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APPLICATION TO HOST A TOURNAMENT OR GAMES

Name of Tournament or Games: **Jefferson Cup - Girls Showcase**

Hosting Organization: **Richmond Strikers**

Website: <http://jeffersoncup.strikerstournaments.com/>

President or Chief Officer of Hosting Organization: **Chris Friant**

Title: **Director Operations**

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Telephone: **877-644-6356** (H) Email: jeffersoncup@richmondstrikers.com

State Association or Affiliate: **Virginia Youth Soccer Association**

Location of Tournament or Games: **Richmond, VA**

Date(s) of Tournament or Games: **3/22/2019 - 3/24/2019** Team Entry Deadline: **12/1/2018**

Estimated Number of Teams: **400**

Address of Field (Tournament Headquarters): **Richmond Strikers 4202D Park Place Court, Glen Allen VA 23060**

Tournament or Games Director or Contact Person: **Steve D'Adamo**

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Telephone: **877-644-6356** (H) (W) (FAX) Email: jeffersoncup@richmondstrikers.com

Age Groups Accepted	Type(s) of Team Accepted	Gender	Roster Size	# Guest Players Allowed	Length of Games	Ball Size	Awards	Min # of Games	Entry Fee
U15	J	F	26	5	80	5	1st & 2nd	3	1200
U16	J	F	26	5	80	5	none	3	1250
U17	J	F	26	5	80	5	none	3	1250
U18	J	F	26	5	80	5	none	3	1250
U19	J	F	26	5	80	5	none	3	1250

Teams will be invited from: **All US Youth Soccer State Associations, Other US Soccer Member Organizations (List Below)**

Foreign Teams/State Associations/Affiliates/Other US Soccer Members: **US Club

President or Chief Officer of Hosting Organization: 

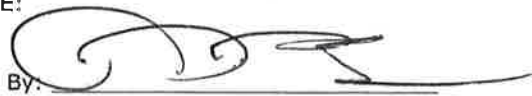
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APPROVAL

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STATE ASSOCIATION OR AFFILIATE: VIRGINIA YOUTH SOCCER ASSOC.

Date: 5/14/18

By: 

Title: Executive Director



**US Youth Soccer
TOURNAMENT OR GAMES HOSTING
AGREEMENT**



In consideration of permission being granted to **Richmond Strikers**, to hold a tournament or games at **Richmond, VA**, on the dates of **3/22/2019** through **3/24/2019**, we agree to the following conditions:

1. **ABIDE BY RULES:** We shall abide by all statements made in our approved US Youth Soccer Application to Host A Tournament or Games, in our tournament invitation, in our tournament rules, in the US Youth Soccer Travel and Tournament Policy and in this US Youth Soccer Tournament or Games Hosting Agreement. We agree that all decisions regarding acceptance of teams into a tournament shall be fairly and impartially made and shall not be based upon race, creed, color or national origin.

2. **INVITATIONS:** The tournament or games approval form shall accompany all tournament or games invitations distributed us.

3. **PROCURING LIABILITY INSURANCE:** We have procured liability insurance coverage for the tournament or games with limits of not less than \$1,000,000/\$2,000,000 which names the State Association or Affiliate with which the Hosting Organization is a member, US Youth Soccer and their officers and directors as additional insureds. A copy of the certificate of insurance is attached issued by [**Bollinger**].

4. **REQUIRING MEDICAL AUTHORIZATIONS:** We shall require all teams participating in the tournament or games to provide medical authorizations for each player in a form adequate for use at the site of the tournament or games. These authorizations shall be presented to the Hosting Organization at registration and kept at the field available for use by the team.

5. **ADVANCE PUBLICATION OF RULES:** We agree that our tournament or games rules shall be included with the invitation sent to each team and shall, again, be published to all teams accepted prior to the start of the tournament/games.

6. **CREDENTIALS CHECKS:** We agree that we shall conduct credentials checks [**at registration**] to ensure that all players are registered with US Youth Soccer or US Soccer, properly rostered with their team, and participating in accordance with representations set forth on the US Youth Soccer Application to Host a Tournament or Games.

