**RAJDHANI CUP**

Ottawa, ON

July 2 to 3, 2022

**Terms and Conditions**

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The Rajdhani Cup Terms and Conditions is organized as follows:

* Release and Waiver of Liability (Section 1)
* Eligibility (Section 2)
* Rules and Regulations (Section 3)
1. **Release and Waiver of Liability**

Please read carefully before participating in the Rajdhani Cup.

The risk of injury from the activities involved in the Rajdhani Cup is significant, including the potential for permanent paralysis and death, and while particular skills, equipment, and personal discipline may reduce the risk, the risk of serious injury does exist.

In view of the above, each participant SHALL sign a **Release and Waiver of Liability Agreement** by which the participant releases, waives and forever discharges the Rajdhani Cup Organizing Committee (AND any and all respective affiliates, administrators, coaches, officers, and volunteers), Nepalese Canadian Association of Ottawa, Non-Resident Nepali Association, other participants, vendors, sponsors, advertisers, and owners and lessees of premises used in connection with the Rajdhani Cup, with respect to any and all injury, disability, death, or loss or damage to person or property incurred as a result of participating in or being present at the Rajdhani Cup and its associated events.

Each participant must read the **Release and Waiver of Liability Agreement,** print their first and last name and sign it freely and voluntarily. By signing the agreement, each participant certifies that they have read the release and waiver of liability, fully understand its terms, and understand that they have given up substantial rights by signing.

1. **Eligibility**
* Only Nepalese or Nepalese descendants are eligible to participate as players in the Rajdhani Cup.
* Participants are eligible to play for only their home province team and cannot play for more than one team. This rule will be strictly implemented through validation of provincial government issued photo IDs such as drivers license or health card. In other words, government issued photo ID will be required to confirm participant eligibility into the tournament and to validate membership to a team.
* Registration will be virtual, but a registration check-in will be done prior to the start of the tournament on July 2, 2022. Managers or team captains shall ensure that each participant can provide a valid provincial photo ID. Please note that, if a participant is unable to present a provincial government issued photo ID, that person will not be eligible to play in the tournament.
* The list of participants (hereafter ‘roster’) should be identified in the Release and Waiver of Liability Agreement and submitted virtually. It shall include the full name of each participant and be signed by each participant. If a participant is a minor, a separate Release and Waiver of Liability Agreement must be signed by the parent/guardian of said minor. After roster submission, additional participants cannot be added thereafter.
* Each team can register a maximum of 18 participants to their roster. To be eligible to participate, each participant must sign the Release and Waiver of Liability Agreement.
* The use of ineligible players will result in forfeiture of the game and the offending team(s) will be penalized with a 2-0 loss.
1. **Rules and Regulations**
2. The games will be governed and regulated in accordance with FIFA Laws of the Game unless specified otherwise hereafter.
3. Player Equipment
	1. All players shall be equipped with proper footwear, shin guards and team jersey with number or name in the back of the jersey for identification purposes;
	2. Jewelry or metal stud cleats are prohibited in the field; and
	3. Goalies should have a separate colour jersey to differentiate them from their teammates and shall wear shin guards.
4. Substitutions
	1. Unlimited substitutions are allowed. Substitutions are only allowed during goal kicks.
	2. Goalie changes can only be made under dead ball situations and with the permission of the referee.
5. Failure to show
	1. Teams are required to be at the field at least 15 minutes prior to their game start time.
	2. A team will be allowed a 10-minute grace period from the scheduled kick-off time for late arrival.
	3. If a team is not on the field and ready to start within the 10-minutes grace period, the opposing team will be awarded the win. In a situation where both teams are not on the field and ready to begin within the 10-minutes grace period, both teams will forfeit the game and be penalized with a 2-0 loss.
	4. To play a game, a team must field at least nine players. If a team is unable to field nine players, the team with forfeit the game and be penalize with a 2-0 loss.
6. Discipline and abandoned games
	1. Any player or team official that receives a red card will be ineligible to continue in the ongoing game and will also be ineligible to participate in at least the team’s next game. Depending on the nature of the violation, the referee at his/her discretion, has the authority to suspend the individual from any further participation.
	2. A player who has been sent off is required to leave the field of play immediately, must take no further part in the game and cannot be replaced by a substitute, forcing the offending team to play with one player fewer.
7. Game duration/extra time and official ball sizes
	1. Round robin games will be 20 minutes each half with a 5-minute break between the halves.
		1. 20-minute first half – 5-minute break – 20-minute second half
	2. Semi final games will be 35 minutes each half with a 10-minute break
		1. 35-minute first half – 10-minute break – 35-minute second half
	3. Final game will be 45 minute each half with a 15-minute break
		1. 45-minute first half – 15-minute break – 45-minute second half
	4. Stoppage time to be added at the end of each half of play is at the discretion of the Referee.
	5. There will be no extra time in Round Robin games. If two teams draw, the match finishes as a draw. For semi-finals and finals, if the two teams draw, the two teams enter extra time, which will consist of 10 additional minutes of play. The game continues through all 10 minutes of extra time, whether or not goals are scored.
	6. If two teams draw after the expiry of extra time, both teams will take penalty kicks as per the FIFA Laws of the Game.
8. Protests
	1. Referee rulings and decisions are final. Protests from players, team officials and spectators will not be considered.
	2. Two of the most misunderstood laws are handling the ball and off-side. As spectators and coaches, please refrain from "helping" the referee by hollering HANDS! or OFFSIDES! It will help the referees if we let them call the game on the field.
	3. The Rajdhani cup Zero Tolerance Policy prohibits any person from addressing the referee during the game except to point out an emergency. A person who in the opinion of the referee violates the Zero Tolerance Policy will be warned, could be issued a Red Card and asked to leave the vicinity of the field of play, and the team may face further sanctions. Referees could be young people learning to referee or adults volunteering their time, so please be kind and courteous.
9. GENERAL
	1. The Rajdhani Cup Organizing Committee will not be responsible for any expenses incurred by any team if the tournament is cancelled in whole or in part due to inclement weather, COVID restrictions or unforeseen circumstances. Safety of participants will always be prioritized and decisions taken accordingly.
	2. The Rajdhani Cup Organizing Committee and its associated partners or sponsors will not be liable for any injuries sustained by any participant or spectator in the tournament, on or off the fields. For additional details, please refer to the Release and Waiver of Liability Agreement.
	3. The Rajdhani Cup Organizing Committee reserves the right to decide on all matters pertaining to the tournament and its interpretation of the rules and all other tournament documentation is final.