

# Long Island Women's Soccer League, Inc.

Rules and Bylaws



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# Charter

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## Chapter 1

1. This organization shall be known as the Long Island Women's Soccer League Inc. (LIWSL).
2. The official headquarters of the LIWSL shall be located on Long Island and all General Meetings and Annual Meetings shall be held there.
3. The LIWSL shall be a member of US Club Soccer and at all times, play under the rules and regulations of that body.
4. The colors of the LIWSL are blue, orange, and white.
5. The purpose of the LIWSL is:

To foster the growth of women's soccer on Long Island. The LIWSL encourages an atmosphere of friendship and camaraderie for young women who hold a common interest in the sport of soccer. Team participation allows players of diverse age groups to gather on the field, as well as, encourages them to build lasting relationships off the field.



# Administration

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## Chapter 2

### *1. Conduct of Activities:*

The conduct of all activities is supervised by the Board of Directors (the Board).

### *2. Board of Directors:*

#### a. Elected Members:

- i. President
- ii. First Vice President
- iii. Second Vice President
- iv. General Secretary
- v. Treasurer
- vi. Registrar
- vii. Three Trustees
- viii. Past President
- ix. Life Members

#### b. Appointed Members

- i. Scheduling Secretary
- ii. Referee coordinator
- iii. Awards Coordinator

### *3. Responsibilities:*

- a. A two-thirds majority vote of elected board members is required to define and enforce executive decisions.
- b. The Board has the right to suspend any member of the board whose actions are detrimental to the interests of the LIWSL. A suspended member may demand a hearing of his/her case before a special meeting of the league within four weeks after his/her suspension becomes effective.
- c. Officers missing two successive meetings (i.e. Board, general and/or special meetings) without notice and/or sufficient reason will be suspended. He/she shall be notified within three days of the suspension, giving a hearing at the next board meeting if requested, and if the suspension stands, the position will be filled by vote of the Board and team representatives in good standing as soon as possible.

- d. The conduct of officers of the LIWSL shall be as ladies/gentlemen while conducting their official duties and during any other involvement with soccer, including coaching and playing. The Board of Directors shall research, review and act upon all charges of misconduct against any of its members.
- e. The Board of Directors may order any and/or all other scheduled games postponed on days when a representative, or play-off, (i.e., Cup game) is scheduled.
- f. The Board of Directors has the power to make decisions on matters which are not covered by these By-Laws. Any such decision must be reviewed and approved by a majority vote at the next General Meeting of the League.

#### *4. Duties:*

##### a. Elected Officers

- i. The President shall preside at all meetings and shall be an ex officio member of all committees. He/she shall have the power to take such emergency steps as necessary when the interests of the League appear endangered. He/she shall be the general representative of the league in all matters. In his/her absence, the First Vice President shall succeed to the powers of the President. He/she shall cast the deciding vote in case of a tie vote at the General Meeting only.
- ii. The First Vice President shall have the responsibilities of organization of all League, Cup, Tournament and exhibition games and any duties assigned by the President and confirmed by the Board.
- iii. The Second Vice President shall have the responsibilities of publicity and promotion of the League, all social functions and any duties assigned by the President and confirmed by the Board.
- iv. The General Secretary shall attend to all correspondence, other than matters pertaining to game scheduling and promotional work. He/she shall record the minutes of all meetings. These minutes shall be presented for approval the following meeting and if accepted shall be signed by the presiding officer. He/she shall mail copies of minutes of the General Meeting to all club secretaries.
- v. The League Treasurer shall be bonded at the expense of the League, and shall have charge of league finances. He/she shall present a detailed report of the financial standing at each of the General meetings. He/she shall submit a fill written financial report of the season at the Annual Meeting. All league committee disbursements purchased by the President and paid through the treasury of the league shall be approved by the particular committee chairperson.



- vi. The Registrar shall be in full charge of all player registration, under the jurisdiction of the US Club Soccer registration chairperson.
- vii. The Trustees shall attend to such duties, to be assigned by the President, as the need arises.

b. Appointed Members

- i. The Scheduling Secretary shall arrange all the scheduling of games, set kick-off times, and have the standings of all divisions available for publication weekly. The teams shall be notified of schedules two weeks in advance of play date if possible.
- ii. The Referee Coordinator shall arrange for the officiating of all matches, including league tournaments and cup matches. He/she will also be responsible for compiling all referee game reports and tracking all yellow and red card offenses. The Referee Coordinator will report all such offenses to the Board as necessary.
- iii. The Awards Coordinator shall be responsible for obtaining league awards for all league events, including but not limited to seasonal championships, cup championships and tournaments. All awards are subject to approval by the appropriate chairperson for each event.