7. **USE OF US SOCCER REGISTERED REFEREES:** We agree that we shall, in accordance with US Soccer Bylaw 532, use for all games only US Soccer registered referees who are in good standing (unless US Soccer has granted a waiver to allow the use of authorized referees from another country), and shall use a one- or 3-referee system. We intend to use a 3-referee system for the following age groups: [**all age groups**]. There will be an adequate number of US Soccer registered referees available in the area during the tournament or game dates to cover the scheduled games. We have selected the following assignor to assign referees for the tournament or games (**NOTE: Effective, September 1, 2001, ONLY US Soccer certified assignors may be used.**):

✓ **Beth Hatchel**

8. **USE OF FIELD MARSHALS - FIELD INSPECTION:** We agree that during the tournament or games each game field will have a field marshal assigned to it at all times; that the field marshal will be readily available and identifiable; that prior to the commencement of every game the field marshal will inspect the field to be sure that it is free from objects or conditions that may cause injury. If any condition exists which cannot be immediately corrected, it shall be brought to the attention of the referee and the tournament /games director. The Director of Field Marshals is:

Steve D'Adamo

9. USE OF SPECTATOR LINES: We agree to take appropriate steps including, where feasible, the use of spectator lines on each field to keep the spectators off the touch line.

10. PROVISION OF ADEQUATE TOURNAMENT COMMUNICATION: We agree to provide adequate communication by means of [phone, text or email] between the game fields and the tournament/games headquarters. The Tournament Communications Director is:

Steve D'Adamo

11. AVAILABILITY OF POLICE AND RESCUE SERVICE: We have notified the local police, ambulance, and emergency rescue services of the date of the tournament or games and the times and fields which will be used for games, and have been advised by them that they will be available to render assistance if needed.

12. TOURNAMENT OR GAME RULES ? BEHAVIOR: We agree that our tournament or game rules contain provisions ensuring that the behavior of teams, players, coaches, and spectators is appropriately controlled, including specific provisions that?

- a. spell out the disciplinary measures to be imposed for the issuance of red and yellow cards or other improper conduct;
- b. indicate what procedures will be followed regarding protests and appeals;
- c. indicate that all disciplinary measures imposed by hosting organizations shall be limited to placing restrictions upon an individual's group participation in the tournament/games;
- d. record the issuance of all red and yellow cards and other matters involving the conduct of a team, its players, coaches, and supporters and also report them immediately to the home State Association and the home club/league of the team; and
- e. state that the home State Association or Affiliate and the home club or league shall, except in the case of referee assault or abuse, have the responsibility for imposing, should circumstances warrant, additional penalties within their respective jurisdictions with regard to any matters arising from the tournament or games.

13. TOURNAMENT CANCELLATION: We agree that our tournament or game rules shall state what refunds, if any, shall be made to participating teams if all or a portion of the tournament or games is cancelled by the hosting organization for any reason.

14. POST TOURNAMENT OR GAMES REPORT: We agree that we shall file a Post Tournament or Games Report with the State Association or Affiliate granting us permission to host this tournament or games within 30 days after the conclusion of the tournament or games. We understand that failure to file the report shall preclude the tournament/games host from receiving approval for any tournament/games for the following seasonal years until the report is filed. The Post Tournament or Games Report shall include the following information:

- a. the number of teams participating in each age group (boys and girls);
- b. if a champion is determined, the name of the champion for each group;
- c. the number of teams from each State Association, Affiliate, other Organization Member, or foreign country;
- d. if "Sportsmanship Awards" are given, the criteria for the award and to whom awards were given;
- e. the number of fields used for the tournament/games;
- f. the name of the sponsor, if any; and
- g. the names and teams of all players issued red and yellow cards, and details of any other matters involving the improper or unsportsmanlike conduct of a team, its players, coaches or supporters. NOTE: Any incident of referee assault or referee abuse by a player, coach, manager, club official, or game official, or other incidents of a serious nature, must be reported to the alleged offender's club or league and home State Association, Affiliate, or other Organization Member immediately, but in no event later than 48 hours after an incident of referee assault or abuse.

