

Overview 2025

GLSL FESTIVAL (U8, U10, U12)

GLSL CUP (U14, U18)

Player Eligibility: All-star teams or teams formed specifically for the Cup competition are not permitted. Players from the EOSL or OCSL league teams are not eligible to play in any GLSL Festival or Cup game. All players must play for the team they were registered for during the regular GLSL season; the GLSL may allow a club to “merge” two teams if neither one has sufficient players to field a team for the Festival/Cup.

Number of Games: all teams will have a minimum of 3 games, depending on the number of teams in their division, please check your schedule using the “My Team” feature on the www.gls.ca website to ensure you see all your team’s games.

Length of Games U8-U12: all games will be 30 minutes, teams to switch ends mid game – no half time break, quickly switch keepers and ends -- if the weather is really hot a 2-minute water break can be added mid game. Referees and officials to quickly discuss water breaks before the game starts.

NEW IN 2025 Length of Games U14 -U18: two 25-minute halves, 5 minutes half time break. (Total 50 min. playing time per game).

Game Time/warm-up: All games to start at scheduled time, no warm-up on playing fields.

Scores: not kept for U8-U12, no “finals”.

For U14 and U18 only: round-robin games may end in a tie. Those marked as “final” require a winner. Tie breaker rules, if required to determine who proceeds to “Round 2” (U14B, G and U18B) and “finals” (all U14 and U18) and how to determine winners of the “Finals” will be posted at the admin trailer.

Rules: Other than length of game, rules are unchanged from the regular season for U8-U12. For U14 and U18, there is no retry on throw-ins in the Cup competition, all other rules are unchanged, other than length of game. Other information specific to the Festival/Cup will be posted on the GLSL website prior to the start of the Festival/Cup.

Canteen: there will be a canteen, located near the splash pad. The canteen will have items such as coffee, muffins, donuts, hotdogs, candy, granola bars, water, soft drinks. This canteen is cash only, **please bring change** as items will be priced reasonably from 50 cents to a few dollars.

Beckwith Township Splashpad and playground: will be open during the festival, however, this area is not part of the festival/cup and is not insured by Ontario Soccer – players use at their own risk, parental supervision is expected.

Important information for Coaches:

1. Coaches must check in at the admin trailer a minimum of 15 minutes prior to their first game.
2. Festival keepsakes for U8-U12 will be given to the team coach for the team at a second check in – before their last game.
3. Medals for U14 and U18 will be presented to Season Winners, Cup Champs and Cup Runners-up.
4. Coaches must print and bring a game sheet to each festival game and hand to the referee before the start of each game. Game sheets must list all players and team officials. If you forget or lose a game sheet, you will need to make one before the start of the game – blank paper available at the admin trailer.
5. The referee or League designate will hand in the game sheets to the admin trailer following games.
6. Any “special incidents” must be reported in writing to the admin trailer immediately following the game.
7. Team officials and referees only to address any “issues” that may arise with the League at the admin trailer – officials activated on the GLSL website will be recognised, all others are asked to speak with their coach.