*5. Official Resignations:*

When an officer of the league resigns before the end of his/her term, the Board of Directors shall be empowered to fill the vacancy until the next Annual Meeting of the league.

*6. Election of Officers:*

- a. The Board of Directors, not including the Past President and Life Members, of the league shall be elected by ballot at the Annual Meeting. At this time only Board Members, Club Delegates and Life Members may cast votes.
- b. To qualify for the position of President, one shall serve as an elected official to the league for a period of at least two years prior to nomination for President.
- c. Elections of Life Members will be by ballot at the Annual Meeting and require 80% majority of all votes cast by the current Board of Directors, Club Delegates and Life Members.

*7. Presidential Assignments:*



- a. The President will assign a Chairperson who will establish an annual proposed budget, to include all League and Tournament business. This budget will be presented to the general body for approval and shall not be exceeded without approval of the general body.
- b. The President will assign a Coach and General Manager of the All Star Team(s).
- c. The President will assign a League Historian, who will prepare and maintain a log of league events.
- d. The President will assign a Cup Chairperson.
- e. The President will assign Chairpersons of other committees, as established from time to time.
- f. The President will assign the Chairperson of the Arbitration Board, who will supervise all activities of the Arbitration Board. The Chairperson and

Member of the Arbitration Board shall step down on any case in which the President deems there to be conflict of interest. The Arbitration Board shall meet as necessary to dispose of all protests, claims and suspensions.

- g. The President will assign the Chairperson of the Rules Committee, who will supervise all activities of the Rules Committee. He/she shall be the interpreter of the rules. The Rules Committee shall meet as necessary to examine any proposed rule changes and make the necessary recommendations.
- h. The President will assign the Sergeant-at-Arms, who will be familiar with Roberts Rules and this Constitution and will recommend and enforce discipline and take charge of ballots and voting at the Annual Meeting.
- i. The President will assign the Custodian, who will take charge and maintain all equipment and property of the league.
- j. The President will assign a Screening Committee to review applications for membership, review requests for relegation or promotion, review overall league structure, etc.



# League Body

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## Chapter 3

### 1. *General Committee:*

The Business of the LIWSL shall be transacted by a general committee consisting of the Board of Directors of the LIWSL and one delegate or maximum two alternate delegates of each member club of the league.

- a. **General Committee Membership**  
The name of the club delegate shall be submitted in writing at the Annual Meeting. Club officials listed in the Directory or on the club registration form will be recognized as alternate delegates. Other changes in delegates or alternate delegates must be submitted in writing to the LIWSL Secretary at least seven days prior to the meeting to ensure voting and voting privileges.
- b. **General Committee Voting**
  - i. Except when elsewhere specifically excluded, the officers of the league shall have one vote each.
  - ii. At General Meetings the delegate or alternate delegate of each currently registered club shall have one vote. Clubs not participating in a regular full season, such as inactive clubs or clubs not in good standing, shall not be permitted to vote.
  - iii. At the Annual Meeting the delegate or alternate delegate of each club shall have one vote. Each club must remain in good standing and participate in a regular full season.
  - iv. Club delegates serving as officers of the league may elect to vote as a delegate or as an officer, but not as both.

### 2. *General Committee Meetings:*

General Committee meetings shall be held as required on the first Wednesday of each month, except when a holiday interferes, in which case the date will be changed by vote at the prior General Committee Meeting. The time of the meeting is set at 7:30pm. The meeting shall have a quorum when a majority of the voting members are present. A majority vote of the quorum is required to enforce LIWSL business.

### 3. *Annual Meeting:*

The Annual Meeting shall be held in February. The time of the Annual Meeting shall be announced.

### 4. *Emergency Meeting:*



Emergency Meetings may be called by the order of the President or upon request of the Board of Directors. The rules of this Constitution shall prevail at all Emergency Meetings.

*5. Visitors:*

Visitors may be granted the privilege of being present at the Annual or General Committee Meetings but shall have no voice or vote.

