



Proposed Rule Changes

Rule 4-9 – Youth to Senior Permits (YSP)

Logic:

Bring limits on number of combined permits in line with the other permit limits of 5 permits in total inclusive of YTSP/ICP/ Affiliation

Existing:

(2) There is no limit to the number of Youth to Senior Permits that may be used by a team in a single League match.

Revision:

(2) A maximum of five (5) permits may be used by a team in a single League match

Rule 4 – Youth to Senior Permits (YSP)

Logic: Housekeeping for consistency across all permit rules to include Affiliated Team Permit details to Youth to Senior rule.

Revision (example):

(3.1) The total number of permitted players allowed (Youth to Senior, Intra-Club, & Affiliated Team permits combined) in a single League Cup match is two (2).

(3.2) Any team adding players on Youth to Senior Permits, or in combination with Intra-Club Permits and Affiliated Team permits, may not exceed a game day roster limit of 14 players in a single League Cup match.

Rule 4-14 – Under-21 (U21) Division Player

Logic:

The League currently does not have a U21 division but if it resumes we would want it limited to all participants under 21 which requires the removal of references to overage players.

Existing:

(1) This division is restricted to players who are under 21 years of age as of December 31st of the current year.

(2) Teams in this division are permitted to sign five overage players of which a maximum of two players may be over 25 by December 31st of the current year.

(3) The five overage players will be eligible to play in all League and League Cup matches but must adhere to BC Soccer rules and regulations for eligibility in U21 Provincial Cup games.

Revision:

(1) This division is restricted to players who are under 21 years of age as of December 31st of the current year.

Section 8 – The Start and Restart of Play

Logic:

All teams should make best efforts to ensure the full game is played and prevent unnecessary rescheduling of games.

Existing:

- (1) All matches scheduled are expected to start on time. Should a field usage be delayed, teams are required to note the details in the match report.

Revision:

- (2) Teams are expected to give their opponent a 15-minute grace period to field a team.
- (3) Should issues arise that would prevent the start or restart of play (i.e. field conditions/lights/uncontrollable events), teams are expected to give their opponents a 15-minute grace period to address the issue before ending the game.

Rule 4-3 – Player Registration Time Requirements

Logic:

There is an administrative burden to refunds after the season starts and with player registration there is also a portion that is due to BC Soccer.

Existing:

(1) Players must be registered a minimum of 24 hours prior to playing in a League match and a minimum of seven full days prior to a Provincial or Divisional Cup match as per BC Soccer.

- (1.1) A player must remit payment of registration fees to the League before they are eligible to play. Player cards and rosters will not be available until payment has been accepted.

Revision:

- (1.2) No player registration fees will be refunded once the season has started.

Appendix C – Intra-Club and Affiliated Team Permit Equivalencies

Logic:

Housekeeping to remove references to “Masters Premier” throughout appendix C as that division no longer exists.

Existing:

- (2) Master’s Premier = Selects B

(2.1) In the event that a Masters Premier Division is re-established, players from Masters Premier can be brought up on an Intra-Club Permit or Affiliated Team Permit to Premier and Selects A & B as long as they are from the same club or affiliated team.

(2.2) Players can be brought up on an Intra-Club Permit or Affiliated Team Permit to Masters Premier from Selects B, Divisions 1-5 Over 40's or Masters Divisions 1-4 but must be from the same club or affiliated team and must be 30 or older by December 31st of the current year.

Revision:

Remove section 2 entirely and renumber subsequent sections; remove "Master's Premier" wording throughout Appendix C.

Logic:

Reassess equivalencies for permits to/from Masters and Open divisions to better reflect existing competitive levels in the League.

Existing:

(3) Master's Division 1 = Division 1

(3.1) Players from Masters Division 1 can be brought up on an Intra-Club Permit or Affiliated Team Permit to Premier, Selects A & B, Division 1 & Masters Premier as long as they are from the same club or affiliated team.

(3.2) Players can be brought up on an Intra-Club Permit or Affiliated Team Permit to Master's Division 1 from Divisions 1-5, Over 40's and Masters Divisions 2,3 & 4 but must be from the same club or affiliated team and must be 30 or older by December 31st of the current year.

Revision:

(3) Master's Division 1 = Division 2

(3.1) Players from Masters Division 1 can be brought up on an Intra-Club Permit or Affiliated Team Permit to Premier, Selects A & B, Division 1, & 2 as long as they are from the same club or affiliated team.

(3.2) Players can be brought up on an Intra-Club Permit or Affiliated Team Permit to Master's Division 1 from Divisions 1-5, Over 40's and Masters Divisions 2,3 & 4 but must be from the same club or affiliated team and must be 30 or older by December 31st of the current year.

