



Calgary Minor Soccer

League Structure Changes
2020 & 2021



Summary of Changes

- Set play dates - Two per group
- One full season schedule
- No pre-season - Evidence based league alignment
- Summer break - June 29th to August 28th
- No tiers for U9 to U10 - Developmental & Recreational
- U9/10 and U11/12 floating rosters - Across age groups
- Periodized league calendar to follow LTPD
- Removal of Provincial qualification from league play
- Provincial qualification tournament - Calgary Teams ONLY
- CUFC practice location - New costs
- CMSA Fall Cup - U13 to U17 Tiers 1 to 4



Implementation 2020

OUTDOOR 2020

- Set play dates for all age groups - Two days per week per group
- A full schedule for the whole season - All age groups
- No pre-season games - Evidence-based league alignment
- Summer break - U9 to U12 groups only
- No tiers for U9 to U10 - Developmental & Recreational
- U9/10 floating rosters - Across age groups and levels
- Periodized league structure in alignment with Long Term Player Development (LTPD)
- New charges for practice fields - All CUFC
- CUFC practice location - New costs
- CMSA Fall Cup - U13 to U17 Tiers 1 to 4



Implementation 2021

OUTDOOR 2021

- Summer break - All age groups
- Possibly no tiers for U11 and U12 - Developmental & Recreational
- U11 and U12 floating rosters - Based on 2020 success of U9 and U10 groups
- Periodized league structure in alignment with Long Term Player Development (LTPD)
- Removal of Provincial qualification from league play for U13 to U17
- Provincial qualification tournament for U13 to U17 groups (Calgary teams only - Tiers 1-4)
- CUFC will continue to declare separately - CUFC is in Canal Links District, not Calgary



Set Play Dates

- All age groups will be assigned two game days per week
- One game on a weekday and one game on a weekend
- One to two games per week - Based on age and tier



Play Dates

U9 and U10

- **Developmental** - Saturdays and/or Tuesdays
- **Recreational** - Sundays and/or Wednesdays

U11

- **Tier 3** - Sundays and/or Thursdays
- **Tier 4** - Saturdays and/or Tuesdays
- **Tier 5** - Sundays and/or Thursdays

U12

- **Tier 3** - Saturdays and/or Mondays
- **Tier 4** - Sundays and/or Thursdays
- **Tier 5** - Saturdays and/or Mondays

U13 to U17

- **All tiers** - Set play dates to be confirmed



Season Schedule

- No Pre-season exhibition games - All age groups
- One full schedule from start to end of season
- Summer break U9 to U12 - All levels
- Earlier finish for U13 to U17 - Tiers 4 and 5
- Periodized League Structure
- Align with Long Term Player Development (LTPD)



2020 Season

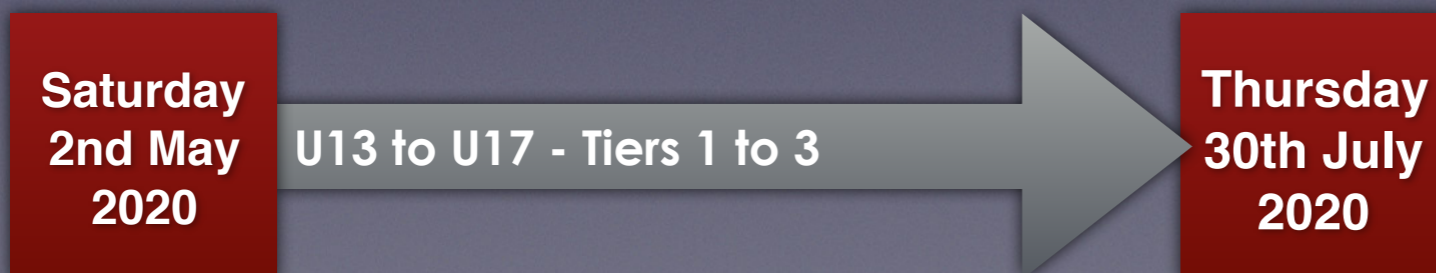
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2021 Season