*6. Fiscal Year:*

The Fiscal Year of the league shall begin and end with the Annual Meeting. All rules and regulations are in effect during the twelve months of the Fiscal Year.

*7. Order of Business:*

The order of business for General Committee Meetings shall be as follows unless changed by vote at the beginning of the meeting.

- a. Roll Call
- b. Minutes of previous meeting
- c. Communications
- d. Unfinished business
- e. Report of the Chairperson of standing committees
- f. Reports of Officers. Treasurer's report presented last.
- g. Report of Auditors
- h. Discharge of officers (Annual Meeting only)
- i. Election of Officers (Annual Meeting only)
- j. Amendments to Constitution and Bylaws (Annual Meeting only)
- k. New Business
- l. Adjournment





# Membership

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## Chapter 4

### *1. Annual Membership Requirements for all Teams:*

- a. **Team Annual Dues**  
Each team shall pay annual dues as listed in Chapter 10.
- b. **Team Membership Renewal:**  
Teams must renew their membership seasonally by paying their dues to the league prior to the upcoming season as outlined in Chapter 10.
- c. **Bond:**  
Each team of the league must post a Bond before commencement of league games. This bond shall be listed in Chapter 10. Fines levied against a team will be deducted from this bond. Teams must maintain the bond balance as outlined in Chapter 10. Teams failing to comply will be denied further competition in league play.

### *2. Divisions:*

Divisions in which teams will compete will be established by the Scheduling Secretary under the direction of the Board of Directors. Competition will be arranged to match the level of skill.

### *3. Team Withdrawal:*

- a. If a team should withdraw from the league during the current season with four or more scheduled games remaining in the season, such team shall forfeit the balance of their bond.
- b. Teams which have withdrawn from the league may be readmitted to membership by a league vote after a minimum of 1 year. All outstanding balances, fees and bonds must be paid in full.
- c. A team having withdrawn in consecutive seasons of participation shall not be permitted to participate in league play until a double bond is posted.

### *4. Entrance Requirements for New Teams:*

- a. **Membership Application**  
Application for membership must be accompanied by a list of team officers, team colors, field name and directions and league application fee as listed in Chapter 10. This fee is non-refundable, but upon acceptance into the league, will be credited to the team's account.



b. Application Procedure

All applications for membership should be made 21 days prior to the season start date to ensure consideration for the upcoming season. The Board of Directors will review new team applications.

*5. Entrance Fee and Bond for New Teams:*

The entrance fee for all new teams is listed in Chapter 10. This fee is in addition to all other membership fees described herein.



# Sponsorship

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## Chapter 5

### 1. *Team Sponsors:*

Teams may be sponsored by anyone; however, the name of the team must include the Town or Community from which it originates. Reference to ethnic associations shall be reviewed by the Board of Directors.

### 2. *Jersey Emblem:*

Size and location of advertisement and letters or emblems on player shirts shall be reviewed by the Board of Directors.

### 3. *Jersey Numbers:*

**All teams registered in the league must wear numbers on their uniforms for all league matches including cup matches.** The dimensions of the numbers shall be six to eight inches in height and are to be located on the back of the shirt. Numbers should be of contrasting color to the jersey color.



# Player Registration

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## Chapter 6

### 1. *Player Registration Eligibility:*

- a. Amateur, as well as professional players may participate in games of the league provided they are duly registered with the LIWSL.
- b. To be eligible to play for a club in any particular game, each player must at the time of such game, be duly and properly registered with that club and must produce a valid player's pass with official league sticker.

### 2. *Player Registration Period:*

- a. An amateur player registration remains in effect from August 1 of the current year through July 31 of the following year.
- b. A professional player registration remains in effect until a properly executed release is obtained from the club.

### 3. *Player Eligibility:*

A player registered with a club may play in any league match for their registered team. Only rostered players are permitted to play in any matches. US Club Soccer registered youth players may play on loan with a senior team in the LIWSL. That player must have a player pass and executed player loan form.

### 4. *Player Releases:*

Players changing their clubs during the current season must be released from their former club before they may re-register for their new club.

### 5. *Players not in Good Standing:*

A player is not in good standing if they do not meet the league's financial and behavioral requirements.

### 6. *Suspended Players:*

Players who are suspended by the league during the current season may be released by their club. The suspended player may not register with any club until the suspension has been lifted.

