



*You Are Cordially Invited To The
29th Annual Valley Cup Women's Soccer Tournament
May 15-16, 2010
Cherry Island Soccer Complex
Sacramento, California*

We are pleased to announce our 29th Annual Valley Cup Tournament. The tournament format offers ample opportunity for excellent soccer competition, with four games guaranteed to each participating team.

Applications will be accepted on a FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVED basis, according to the POSTMARK DATE. As in the past, we anticipate that space will fill quickly, so please return your response promptly. We look forward to seeing you in May for another year of friendly competition!

TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

Dates: Saturday, May 15, 2010: Round Robin Qualification
Sunday, May 16, 2010: Elimination Playoff

Fee Schedule: We have incorporated two deadlines with a tiered fee schedule. Postmarks are controlling. For the February deadline, payment must accompany the application; applications without payment will be subject to the greater fee.

February 19 Deadline \$495 per team

March 12 Deadline \$550 per team

A check for full fee amount is required with the application form. Make checks payable to Valley Cup/SVWSL. *Note: As indicated on the next page and in the cover letter, each team's roster must be included with your tournament application. No signatures are required; players can do that at the tournament. Team managers/coordinators, you need to include birthdates.*

Tournament Address: ***This is my residence; be sure to put Deidre Bryant on the envelope***
502 Cranberry Lane, El Dorado Hills, CA 95762

Tournament Contact: Deidre Bryant, Valley Cup Chair
valleycup@svwsl.com
www.svwsl.com

Application Deadline: February 19: \$495 ***** March 12: \$550
Roster deadline is March 12, 2009. Limited slots available, please apply early.

Team Size: No less than 14 and no more than 18 players

Tournament Location: Cherry Island Soccer Complex in north Sacramento
Maps will be provided with acceptance letter.

Divisions: Based upon interest/entries, the divisions are:
Competitive
Recreational A, B, C, D
Over 30 A, B, C
Over 40 (may have two players between 35 and 40 years old)
Over 50 (may have two players between 45 and 50 years old)

Please designate first, second, and third division preference on your application; we will try to accommodate your first choice. Note: Any team that has placed first or second in the same division of play for the past two years may be placed in the next higher division. The Valley Cup Committee reserves the right to place teams as deemed appropriate.

Number of Games: Four (4) games guaranteed.

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Game Length: Saturday: A maximum of 25-minute halves.
Sunday: Playoff games thirty (30) minute halves with five-minute breaks. In order to maintain the tournament schedule, penalty kicks will be used to break tie games during playoffs (no overtime). Round robin or pool play games are still 25-minute halves.

Rosters: An initial roster with a minimum of 14 players and maximum of 18 players must be included with your application. *Note: Signatures are not required on the roster prior to the tournament; you need to include birthdates.* Once initial roster has been submitted, teams will be allowed a maximum of five player replacements (drop and add) or additions prior to the close of registration/check-in at 4:00 pm on Saturday, May 15, 2010. For convenience, these changes may be made via e-mail prior to registration/check-in (valleycup@svwsl.com). **Roster deadline is March 12, 2010.**

Changes to the roster will not be allowed on Sunday.

Once a player has registered/checked-in/participated in a tournament match, that player may not be replaced on the roster. However, the Valley Cup Committee reserves the right to make exceptions in the case of injury.

Team Confirmation: A confirmation by e-mail will acknowledge that your application packet was received. Incomplete packets could be placed on a waiting list. *Be sure to include tournament application, roster, fees, and team standings in your league.*

Team Acceptance: Team acceptance letters will be emailed by the beginning of April. A follow-up email, including schedules, maps, and other pertinent tournament details, will be available online by May 1. **ONCE A TEAM HAS BEEN ACCEPTED, REFUNDS WILL NOT BE ISSUED.** Teams that are not selected may elect to: (1) receive an immediate refund in full or (2) request placement on a waiting list in the event an opening occurs. Teams not placed in the tournament will be issued a full refund no later than two weeks after the tournament.

Other Notes:

1. We are concerned about the safety of all our players. If you plan to wear a knee brace, please remember that hard surfaces must be covered by 1/4-inch closed-cell slow recovery rubber or equivalent material (neoprene sleeve).
2. Jerseys must have numbers on the back. Alternate jerseys with numbers are required.

Please return enclosed application form, roster, fees, and league standings to:

Valley Cup Tournament
c/o Deidre Bryant
502 Cranberry Lane
El Dorado Hills, CA 95762
(916) 551-3991
valleycup@svwsl.com
www.svwsl.com

On the enclosed application, please be sure to indicate if you would like to be placed on a waiting listing should your team *not* be selected by the **March 12, 2010**, application deadline.

We will try to accommodate all teams with their first division choice, with consideration given to optimum playoff bracketing, field usage, and maximum number of participating teams.

Thank you, and we look forward to your team's participation!

Valley Cup Committee



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TOURNAMENT APPLICATION

Application Deadlines: February 19/\$495 or March 12/\$550

TEAM NAME _____

TEAM ALIAS (list any previous team names or other team names you use)

TEAM MANAGER'S NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

HOME PHONE _____ CELL PHONE _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS (for tournament communication only; will not be distributed)

AFFILIATIONS

LEAGUE _____ DIVISION _____

LEAGUE CONTACT NAME/PHONE _____

TEAM INFORMATION

Average years of experience of players on this tournament roster _____

Please provide standings for the *last two seasons* and the *current league* season.

TOURNAMENTS COMPETED IN (IF ANY) AND POSITIONS FINISHED

UNIFORM COLORS (jerseys/shorts/socks) _____

ALTERNATE UNIFORM COLORS (jerseys/shorts/socks) _____

DIVISION PREFERENCE	<i>1st Choice</i>	<i>2nd Choice</i>	<i>3rd Choice</i>
COMPETITIVE *	_____	_____	_____

*Teams with players younger than 18 years old must have a waiver signed by a parent/guardian in order to play (no exceptions); players must be 16 years old by Friday, May 14, 2010.

RECREATIONAL	**Players must be 18 years old by Friday, May 14, 2010.		
Division A	_____	_____	_____
Division B	_____	_____	_____
Division C	_____	_____	_____
Division D	_____	_____	_____

OVER 30	***All players must turn 30 by December 31, 2010.		
Division A	_____	_____	_____
Division B	_____	_____	_____
Division C	_____	_____	_____

OVER 40 ****	_____		
****With the exception of two players, all players must turn 40 by December 31, 2010. The exception: over 40s teams may have two players between 35 and 40 years old.			

OVER 50 *****	_____		
*****With the exception of two players, all players must turn 50 by December 31, 2010. The exception: over 40s teams may have two players between 45 and 50 years old.			

If your team is not selected by the March 12 deadline, would you like to be placed on the *waiting list*?
 Yes _____ No _____