



Portland Timbers Corporate Cup 2011

Frequently Asked Questions

March 2011

Note: This is an online document and will be updated frequently based any questions that surface. If you have a question that is not included below, please email info@timberscorporategcup.com. We'll answer your question and then add it to this document so that everyone can have the answer.

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Corporate Qualifications:

Q. Are we qualified to enter our corporation/company?

- A.** There are some specific criteria for entering your business into the Cup. You do not have to be an incorporated company in order to participate, but you must fulfill one of the following criteria:
- Publicly traded company
 - Privately-held company with Pacific NW business or sports ties
 - Portland Timbers or Portland YouthBuilders Corporate Partner

If you don't fit into these categories, please email info@timberscorporategcup.com. The tournament organizers will review exception requests on a case-by-case basis.

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Fundraising:

Q. What if we have questions about fundraising for our \$2500 entry fee?

- A.** We are glad to help you brainstorm fundraising ideas! Your company may have charitable matching for non-profit organizations - many match dollar donations at 50%. If this is the case at your company, then you'll just need to raise \$1250, which amounts to \$62.50/person for a 20-person roster. We recommend having the team players fundraise themselves – this really helps connect them to the event and the charitable purpose for it. If they each find 4 people who would donate \$20/each to cover the cost for them to play (assuming you have corporate matching), then you've got it covered.



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Q. When is our entry fee due?

A. A non-refundable \$500.00 deposit is due at the time of registration (May 31st deadline), with the \$2,000.00 balance due by July 1st, 2010.

Q. Is Portland YouthBuilders a non-profit?

A. Yes. Portland YouthBuilders is a registered 501 (c)(3) organization and a part of a network of 250 YouthBuild programs nationwide.

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Logistics:

Q. Who is administering the tournament – do we need player cards?

A. The Oregon Soccer Association is sanctioning the tournament.

Q. Is it expected that players will be required to have player cards for the tourney?

A. Yes. Player cards will be used to track rostered players and yellow/red cards. Player must be registered with their state association (e.g., Oregon Soccer Association, Washington State Adult Soccer Association, etc). Oregon Soccer Association will also issue tournament-specific player cards for a modest fee for those who do not have active cards for state league play. More information on obtaining your cards will be communicated closer to the event.

Q. Are shinguards required to play?

A. Yes. In both the men's and co-ed brackets.

Q. Is there any chance you'll be able to keep track of potential primary jersey colors and alert us to potential conflicts? Do we need away jerseys?

A. Yes. We will track kit colors (you will provide info on your jersey color in the registration process). We will supply pinnies in the event of color conflicts if you don't want to purchase an away kit. We are also arranging a team jersey discount with a local soccer retailer. Information will be communicated after registration closes in June.



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Q. Do we need jersey numbers?

A. Yes. Numbers are required for your jerseys. We encourage you to show your company spirit can wear jerseys that represent your corporate colors or branding! Think about the photo opportunities!!

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Team & Team Members:

Q. Who is eligible to play on our team?

A. Team members must be 18 or older and current employees of your company, either full-time, vendor or contractor. Significant others of employees are not eligible to play. An honor system is in place, but the Cup organizers may do periodic checks or inquires as necessary or if questions arise. Play fair, follow the rules and have fun!

Q. Can players on our men's team also play on our co-ed team?

A. No. Unfortunately the schedule won't work in your favor. Both brackets will play simultaneously on July 8th – 10th. You should roster 20 for your men's team and a different set of 20 players for your co-ed team should you decide to go that route.

Q. By what date do our rostered players technically have to be employees of our company?

A. Team managers will have to submit photos of each player and their final rosters by Thursday, June 30th. For this reason, the requirement for employee start dates is that same date – June 30th, 2011.

Q. Do we have to be a Portland-based company?

A. No. Corporations from all around the Pacific Northwest (from Vancouver, BC to Seattle, WA to Western WA) have been invited to play in the tournament.

Q. Is there a discount hotel for traveling teams?

A. Yes. We are working with several local Portland Timbers hotel partners to provide corporate discounts on hotel rooms. Location will be in downtown Portland.

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Q. Which bracket should we enter?

A. The men's bracket is the more serious of the two. The co-ed competition is expected to be good, but 11 v 11 men's teams likely will have played together in league play and practiced quite a bit.

Q. How many teams are you expecting in each bracket?

A. We have the field space and capacity to host eight men's teams and eight co-ed teams.

Q. How many matches will each team play?

A. In both brackets each team will play a minimum of three matches. If teams advance through to the final match at JELD WEN FIELD they'll play four matches total.

Q. How long is each match?

A. Both men's and co-ed qualifying round matches will be a sixty minutes (30 minute halves). The finals to be played on July 30th will be a full ninety minutes (45 minute halves).

Q. What are the tournament rules of play?

A. The rules vary by the bracket:

Men's Bracket will play using full FIFA rules, including slide tackling, offsides, no passing back to the keeper's hands, etc. The one exception is that you are allowed unlimited player substitutions.

Co-Ed Bracket will play with modified tournament rules. The complete rules will be published prior to the tournament, but will include: no slide-tackling, unlimited substitutions, and five women must be on the pitch at all times.

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