### 7. *Player Registration:*



- a. The team representative and/or coach are responsible for all player and coach passes.
- b. All player passes shall be returned to the league registrar within 30 days of their final scheduled league match during the current registration period.
- c. A team that does not return all player and coaches passes will not have their team bond returned. Once all passes are received, bond money will be returned to the club within 2 weeks.
- d. If a player's pass is lost, a new pass must be issued before the player is eligible to play. There shall be a charge for the lost pass of \$10.

*8. Registration Materials for Opening Kick –Off:*

- a. All teams must have a person with a valid coach's pass present at all matches.
- b. Player registration will only be accepted from clubs that have presented the team application and bond as listed in Chapter 10 and have been accepted for participation in league play.
- c. Player passes will not be issued until all player registration materials have been submitted. Player registration materials include:
  - i. Player registration form for all new players
  - ii. Player registration fee as listed in Chapter 10
  - iii. Player photo
  - iv. Player information entry on to official roster via the league website
- d. A minimum of 13 players must be registered during the initial team registration **ALONG WITH THE TEAM BOND** in order for that team to be included on the schedule. Initial registration of less than 13 players will not be accepted.
- e. There is no registration cutoff date for additional players during the regular season.
- f. Players may not be registered and passes will not be issued during league playoffs.
- g. Player passes will be issued only to the coach or team representative.
- h. **TEAMS SHOULD ALLOW A MINIMUM OF 10 DAYS FOR A PLAYER PASS TO BE ISSUED ONCE ALL REQUIRED MATERIALS AND FEES HAVE BEEN RECEIVED BY THE LEAGUE REGISTRAR.**



# Game Regulations

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## Chapter 7

### 1. Rules of Soccer:

- a. All games within this league shall be conducted under the rules recognized by this league which are the FIFA rules. National, State and League Cup games shall take precedence over league games, when teams have agreed to enter such competition.
- b. All positions in a division, including promotion and relegation, shall be decided by:
  - i. Most Points (3 for a win, 1 for a tie, 0 for a loss)
  - ii. Head to Head
  - iii. Most Wins
  - iv. Goal Differential (up to 5)
  - v. In the event of a tie, after all tie breakers have been applied, when there is an unequal schedule, a "play in" will serve as the tie breaker. Home team will be determined by the Board of Directors.

### 2. Forfeits and Postponements:

- a. No scheduled game shall be postponed without the consent of the Scheduling Secretary and agreement of both team representatives, when weather is not a factor in the reschedule request.
- b. When a game is postponed due to weather conditions, the game must be played within three weeks of the original scheduled date. If the designated home team cannot supply a field within that time frame then the game will be moved to the away team's field.
- c. Any club failing or refusing to play a regularly scheduled game shall forfeit the three points and be imposed a forfeit fee. No club shall agree to postpone a game without the permission of the Scheduling Secretary.
- d. Any team not appearing for three consecutive scheduled league games will be considered to have announced its intention to withdraw from this league and will be treated as such.
- e. Teams must have at least seven players on the field for a game to be official. Less than seven players constitute a forfeit.
- f. At the start of each season, all teams must post a performance bond as described in Chapter 10.
- g. Teams wishing to be excused from any scheduled league game must notify the Scheduling Secretary 7 days prior to the game. Permission may be granted depending upon the validity of reason and how such request affects the league schedule.



- h. Should either team be unprepared to play at the set match starting time, the referee shall allow a grace period of 15 minutes after scheduled kick-off time. After the passing of 15 minutes, the game will be considered a forfeit charged to the team that is still unprepared.
- i. All game forfeits shall be scored 3-0 unless the game forfeited after play has already begun. In such cases, the arbitration committee has the option of awarding a win by the score of 3-0, or by the score at the time the game was suspended (60 minutes constitutes an official game).
- j. A team may request, and the Scheduling Secretary will automatically grant, postponement of a game whenever 3 or more of its players, eligible to play in such game, are unable to play due to their participation in any soccer game in which the players represented a higher level US body such as the US National Team, State Select Team or LIWSL Select Team.

### *3. Scoring Following Team Withdrawal from the League:*

In the event that a team, through disbandment or any other reason, withdraws from the league and does not finish the schedule of games, the following rules shall prevail:

- a. If at least one-half of the season schedule has been played, all scores shall stand. The points of the remaining games shall be credited to the opponents by a 3-0 score.
- b. If less than one-half of the season schedule is played, all points for games played shall be canceled.

