

State Cup Playdown Games Self-Scheduling Guidelines

Process:

- Playdown Game matchups will be determined following the random draw on Monday, April 3rd.
- Teams are responsible for working together to determine an agreed upon date/time to complete the matches.
- Home team is responsible for securing and paying for a field at the agreed upon date & time.
- Home team is responsible for providing the date/time/location to NYSW **a minimum of 10 days prior** to the scheduled match.
- **Once agreed upon, send an email including the Game #, Team Names, Date, Time & Location (including field name or number) to StateCupChair@nyswysa.org.**
- If a date/time is not agreed upon by the specified deadline for each round, **NYSW will schedule the game at a date, time and location to be determined** and the teams will split the cost of the field rental.
- NYSW will schedule and confirm the referee assignments for the match.
- Both teams will split the cost of the referees for the playdown match.
- If a playdown game is cancelled or postponed due to weather, it is up to the teams to agree on a reschedule date & time to be completed prior to the posted deadlines.
- If a second-round game is required:
 - Upon conclusion of the initial playdown match, the advancing team shall reach out to the team who they will be competing against to schedule the second-round match.
 - If the other game has not concluded to determine the advancing team, it is recommended that the first team who has advanced reach out to both potential teams and agree on a possible date/time for the next game.

Timeline/ Dates:

New This Year – For age groups/brackets that only have 1 playdown game, the game can be played any date through May 20th. For age groups/brackets that have 2 playdown games, the 1st game must be completed by Sunday, May 7th and the 2nd game must be completed by May 20th.

- April 3rd at 6:00pm – Blind Draw conducted via Zoom
- April 4th – Playdown match pairings will be posted, and teams can begin to schedule games
- April 24th at 5:00pm – All games must be scheduled by this date except for Round 2 games which can not be confirmed until completion of Round 1.
 - ***Any unscheduled games will be scheduled at a date/time/location determined by NYSW***
- May 7th end of day – All age groups/brackets with a 2nd round game must have the 1st game completed by this date.
- May 11th at 5:00pm – 2nd Round Playdown game & 19U game schedule due
 - ***Any unscheduled games will be scheduled at a date/time/location determined by NYSW***
- May 20th end of day – All Playdown games must be completed
- May 21st – Make-up Day available if needed to complete playdown games due to rainout