Signature: _____

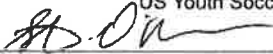
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Hosting Organization President or Chief Officer

5/10/2018

US Youth Soccer - Tournament or Games Hosting Agreement

Signature:  Date: _____
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Tournament or Games Director

Hosting Organization

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TEAM TYPES FORM

The Virginia Youth Soccer Association, Inc. (VYSA) has chosen to use only one of the team types recommended in the US Youth Soccer Travel and Tournament Policy Manual. VYSA uses US Youth Soccer Team Type J, and the VYSA team types listed below.

When completing an Application to Host a Tournament or Games, put **J** in the accepted team types box on the application form and check the appropriate type(s) of teams below that are eligible to play.

When completing an Application to Travel, put **J** in the Type of Team box on the application form and check the team type below that best matches your team.

Jefferson Cup Tournament & Showcase Series

NAME OF TOURNAMENT OR NAME OF LEAGUE OR CLUB HOSTING FRIENDLY GAMES

NAME OF TEAM TRAVELING TO TOURNAMENT OR FRIENDLY GAMES

- CLUB TEAM** – A travel or competitive team composed of players who are listed on the team’s VYSA league roster.
- CLUB TEAM WITH GUEST PLAYERS** – A travel or competitive team composed of players who are listed on the team’s VYSA league roster plus...
- 5 Number of guest players that can be either Club or Recreational players. Recreational players must be allowed as club guest players.
- LEAGUE SELECT TEAM** – The official “Select Team” of a league whose players are chosen on a league-wide basis from club teams. (NOTE: A VYSA League Select Team roster must be approved by the VYSA State or Regional Registrar for **each** tournament.)
- RECREATIONAL TEAM** – A team that participates in a recreational, house, or intramural program for a club, league or association
- RECREATIONAL TEAM WITH GUEST PLAYERS** – A team that participates in a recreational, house or intramural program for a club, league or association plus...
- Number of guest players that can only be Recreational players.
- RECREATIONAL ALL-STAR TEAM** – A team composed of players selected from more than one team that participates in a recreational, house, or intramural program for a club, league, or association.
- STATE SELECT TEAM** – The official “Select Team” of a State Association whose players are chosen on a statewide basis. In VYSA, these are the State Olympic Development Teams (ODP) which includes District ODP.

2019 Rules

A reminder to all teams, parents, and spectators –

- (1) **Drones and Arial video and photography and the use of HI-Pod (or similar) video camera equipment are not permitted at any facility used for the Jefferson Cup.**
- (2) **NO DOGS are allowed at any complex or field used by the Jefferson Cup.** This includes all common areas and parking lots. If dogs are seen on the premises owners will be asked to leave the complex immediately and if dog is present near or around any field the game will be halted until the dog is removed to the parking area, but must be removed permanently from the complex as well.
Properly marked and leashed service dogs are permitted at the complex but are not allowed within 15 yards of any field.
- (3) **Alcoholic Beverages & Smoking are Prohibited.**

A. **Tournament Headquarters:**

Tournament Headquarters will be located at Striker Park; 4801 Pouncey Tract Rd., Glen Allen, VA 23059; Tournament Director: Steve D'Adamo; 804-288-4625

B. **Registration:**

Team Check-in for the 2019 Jefferson Cup will be via online check-in only.

Registration Requirements

US Teams:

- Original 2018/2019 Player Passes; either USYS State Association or US Club Soccer passes
- Original 2018/2019 Official Roster; either USYS State Association or US Club Soccer
- Two Copies of Official Roster
- Guest Players identified: Written on front or back of COPIES of Rosters
- Player Passes for Guest Player
- Individual Player Medical Release Forms
- Permission to Travel Paper Work: Not Required for US Club Soccer Teams. USYS State Association teams from Region I do not need Permission to Travel Paper Work. USYS State Association teams from all other Regions need Permission to Travel Paper Work.

The Jefferson Cup is Dual Sanctioned for 2019

For US Club Soccer teams the tournament is sanctioned by US Club Soccer under the Open Cup format and a USYSA Sanctioned Tournament. This allows competitive teams from both US Club Soccer and any other USSF affiliated members (state associations, etc) to compete in this event. The US Club Soccer teams DO NOT have to have a US Youth Soccer Application to Travel Form, but must bring their proper roster, plus 2 copies for the tournament and player pass cards.