Note: "One-half of the season schedule" shall be interpreted as one-half of the total number of scheduled games (even though some teams may have been played twice) exclusive of playoff matches.

### *4. Referee Procedures:*

- a. The referee shall officiate all games according to the Laws of the Game as defined by FIFA.
- b. The referee shall forward the results of each game played, team rosters, and particulars thereof to the Referee Coordinator.
- c. If the referee appointed to a game fails to appear, the captains of the competing teams must agree to a substitute referee for the game. In such event, both the selected referee and the home team shall forward full particulars to the Referee Coordinator within 3 days of the game. In the event no such agreement can be reached in selection of a substitute referee, the following options will then be available:
  - i. Both teams will forfeit the points and not play the match. This option is only available when the result of the game will not knowingly change the promotion or relegation of another team.
  - ii. Either team may request a rescheduling of the match within 3 days of the match, to the Scheduling Secretary.



- d. If the referee fails to appear for his/or assigned game, the home team must notify the Referee Coordinator on the same day as said game. The Referee Coordinator in turn shall forward the names of absentee referees to the Referee Association for disciplinary action.
- e. If the referee finds the grounds in an unplayable condition due to weather, the game will be rescheduled. In the case of a forfeited game, the referee shall be paid the full fee by the forfeiting team.

#### *5. Game Procedures:*

- a. The names of all players must be listed on an official roster form dated no earlier than 5 days prior to the match date and submitted to the referee prior to the start of the game.
- b. All player passes shall be in the hands of the referee at the game start.
- c. The names of substitutes and/or late comers must be placed on the roster before the start of the match. Passes must be presented to the referee upon substitution in to the game.
- d. An unlimited number of substitutions and re-substitutions are permitted to the full extent of the team's roster on any dead ball and/or with the referee's permission.
- e. There will be a maximum number of 30 players that may register for a single team; however, a maximum of 26 will be permitted to dress on the roster for a single game.
- f. Upon completion of the match, the winning team is responsible for reporting the score to the league no later than 10:00 am of the day following the game date. In the event of a tie, the home team will be responsible for reporting the score.

Note: These rules are only applicable to LIWSL league and league cup games. In State and National cup competitions, their respective rules are applied.

#### *6. Player and Team Conduct:*

- a. Every club is responsible to the league for the conduct of its players, officials, and spectators and is required to take all necessary precautions to prevent threatening of match officials and players during or at the conclusion of a game.
- b. Any players, coaches, club officials, and spectators who threatens a match official shall be immediately subject to a 4 game suspension.
- c. Any player, coaches, club officials, and spectators who attacks a match official shall receive a 1 year suspension from play in the LIWSL.
- d. Any player who receives 3 yellow cards in a single season shall receive a 1 game suspension.
- e. Any player who receives a red card shall receive an automatic 1 game suspension regardless of the circumstances. Further disciplinary action may be imposed by the Board of Directors and/or the Arbitration Committee.





## 7. *Fields:*

- a. All clubs must provide the Scheduling Secretary with the name and directions to their home field prior to the start of the season. Each club is responsible for providing the Scheduling Secretary with updated field information each season as required.
- b. Any club changing the location of its playing field during the season must notify their immediately scheduled opponents and also the Scheduling Secretary and Referee Coordinator.
- c. Clubs failing to obtain grounds for regularly scheduled games must play on the grounds of their opponent or a field selected by the Scheduling Secretary and shall assume responsibility as the Home Team. Such arrangements must be made in full cooperation of the League Scheduling Secretary 1 week prior to the game.
- d. The Home Club shall report to the Board of Directors at least 3 hours before the start of the game if weather conditions have made the field unplayable. Only the Board of Directors shall have the right to cancel matches prior to start time.
- e. In the event that the league must cancel matches due to inclement weather, the Board of Directors will notify the home clubs no later than 2 ½ hours prior to the scheduled match start time.
- f. Except as noted below, all games during fall and spring will be played on Sundays with scheduled starts 9:00 am or later. There are two exceptions to this rule:
  - i. When both teams and the Board of Directors agree otherwise, or
  - ii. The home team has access to a properly lighted field for evening matches. This field must be approved by the Scheduling Secretary.
- g. The home club shall contact the visiting club on or before the Wednesday evening prior to each game to reaffirm the time, place, and directions and to verify that the club uniform colors are sufficiently distinct. When there is a conflict of uniform color, the home team will change their color.

