



MWSL 2022-23 Schedulers Report

The Fall/Winter 2022-23 MWSL soccer season was a big improvement from last season as we were able to get about 97% of the league games played. It started out with a hiccup on the very first weekend where the majority of scheduled games had to be postponed due to the poor air quality in most areas with the number of wild fires burning in neighbouring areas. Then in October we had the Minnekada Park fire which caused poor air quality in many areas as well. Very shortly after the heat wave fuelling the fires we were plunged into a cold snap with snow keeping us off the fields! Cup play managed to see most games played on schedule except for Quarter final games scheduled for Feb. 26. That's when we got another dump of snow, which put everything back a week, not allowing for much notice to teams for Semi final games. Thank you to teams for being understanding and flexible at that time. Hopefully, the upcoming Spring season will have some decent spring weather conditions so we can all get out and enjoy the beautiful game.

*****PLEASE NOTE***** 😊 Remember to direct all scheduling questions/comments to me, Leslie, at; scheduler_league@mwsll.com.

There is a “**Request to Reschedule**” form on the website under “Resources”. Please use this form whenever you are requesting to reschedule a game. Also, please make sure you are aware of the rules around reschedule requests.

- The league does make accommodations to reschedule a game for legitimate reasons but we **do not** reschedule games due to **lack of players**.
- Teams are responsible for recruiting enough players or **Intra-club** or **Youth–Senior transfer forms** to fill their roster if they are short players.
- Teams are requested **not** to contact each other to reschedule a game.

Please make note of these few things for your information:

Field Closures: Teams should always remember to check the web page for changes after 8:00pm on Friday for a Saturday game and after 1:00pm on Saturday for a Sunday game. I try to

get the Friday/Saturday cancellations up on the web page as soon as I can but **please remember to check the web page before your game** as sometimes last minute changes are unavoidable.

All HOME teams should check their field before the game and notify the other team, league scheduler and the league administrator, if the field is not playable! (Standing water, deep potholes, excessive goose/dog feces, ice or snow, common sense should dictate)

If you check the website of the municipality your game is to be in and it says the field is closed please **do not assume the game is cancelled as there may be another field available to move the game to. Our aim should always be to get the game played because that is why we are here.

Useful information:

- League Information and **Rules and Regulations** can be found on the MWSL web site (www.mwsl.com). If you have a question, check there first, then, if you can't find the answer, e-mail me at (lbforsoccer@hotmail.com or scheduler_league@mwsl.com) or call (604-816-6939) for scheduling questions or Jo-Dee (admin@mwsl.com) for administrative questions. All teams are reminded that the league Rules and Regulations are made by you, the members, and we just try to apply them as fairly as possible.
- **Rescheduling games-** I make every attempt to reschedule any missed games at a convenient time for both teams. If you have a field available and want to set up a make-up game please contact me and I will attempt to get it scheduled.
- Find out when the Parks Boards field meetings are for your municipality and attend these meetings to push for more turf fields to be built and improved access to all fields for women's teams.
- Please make sure you check the web page on a regular basis to ensure your scores and other info entered on the web page is correct.

If you have any questions regarding MWSL scheduling please contact me directly by e-mail at lbforsoccer@hotmail.com or scheduler_league@mwsl.com. E-mail is preferable but you can call/text me at 604-816- 6939.

Thanks,

Have a great season.
Leslie Burkinshaw

MWSL Scheduler.