Existing:

(4) Master's Division 2 = Division 2

(4.1) Players from Masters Division 2 can be brought up on an Intra-Club Permit or Affiliated Team Permit to Premier, Selects A & B, Divisions 1, 2 & 3 and Masters Premier & Masters Division 1 as long as they are from the same club or affiliated team.

(4.2) Players can be brought up on an Intra-Club Permit or Affiliated Team Permit to Masters Division 2 from Divisions 2-5, Over 40's or Masters Divisions 2-4 but must be from the same club or affiliated team.

Revision:

(4) Master's Division 2 = Division 3

(4.1) Players from Master's Division 2 can be brought up on an Intra-Club Permit or Affiliated Team Permit to Premier, Selects A & B, Divisions 1, 2 & 3 and Masters Premier & Masters Division 1 as long as they are from the same club or affiliated team.

(4.2) Players can be brought up on an Intra-Club Permit or Affiliated Team Permit to Master's Division 2 from Divisions 3-5, Over 40's or Master's Divisions 3-4 but must be from the same club or affiliated team.

Existing:

(5) Over 40's = Master's Division 3 = Division 3

(5.1) Players from Masters Division 3 and Over 40's can be brought up on an Intra-Club Permit or Affiliated Team Permit to Premier, Selects A & B, Divisions 1-5 and Masters Premier & Masters Divisions 1 & 2 as long as they are from the same club or affiliated team.

(5.2) Players can be brought up on an Intra-Club Permit or Affiliated Team Permit to Masters Division 3 and Over 40's from Divisions 3-5 and Masters Divisions 3-4 but must be from the same club or affiliated team.

Revision:

(5) Over 40's = Master's Division 3 = Division 4

(5.1) Players from Master's Division 3 and Over 40's can be brought up on an Intra-Club Permit or Affiliated Team Permit to Premier, Selects A & B, Divisions 1-5 and Masters Premier & Masters Divisions 1 2 & 3 as long as they are from the same club or affiliated team.

(5.2) Players can be brought up on an Intra-Club Permit or Affiliated Team Permit to Masters Division 3 and Over 40's from Divisions 4-5 and Masters Divisions 3-4 but must be from the same club or affiliated team.

Existing:

(6) Masters Division 4 = Division 4

(6.1) Players from Masters Division 4 and Over 40's can be brought up on an Intra-Club Permit or Affiliated Team Permit to Premier, Selects A & B, Divisions 1-5 and Masters Premier & Masters Divisions 1 -4 as long as they are from the same club or affiliated team.

(6.2) Players can be brought up on an Intra-Club Permit or Affiliated Team Permit to Masters Division 4 and Over 40's from Divisions 4 -5 but must be from the same club or affiliated team.

Revision:

(6) Master's Division 4 = Division 5

(6.1) Players from Master's Division 4 and Over 40's can be brought up on an Intra-Club Permit or Affiliated Team Permit to Premier, Selects A & B, Divisions 1-5 and Masters Premier & Masters Divisions 1 -4 as long as they are from the same club or affiliated team.

(6.2) Players can be brought up on an Intra-Club Permit or Affiliated Team Permit to Master's Division 4 and Over 40's from Divisions 4 -5 but must be from the same club or affiliated team

Logic:

Housekeeping to establish equivalencies in the event that Masters divisions are expanded in the future and include open Division 5.

Revision:

(7) Masters Division 5 = Division 5

(7.1) Players from Master's Division 5 and Over 40's can be brought up on an Intra-Club Permit or Affiliated Team Permit to Premier, Selects A & B, Divisions 1-5 and Masters Premier & Masters Divisions 1 -4 as long as they are from the same club or affiliated team.

(7.2) Players can be brought up on an Intra-Club Permit or Affiliated Team Permit to Master's Division 5 and Over 40's from Divisions 4 -5 but must be from the same club or affiliated team

Logic:

Housekeeping to remove references for multiple divisions (i.e. U21A and U21B) in U21 in the event that it is re-established there will only be one division.

Existing:

(7) U21 A – Division 2

(7.1) Players from U21 can be brought up on an Intra-Club Permit or Affiliated Team Permit to Premier, Selects A & B and Divisions 1 as long as they are from the same club or affiliated team.

(7.2) Players can be brought up to U21 on an Intra-Club Permit or Affiliated Team Permit from Divisions 3, 4 & 5 and U21 B but must be from the same club or affiliated team.

Revision:

(7.1) Players from U21 can be brought up on an Intra-Club Permit or Affiliated Team Permit to Premier, Selects A & B and Divisions 1 as long as they are from the same club or affiliated team.

(7.2) Players can be brought up to U21 on an Intra-Club Permit or Affiliated Team Permit from Divisions 3, 4 & 5 and U21 B but must be from the same club or affiliated team.