## 8. *All-Star Representation:*

The Scheduling Secretary shall have supervision over all representative games. He/she shall give proper notice to all players selected by this league for such games. If a player cannot appear, a notice giving the reason for the inability to appear must be given without delay. Any player selected for a representative game shall be suspended for a period of at least two weeks if she fails to appear without a valid excuse and shall be barred from appearing in any other representative games until such time that she appeals to the Board of Directors.

## 9. *LIWSL Cup Competitions:*

Participation in the LIWSL Marion Ring Cup is OPTIONAL for all LIWSL teams. All other teams NOT from the LIWSL must pay a \$50 entry fee if they wish to participate.



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# Fines, Protests, Claims and Appeals

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## Chapter 8

### *1. Protests:*

- a. All protests which arise from an infringement of the playing rules are subject to a Protest Fee as listed in Chapter 10. Protests giving detailed reasons, and including such fee, shall be presented in writing, postmarked by Wednesday midnight after the game in protest, sent to the Chairperson of the Arbitration Committee as well as the opponent.
- b. Any grounds for a protest which should arise before the start of the match shall immediately be submitted in writing to the referee and the opposing team before the commencement of the match. Such protests must be followed by the above outlined procedure, or will be declared null and void.

### *2. Arbitration Decisions and Appeals:*

- a. All decisions of the Arbitration Committee will be announced at the next General Meeting of the league. The teams involved will be notified by mail within three weeks of the incident.
- b. The decisions rendered by the Arbitration Committee will be binding, subject to the following appeals procedure.
  - i. Any team may appeal a decision of the Arbitration Committee by submitting a written appeal postmarked no later than fourteen days following the postmark of the written decision rendered by the Arbitration Committee, accompanied by the Appeal Fee as outlined in Chapter 10.
  - ii. A copy of the appeal must be simultaneously mailed to the opponent involved via Certified Mail.
  - iii. The Committee Chairperson will present the appeal at the next committee meeting at which point deliberation and voting on the issue will take place. If the decision favors the accused, all fines, fees and penalties shall be dropped. If the decision is against the accused then all fines, fees and penalties will remain as stated.

### *3. Reporting Game Scores:*

Clubs failing to report game scores to the proper parties and clubs reporting erroneous scores will be fined for each offense as specified in Chapter 10



4. *Returned Checks:*

Any club issuing a check which is uncollectable shall be fined as listed in Chapter 10. Such fine shall be abated if the club can furnish a certificate from the bank to the effect that it was the fault of the bank.

5. *Payment of Fines:*

All fines and penalties imposed for whatever reason shall be paid by withdrawal from the team's performance bond. If there are not sufficient funds in the bond account, penalties must be paid prior to the next scheduled league match or such club will be suspended.



# General Rules

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## Chapter 9

### *1. Constitutional Rule Changes:*

- a. Permanent changes to the Rules and Regulations shall be made at the Annual Meeting. Such changes shall require a majority of at least two-thirds of all votes cast in order to become part of this constitution.
- b. Clubs must present rule change proposals in writing to the Rules Committee Chairperson at, or prior to, the regularly scheduled General Meeting that immediately precedes the Annual Meeting.
- c. Rule change proposals submitted by mail must be received no later than thirty days prior to the Annual Meeting.
- d. The Rules Committee Chairperson shall send all rule change proposals to all Board of Directors members at least fifteen days prior to the Annual Meeting.
- e. All Constitutional Rule Changes shall be made by vote of all eligible voters.

### *2. Player Risk and Responsibility:*

Players assume all risk, responsibilities, and liabilities for loss, damage or injury while engaged as a player in the league or using the property and facilities of the league, whether such damage, loss or injury is occasioned by the league, its agents, and employees or otherwise. The league and clubs waive any and all claims for damages and costs arising out of such loss, damage or injury.

# Schedule of Dues, Bonds, Fees, Awards, and Fines

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## Chapter 10

### 1. *General Rules:*

- a. The league shall place all bond money in a savings account. All interest shall become part of the league treasury.
- b. When a team forfeits its bond, the league shall remove said bond and place it in the treasury.
- c. Procedures for and the magnitude of fines will be established by the Rules Committee and approved by the Board of Directors as required.