For USYSA Registered Teams: Teams must have the proper USYSA state rosters, plus two copies for the tournament, permission to travel forms, player pass cards and medical release forms for each player at registration.

Teams that are members of organizations of the United States Soccer Federation but not members of US Youth Soccer (such as AYSO, SAY, US Club Soccer or Super Y Leagues) DO NOT have to have a US Youth Soccer Application to Travel form (although that team's organization may require that the

team have permission). An approved team roster does need to be provided to tournament officials, along with current player passes from its organization.

Note for Region I teams:

Region 1 Policy Regarding Application To Host A Tournament

Region I has established the following policy concerning permission to travel when attending USYS sanctioned tournaments in Region I. The purpose of this policy is to make it as simple as possible for the US Youth Soccer Region I teams to travel to tournaments within Region I.

The new policy states that any USYS State Association teams within Region I that is accepted into a tournament in Region I do not need permission to travel papers.

C. **Roster Sizes:**

- 2009 (U10) 7v7 teams are limited to 14 players identified at Registration.
- 2008-2007 (U11 to U12) 9v9 teams are limited to 18 players identified at Registration
- 2000/01-2006 (U13 to U18/U19) Teams can have 26 players on their rosters turned in at Registration; however, teams must identify 18 players before each game with the referees. Only 18 players in each game are allowed to play.

Five guest players per team will be permitted for all age groups. US Club Soccer teams may only take guest players registered under US Club Soccer, and USYSA teams may only take guest players registered with properly stamped USYSA player pass cards.

Players can only play for 1 team throughout the tournament.

D. **Ball Size:**

Size 5 2000/01-2006 (U19 - U13)

Size 4 2007-2009 (U12 - U10)

E. **Game Duration:** (Same for both Boys and Girls Weekend)

80 min, 2000/01-2002 (U17, U18, U19)

Halftime - 5 min

80 min, 2003-2004 (U15, U16)

Halftime - 5 min

70 min. 2005-2006 (U14, U13)

Halftime - 5 min

60 min. 2007-2008 (U11, U12) (9v9)

Halftime - 5 min

60 min. 2009 (U10) (7v7)

Halftime - 5 min

F. **Substitutions:**

Substitutions shall be unlimited, but made only at the following times:

Teams playing in Tournament Format competition:

- a) Goal kick, after a goal, half time, at the beginning of an overtime period, throw in – by the team in possession and by the team not in possession (only if the team in possession has a substitute), after a yellow card – for carded player.
- b) An injured player may be substituted for at the discretion of the referee. If a substitution is made for the injured player, the opposing team may also make one substitution (with the referee's acknowledgement).

Teams playing in Showcase Format competition:

- a) Free substitution will be allowed in all age groups. However, teams may substitute only with the referee's permission and only at the following times: throw-ins, Goal kick, after a goal, half time, at the beginning of an overtime period, on a caution (only the cautioned player)
- b) For 2000/01-2003 (U16-U19) age groups: As a college showcase event, players ejected can be substituted, thus allowing teams to play at full strength. Two yellow cards constitute a red card and ejection, however offending player can be substituted also.

Under no circumstances may substitutions be made (1) on corner kicks or (2) after the game has ended in a tie and FIFA penalty kicks will be required to determine a winner

All substitutes shall inform the assistant referee on their side of the field that they wish to enter the game prior to the time they are entitled to enter the game as a substitute. The assistant referee will signal the referee that substitutes wish to enter the game at the first opportunity that the substitute is allowed to enter the game. The substitutes must wait until the referee signals that it is okay for them to enter the field.

G. Home Team:

Team listed first is the designated Home Team and must change jerseys when the referee determines a conflict to exist.

H. Forfeits:

Teams not at the field ready to play with a minimum of 7 eligible players at the scheduled game time will forfeit the match at the discretion of the tournament director. Forfeited scores will be counted 3 – 0. Teams forfeiting games will not be able to advance to the playoff rounds.

