousands of families in positive physical activity.

### **Current Offerings**

Current CMFSC sponsored events are provided at the following age/levels of play. CMFSC teams in these age groups/levels of play are expected to participate in these events.

#### **CMFSC Labour Day/SX Cup**

- U13 - U14 PL (South Surrey AP)
- MSL (Town Centre)
- Div 1 (Cloverdale AP)

#### **CMFSC Thanksgiving**

- U10 - U12 Development/Selects (Town Centre)

#### **CMFSC Domenic Mobilio/IA Jamboree**

- U8 - U9 Development
- U5 - U12 House

#### **Whitecaps Showcase**

- U15 - U18 PL (Newton AP)

## **CMFSC Tournament Subsidy**

The club has fielded requests over the years to support broader participation in tournaments across all age groups. Expansion has been prevented not only by limitation of available volunteers, as outlined previously, but also by facility availability and event conflicts.

In light of the evolution in the organization of our events, the CMFSC Board has created a new policy to broaden the participation of CMFSC teams in an annual tournament.

1. Each team will be provided with a credit of up to \$300 (“CMFSC Tournament Subsidy” or “Subsidy”) to participate in one (1) tournament annually.
2. Teams highlighted above under “Current Offerings” will have their credit applied against the identified event (i.e. MSL teams – Labour Day/SX Cup @ TC).
3. Teams in age/levels NOT highlighted under “Current Offerings” may participate in a tournament of their choosing and apply for reimbursement through their CMFSC Tournament Subsidy via the process in place to reimburse teams for official payments.
4. Teams identified in “Current Offerings”, may only apply their Subsidy to another event, IF their division proves not to be viable and their team cannot be accommodated in an alternate division.
5. The Subsidy will be applied against applicable entry fee only. Teams will be responsible for any fees in excess of the Subsidy.
6. This Subsidy will apply annually and will NOT carry-over from one year to the next nor accumulate. Excess Subsidy will NOT be refunded.

### **Note:**

This policy applies to YOUTH tournaments only.