### 2. *LIWSL Constitutional Dues, Bonds, Fees and Awards:*

Unless otherwise specified, the values printed here are part of the Constitution and can only be modified as specified in Chapter 9.1.

a. New Club Entrance fee (chapter 4.1.a)	N.A.
b. Team season performance bond (chapter 4.1.c) Fines which are assessed against a club are deducted from this bond. The club must maintain this bond at full assessment.	\$400.00 / team
c. Protest Fee (chapter 8.1)	\$50.00
d. Appeal Fee (chapter 8.4)	\$50.00

### 3. *LIWSL Fines:*

- a. A team failing to appear for scheduled games (chapter 7.2.e) in all cases the team forfeits the game and will be fined for each offense as follows.
  - i. First forfeit offense: \$100.00 fine. If the forfeit occurs on the field, the forfeiting team is responsible for the entire referee fee.
  - ii. Second forfeit offense: \$150.00 fine. If the forfeit occurs on the field, the forfeiting team is responsible for the entire referee fee.
  - iii. Third forfeit offense: \$150.00 fine and removed from the remainder of that season's schedule. If the forfeit occurs on the field, the forfeiting team is responsible for the entire referee fee.
- b. Game Scores (chapter 8.6)

Failure to report a score	\$10.00
Failure for reporting an incorrect score	\$20.00

- c. Fine for uncollectable check (chapter 8.7)

First Offense	\$25.00
Second Offense	\$50.00

- d. Lost Player Pass (chapter 7.7.d)      \$10.00

4. *USSF, US Club Soccer and other fees:*

The majority of the following fees is set by the USSF or US Club Soccer and is beyond the control of the LIWSL. All fees below may change without notices and are not bound by this Constitution.

a. Club Registration	N.A.
b. Player Registration	\$50.00 / player
c. Summer Registration (for players registered during the previous fall or spring season)	\$25.00
d. Referee Fee	\$40.00 / team
e. Linesman (when applicable)	\$55 paid by the league
f. Referee Travel Fee	N.A.

- g. **Liability Insurance**  
Each team must subscribe to the US Club Soccer Liability Insurance Program. The fee and its coverage are negotiated annually. A certificate of insurance is mailed to the owner of the field upon request as part of this service. Each club must provide the name and address of the field owner.
- h. **Medical Insurance**  
It is mandated by the LIWSL that each team must provide medical insurance for its players. The fees and coverage are provided annually for review. The insurance premium is part of the player registration fee.



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**TEAM APPLICATION FOR LEAGUE ENTRY**

Fall \_\_\_\_\_ Spring \_\_\_\_\_ Summer \_\_\_\_\_

CLUB NAME AND TEAM NAME	
COACH'S NAME	ALTERNATE TEAM REPRESENTATIVE
COACH'S PHONE NUMBER	PHONE NUMBER
CELL PHONE NUMBER	CELL PHONE NUMBER
EMAIL ADDRESS	EMAIL ADDRESS
STREET ADDRESS	STREET ADDRESS
CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE	CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE
HOME FIELD NAME (ATTACH DIRECTIONS)	
TEAM UNIFORM DESCRIPTION SHIRT COLOR                      SHORTS SOCKS	ALTERNATE UNIFORM DESCRIPTION SHIRT COLOR                      SHORTS SOCKS

**A copy of this application must be returned for each team, together with the required performance bond of \$400.00 made payable to "Long Island Women's Soccer League."**

On behalf of the team listed on this application, I \_\_\_\_\_  
(team representative/coach) understand and accept the following terms as condition of acceptance in to the Long Island Women's Soccer League:

1. I understand that payment of the required league performance bond is a statement of intent to participate in the next scheduled league season and is not a substitute for proper individual player registration.
2. I have read and understand the "LIWSL Rules and Bylaws" (available for review on the league website [www.liwomensoccer.com](http://www.liwomensoccer.com)) and agree that my team will follow the procedures and rules outlined there-in.
3. If the team is not accepted for participation in the league, the performance bond will be returned in full.
4. I understand that whatever bond balance, if any, remains at the end of the season may be carried over for use in the following season, or I may receive the balance refunded upon written request to the treasurer.

Coach/Team Rep Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_