I. 7/9-a-side:

2009-2007 (U10, U11, U12) Three referee system. Offsides will be called.

J. Heading Rule at Age Group Divisions U11 & Younger:

Whenever the ball strikes a player in the head, play is stopped. The proper restart depends upon whether the player deliberately played the ball with his or her head. If deliberate, the proper restart is an indirect free kick to the opposing team. If this occurs within the goal area, the indirect free kick should be taken on the goal area line parallel to the goal line at the point nearest to where the infringement occurred. If the play by the head is deemed in advertent, then the proper restart is a dropped ball.

K. Build Out Lines at Agee Group Divisions U10 & Younger:

Build out lines will be established for U10 age groups and younger. Build out lines promote playing the ball out of the back in a less pressured setting. When the goalkeeper has the ball, either during play (from the opponent) or from a goal kick, the opposing team must move behind the build out line until the ball is put into play. Once the opposing team is behind the build out line, the goalkeeper can pass, throw or roll the ball into play (punting is not allowed). After the ball is put into play by the goalkeeper, the opposing team can cross the build out line and play resumes as normal. The ball is considered "in play" when the goalkeeper's intended recipient has received the ball. Not the moment that the goalkeeper releases the ball.

If a goalkeeper punts the ball, an indirect free kick is awarded to the opposing team from the spot of offense. If the punt occurs within the goal area, the indirect free kick should be taken on the goal area line parallel to the goal line at the nearest point to where the infringement occurred.

The build out line will also be used to denote where the offside offenses can be called. Players cannot be penalized for an offside offense between the halfway line and the build out line. Players can be penalized for an offside offense between the build out line and the goal line.

L. **Inclement Weather:**

The Tournament Rules Committee reserves the right to make the following changes in the event of inclement weather:

- Relocate and/or reschedule a match.
- Change a division structure.
- Reduce scheduled duration of a match.
- Cancel a match.

In the event of inclement weather forcing play to be halted and preventing the match from completing during the scheduled time, the score shall stand if at least one-half of the match has been completed. **The tournament director will have the final decision on field closure.**

M. **Player's Equipment:**

All players must wear shinguards. No metal-rimmed glasses or jewelry of any kind will be allowed. Casts, splints or body braces made of a hard substance in its final form such as leather, rubber, plastic, plaster or fiberglass must be covered on all exterior surfaces with no less than ½ inch thick, high density polyurethane, or an alternate material of the same thickness and similar physical properties to protect the injury. **A medical release for the injured player signed by a licensed physician must be available at the game site. Players may not play with these casts without the approval of the Referee.**

N. **Rules for Advancement:**

Teams will be awarded points on the following basis:

- Six (6) points for each Win
- Three (3) points for each Tie
- Zero (0) points for each Loss
- One (1) point for each goal scored up to a max of three (3) per game. Losing teams receive points also.
- One (1) point for each shutout
- Examples:
 - A 0-0 tie will be scored as 4 points for each team (3 for tie, 1 for shutout)
 - A 4-2 game will be scored as 9 points for the winning team (6 for win, 3 for goals) and 2 points to the losing team (2 for goals).

In the event of a tie in points at the end of bracket play; the winner for advancement to Semi-Final or Finals will be determined as follows:

- The winner in head to head competition. (If there is a 3 team tie, proceed to the next tie breaker)
- Goal differential, max of +/-3 per game (Team wins 4-0, only gets +3 GD, losing team gets -3)
- Goals For (max 5 goals per game)

- Goals Against (max 5 goals per game)
- Shoot-Outs*

When the tiebreaker system is used, the criteria are followed from 1 through 4 until one team is eliminated and then the criteria starts over again at Rule #1. Rules are repeated until one team remains.