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Schedule

League Alignment

- All levels and age groups - No Pre-season
- Two consecutive season standings to be reviewed by CMSA
- Teams placed in age groups and levels, in order to be competitive
- Clubs provided with the league alignment at the end of each season
- Clubs to provide feedback and recommendations for the following season



Schedule

Promotion and Relegation

- U13 to U17 - All tiers
- Number of teams per tier to be capped by CMSA
- Tier cap based on number of teams and field availability
- CMSA to review historical data from two consecutive seasons

Promotion:

- Teams that attain a points percentage of 85% or higher, in two consecutive seasons, will be considered for Promotion
- If teams can prove that 50% or more of their team's players have changed - No Promotion
- Teams may **NOT** be promoted if the tier cap is already at maximum

Relegation:

- Teams that attain a points percentage of 25% or lower, in two consecutive seasons, will be considered for Relegation
- If relegating the team results in the number of teams dropping below a level that would NOT allow the tier to operate - **No** Relegation



Summer Break

- U9 to U12 all levels - Outdoor 2020
- U13 to U17 all tiers - Outdoor 2021
- Season starts May 2nd 2020 - All age groups and levels
- U9 to U12 Summer Break - June 29th to August 28th 2020
- U9 to U12 League will continue on August 29th to September 27th 2020
- No summer break for U13 to U17 for 2020
- U9 to U12 teams will practice through the summer break
- U13 to U17 teams optional summer practices - Fall Cup teams only



U9 and U10

Levels

- Developmental and Recreational levels - U9 and U10
- Future possibility of Developmental and Recreational levels - U11 teams
- Developmental - Historically Tiers A and B
- Recreational - Historically Tiers C and D
- No scores or standings to be kept - U9 and U10
- Future possibility of no scores or standings - U11 and U12 teams



U9 and U10

Rosters

- No fixed rosters - Age group or level
- Floating rosters - Players can move between age groups and levels
- Players can move across the age groups - U9 to U10 and U10 to U9
- Players can move across the levels - Dev. to Rec. and Rec. to Dev.
- Movement can take place on a game-by-game basis
- Club and coaches will determine any and all roster
- Future possibility of floating rosters - U11 and U12 teams
- CUFC will undertake Player Assessments for **ALL** U9 to U12 players
- U13 to U19 Player Assessments - If more than one team per group



Periodization

- Long Term Player Development (LTPD) - Canada Soccer Association (CSA)
- Periodized breaks for players throughout the calendar year
- Breaks between indoor and outdoor seasons
- Mid-March to end April - Off-season
- May to end September - Outdoor Season
- July to end August - Mid-season break
- October - Off-season
- November to mid-March - Indoor Season



Provincial Competition

Alberta Soccer Association (ASA)

- No Provincial Competition for U9 to U12
- Provincial Competition for U13 to U17 - Tiers 1 to 4 (No Provincials for Tier 5)
- U13 to U17 Provincial qualification not by league standings - 2021
- Provincial qualification tournament format - 2021 (Calgary-based teams)
- CUFC will still declare separately for Provincial Competition via our District
- CUFC declaration based on team competitiveness
- Final declaration decision made by the CUFC Technical Director



CUFC Practices

- Rocky View Schools (RVS) - Implementing an hourly charge per individual field at Chestermere High School (CHS)
- CUFC has never been charged outdoor practice space fees
- Resulting charge approximately \$10,000.00
- Poor field condition at CHS and lack of maintenance by RVS
- CUFC teams moving to Prairie Waters and St. Gabriel school fields - Outdoor 2020
- Field rentals fees lower through the City of Chestermere
- U9 to U12 teams will practice through the summer break - One session per week
- Requests for additional practices based on availability - Additional fees required
- CUFC teams may fundraise to pay for additional practice space.



CMSA Fall Cup

- U13 to U17 - All ages and Tiers 1 to 4
- Optional game series - 29th August to 27th September 2020
- CUFC will encourage all teams to enter the Fall Cup - Preparation for Outdoor 2021
- Additional team entry fees required - Paid by teams entering
- Additional practice field rentals required - Paid by teams entering
- Team entry to be authorized by the CUFC Technical Director
- Practice space to be authorized and booked by CUFC
- Team entry based on player and coach availability
- CUFC teams may fundraise to pay for Fall Cup entry.



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