

## LOWER ISLAND SOCCER ASSOCIATION

# LISA Cup Play 101 2022-23

For the 2022-2023 Season LISA will revert back to the standard “Cup Play” structure seen prior to the previous two COVID-19 shortened seasons. This model will see the return of a stand-alone “B” Cup qualification process for Tier 3 teams, a LISA District Cup competition, and the return of an “Island Cup”/Island Invitation tournament.

### Cup Declaration Dates

- On or before **December 31<sup>th</sup>** all Tier 3 teams will declare for Provincial “A” or Provincial “B” Cup qualification
- All “B” Cup declared teams will participate in the LISA “B” Cup Playdowns
- All “A” Cup declared teams will participate in the UISA/LISA Tier 2 Spring season and be removed from all Tier 3 Cup Competition (District Cup, Island Cup)
- Cup declarations are to be submitted by the **Member Club** in consultation with the individual team using the provided “Provincial Cup Declaration Form”
  - Once a team declares for a Provincial “A” or Provincial “B” Cup they are committed to attending the BCSA Provincial Finals should that team qualify
  - Teams/Clubs will face financial sanctions and potential loss of eligibility in future BCSA Provincial Finals should a qualified team not attend the BCSA Provincial Finals
- **\*Teams and players that qualify for Provincial “B” Cup are ineligible to participate in Tier 2 Spring competitive programming\***
  - Team Declarations do not affect a player’s eligibility. Only teams that have declared and earned a BCSA Provincial Cup Berth will be tied to that competition level.

### Competitive Roster Freeze:

- All Competitive Roster are to be submitted to the District on or before January 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Any Roster change following the January 15<sup>th</sup> “Roster Freeze” must be approved by the District and submitted via a BCSA “Youth Application to Transfer” Form
  - All transfers must be completed 7 days prior to a Cup match and all players must compete in one league match prior to being eligible to participate in a Cup match

### LISA “B” Cup Playdowns

- Partially seeded Cup Draw at stand-alone age groups U14, U15, U16, U17, and U18 to determine the LISA “B” Cup Representative
  - Top 2 teams in LISA League play at time of Cup Draw will be seeded randomly in opposite sides of the draw. Seeding does not guarantee home field advantage.
  - “B” Cup draw to take place during the first week of January

- LISA “B” Cup Representative to play off against UISA Representative for spot at BCSA “B” Cup Provincials

**Dates:**

- LISA “B” Cup Quarter Finals – January 21st/22nd
- LISA “B” Cup Semi Finals – January 28th/29th
- LISA “B” Cup Finals – February 4th/5<sup>th</sup>
- Island “B” Cup Finals (vs. UISA) – February 18th/19<sup>th</sup>

**BCSA Provincial “B” Cup Hosts and Dates:**

- Les Sinnott Memorial Boys Provincial Cup (B Cup)  
Host: Langley United Soccer Association  
Location: Langley, BC  
Dates: TBD
- Girls Provincial B Cup  
Host: Kamloops YSA  
Location: Kamloops, BC  
Dates: TBD

**LISA District Cup**

- All teams will participate in LISA District Cup except for the LISA “B” Cup representative, any “A” Cup declared teams, and the Tier 3 League Winner which has qualified for “Island Cup”
- The District Cup will be played at U14, U15, U16, U17/18 Tier 3 and Tier 4 divisions
  - Where League Divisions are split by “Pools” all teams will compete with the District Cup based on age division, regardless of which “Pool” they are in
- Tier 4 League winners will be “promoted” to Tier 3 District Cup
- Once a team has been eliminated from Cup Play their competitive season is officially finished. However, LISA will continue scheduling exhibition matches for teams until the March 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> weekend.

**Dates:**

- District Cup Quarter Finals – February 18th/19<sup>th</sup>
- District Cup Semi Finals – February 25th/26<sup>th</sup>
- LISA District Cup Finals – Hosted by JDF – March 11th/12<sup>th</sup>

**Island Cup**

- The Island Cup is a Tier 3 competition in conjunction with UISA

**Format:**

- Two teams each from UISA and LISA will compete in playdowns across the U14 – U18 age groups
  - Dates will be determined by the Regional Organizing Committee
- Teams will compete in a four team playdown with the two winning teams meeting in the Island Cup Finals.
- Semi-Final matchups will be LISA vs. LISA and UISA vs. UISA
- Each district shall be responsible for determining which teams shall represent them at the Island Cup.
  - LISA’s first representatives will be the Tier 3 League Winner (or highest finishing “Pool “A” age group team)
  - LISA’s second representative will be the LISA “B” Cup Representative
  - In the event that the “B” Cup Representative is the same team as the Tier 3 League winner the second representative will be awarded to the LISA “B” Cup Runner-Up
- UISA & LISA will each be responsible for selecting a host location for the age groups they are responsible for. Hosting will be split by age groups with LISA hosting U14 / U16 / U18 and UISA hosting U15 & U17

**Dates:**

LISA vs. LISA Semi-Final (hosted by League winner): **February 25/26**

Island Cup Final: **March 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>**

LISA and UISA have withdrawn from BCSA “Coastal Cup Competition”, the Lower Mainland’s BCSA “A” and “B” Cup qualification tournament.

**Tier 2 – Provincial “A” Cup**

Following the completion of the “Island Cup” and March Break in the respective districts, LISA and UISA will engage in a Tier 2 Inter-District competition.

Team Formation and League Play:

- LISA’s team formation will be based off of the “Regional Model” with District Assessments to take place
  - LISA will look to create one (1) to two (2) balanced teams at each age group where possible
  - Teams will be selected based on a “Regional” model with input from Club Technical Leads and existing Tier 2 Fall Academies
  - Tier 3 Club teams may declare for Provincial “A” Cup prior to the December 31<sup>st</sup> deadline and participate in Spring Tier 2
    - Clubs teams must ensure a minimum roster of 14 players to participate in Tier 2
  - Tier 2 assessments will be open to all Tier 3 players, or with TD recommendation
    - Tentative Assessment windows:
      - Rd #1 – February 27- March 3

- Rd #2 – March 13 – March 17
- Rd #3 – April 3- April 6<sup>th</sup> (If Necessary)
- Tier 2 League Play to Begin April 22<sup>nd</sup>/23<sup>rd</sup>

**“A” Cup Playdown Format:**

- Teams will compete in an Inter-District league play with a playdown format to determine an Island Provincial “A” Cup representative
  - “League” divisions to compete in U14,U16, and U18 banded age groups
  - “A” Cup playdowns will be competed at all age groups within which teams have declared, this includes U15 and U17
- “A” cup playdowns tentatively scheduled the weekend of June 10<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup> and June 17<sup>th</sup>/18<sup>th</sup>
- Teams will be encouraged to participate in BCSA approved tournaments (May Long Weekend)

**Provincial “A” Cup Hosts and Dates:**

Provincial A Cup

Host: Coastal FC

Location: South Surrey Athletic Park

Dates: TBD