

HOUSTON PRE-LABOR DAY CUP

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TOURNAMENT INFO PACKET

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Players, Coaches and Team Managers,

Welcome to Houston Pre-Labor Day Cup 2024 sponsored by Dick's Sporting Goods! Please read all of the information in preparation for this year's event!

To maximize your enjoyment and experience whilst at this year's event, please read this document from start to finish prior to the event.

SCHEDULES

Schedules are now posted. They can be viewed, along with field maps & more tournament information, by visiting www.htxsoccer.com/HPLDC. All schedule requests made by Coaches and Club Directors have been honored by the Tournament Scheduling committee to the best of our abilities. If you see any errors in your schedule, please contact your Coach and/or Club Director. Schedules may change from what is now posted, until Wednesday, August 21st. However, please keep checking your schedule until Friday and over the course of the weekend as there may be slight changes if necessary.

ONLINE CHECK-IN

The deadline for Online Check-In has been extended to Thursday, August 22nd at midnight. If you have not completed this task, please do so ASAP.

There will be no Check-In at the fields without permission from the Tournament Director. HTX Soccer teams are not required to check-in.

ATHLETIC TRAINERS

Athletic Trainers are Provided by Memorial Herman and will be located at many of the sites for this event. Please view the Tournament Field Maps for specific locations. If you need help finding your nearest trainer, please visit the Tournament HQ at the location you are at!

HYDRATION & NUTRITION

- Drink water to prepare for the weekend. You should be hydrating the day before the games, making sure to consume a minimum of 64oz of water the day before and more than that each day so that you are able to re-hydrate between games.
- Avoid dairy, carbohydrates (bread, waffles, pancakes) and other foods that are hard to digest the before games. Eat fruit prior such as watermelon and bananas. These are both light on the digestive system and will also help you hydrate.



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- Bring at least 64oz of water with you to the games. The weather is going to be hot and you need to keep hydrated before, during and after the games.
- Drink some Gatorade/Powerade after the session to help you replenish the electrolytes you lost through your sweat during the games.

SCORING

- Game cards will be provided by referees and the referees will turn in the game cards.
- These scores will be posted online approx. 90 mins after game.
- Any questions regarding scores, please contact the Tournament HQ.

TOURNAMENT RULES

To view the Houston Pre-Labor Day Cup 2024 rules, please visit www.htxsoccer.com/tournaments/pre-labor-day-cup/

FINALS, TIEBREAKERS AND AWARDS

BRACKET ADVACEMENTS

4 Team Brackets: Round robin. Two teams with the highest total points will play in the final.

6 Team Brackets: Cross bracket format. Teams in Bracket A play teams in Bracket B. Two teams with the highest total points will play in the final regardless of what bracket they are in.

8 Team Brackets: Bracket A play round robin, Bracket B play round robin. The team with the highest total points in Bracket A will play the team with the highest total points in Bracket B in the final.

TIE BREAKERS

The tie breakers are as follows:

1. Winner of head to head competition
2. Net goals (goal difference, limit of +/- 3 per game)
3. Most goals scored (maximum of 3 goals per game)
4. Goals against
5. Most total wins
6. Penalty Kicks from the spot



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AWARDS

The 1st and 2nd place team in each flight (Gold, Silver, Bronze) will receive awards.

PARKING

Parking is always a challenge at tournaments. Please encourage your families to take the following steps to reduce parking headaches (and view site-specific information on the tournament website for more parking information):

- Give yourself plenty of extra time to arrive at the fields. If you're running late, you will be tempted to stop in the middle of the roadway and drop kids off at the fields, which is both unsafe and slows down the progress of other drivers.
- Carpooling will reduce your stress as well.

TOURNAMENT ETIQUETTE

Please obey the rules and regulations associated with each of our tournament sites. The tournament committee and site coordinators reserves the right to remove spectators behaving inappropriately.

TOURNAMENT APPAREL

The tournament apparel is supplied by Fine Designs. Fine Designs will be set up at multiple sites over the course of the weekend.

WEATHER ALERTS

In the event of inclement, such as lightning (within 10 miles) or heavy rain that causes unsafe conditions, field status and information will be communicated by:

EMAIL

The emails will come from a GotSoccer email to the coaches, team managers and contact person listed on the teams GotSoccer account. If you aren't sure if your details are correct on your teams GotSoccer account, please login and update any information NOW!!

WEBSITE

Alerts and special announcements will be posted at www.htxsoccer.com/tournaments/pre-labor-day-cup/.



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Thank you for attending Houston Pre-Labor Day Cup 2024. We look forward to a positive and enjoyable experience for all participants.

Jason DeVore
Tournament Director