***All Shoot-Outs for 1st in Divisional play will be at 7:30am Sunday morning or time determined by the tournament director and at a field location determined by the tournament director. Ties between 2nd and 3rd in division play leading to both teams playing consolation games will be decided by the above criteria; except for #5 Shoot-Outs. These ties will be decided by the discretion of the Tournament Director.**

O. Resolving Ties in Semi-Final and Final Match:

If the semi-final or finals match are tied at the end of regulation time, the teams will be given a five minute rest. The following will decide the match:

Overtime will be 2 - five minute periods with substitutions allowed. Overtime will not be sudden death. Overtime is played 11v11 (minus any send-offs)

If teams remain even at the end of overtime the game will be decided by the FIFA, Kicks from the Penalty Spot Procedure as outlined in the Laws of the Game; using only the players remaining on the field at the end of overtime.

P. Protest:

There will be no protests. All officiating decisions are final.

Q. Sideline Behavior:

Both teams will sit on the same side of the field. Only coaches and trainers may stay on the player's sideline. Spectators are only allowed on the opposite side of the field from the coaches and players and are limited to being in the designated area from penalty box to penalty box. No spectators are allowed behind the goal areas. **Harassment of the officials from coaches, spectators or players will not be tolerated.**

R. Send-offs:

2009- 2004 (U10-U15):

- If a player receives a red card or two yellow cards during a match, that player will sit out the rest of that match and also their next match. Players serving Red card suspensions are allowed to sit on the bench during their team's next game but are not allowed to be in uniform.

2000/01-2003 (U16-U19):

- If a player is ejected from a match (red card by the referee) that player must sit out the remainder of that match.
- In addition, the player must sit-out his/her team's next tournament match. However as this is a showcase event, appeals for sitting out the next match are allowed at the discretion of the tournament director in coordination with the tournaments referee coordinator. Ejections for

violent behavior, fighting, referee abuse are in no way appealable. Only the tournament director can make these decisions.

- As a college showcase event, players ejected can be substituted, thus allowing teams to play at full strength.
- Two yellow cards constitute a red card and ejection; however offending player can also be substituted.

Coaches (Any Age Group)

- A coach or other authorized bench personnel sent off during a match must leave the field immediately upon being sent off and must remain away from the field during the team's next match.

S. **NO alcoholic beverages** are allowed in the park or the parking lot of any of the game sites. Your team will be subject to forfeiting 1 game. Smoking or use of tobacco products on or near playing fields is prohibited at all times.

T. **Outdoor Grilling** is prohibited at all tournament venues.

U. **NO dogs are allowed** at any of parks or field complexes used for the Jefferson Cup. Only service animals are allowed at the facility.

V. **NO HiPods** are allowed at ANY Complex.

W. **Game Balls:** All game balls will be provided by tournament. Only balls provided by the tournament can be used.

***The tournament will be played in accordance with FIFA Laws of the Game except as modified by these rules above.**

X. Tournament Cancellation:

If the tournament is cancelled for any reason before the tournament begins and before any matches are played, teams are guaranteed a refund of an amount to be determined by the Executive Committee of the Richmond Strikers once all invoices are paid and final budgets are approved.

Y. Team Withdrawal:

All Entry Fees must be postmarked by December 1, 2018 to guarantee consideration. All late applications will be put on a wait list for review. Upon acceptance, the fee is non-refundable. If your team is accepted and later withdraws, the entry fee is non-refundable and sanctions will be placed against your team/club for future participation in Richmond Striker events.

Z. Hotel Services:

To insure the quality of service provided at the 2019 Jefferson Cup, the Richmond Strikers Soccer Club has appointed Anthony Travel as our official Hospitality Service of the tournament. All teams are mandated to book any hotel reservations through Anthony Travel to insure their place in the 2019 Jefferson Cup. Any teams that do not comply will be at risk of forfeiting their acceptance.

Local Richmond teams or teams "commuting" to Richmond for the weekend do not have to stay in hotels but must contact either Anthony Sports or the tournament director indicating their intentions to do so. "Commuting" Teams is defined as a 100-mile distance between the club's mailing address to the Tournament Headquarters.

Please email soccertravel@anthonytravel.com to Anthony Travel sports travel expert or call (800) 736-6377

By using Anthony Travel as our booking service the Richmond Strikers and the Jefferson Cup can offer our "Act of God" Clause. This states "Should this event be cancelled for reasons beyond the Event Organizer's control (including weather), all outstanding reservations will be released at no charge to the participants."