

## **Region XIV Athletic Conference Soccer Rules/Regulations**

### **Rules:**

Region XIV Rules and Sports Producers shall be the latest rules published by the National Junior College Athletic Association Handbook and Casebook.

### **Soccer Committee Chairperson:**

We will have one representative to represent coaches from all participating region colleges.

### **Student Financial Assistance:**

Student financial assistance (scholarships) shall be administered by the institution, through the office which administers financial aid funds for enrolled students. Member's institutions shall monitor the number and type of scholarships allowable by Region XIV. The scholarship limits for your sport will be seventy-five percent of the maximum scholarships allowed by the NJCAA. Responsibility for the observance of the rules contained shall be the responsibility of the institution.

### **Sport Procedures:**

Sport procedures guidelines stated in the current NJCAA Handbook and Casebook regulate each NJCAA certified sport for each season.

### **Game Procedures:**

For each conference game, the host school shall provide 8 game balls or ball boys.

### **Conference Schedule:**

The representative shall submit a conference schedule to the Presidents of the Region. The schedules will be reviewed by the conference athletic directors and their recommendations will be reported to the presidents at the spring meeting.

All conference games must be played and completed by the last Saturday prior to the Regional Tournament.

### **Rescheduling games**

1. Must be agreed upon by both coaches
2. Must be reported to the Committee Chairperson
3. Conference games have priority over non-conference games

### **Rainouts**

1. In the event of a rainout, coaches must contact each other and reschedule the games within 48 hours of the original game date.
2. A conservative effort must be made to play the game within two weeks of the original date, if possible.
3. A neutral site can be used to make sure all conference games are completed.

4. All rainouts rescheduled must be reported to the appropriate representative. A lack of effort to reschedule games will be reported to the committee member and both institutions' Athletic Directors will be contact to help reschedule the games.

**Referee Assignor:**

San Antonio chapter assigns Laredo, Houston chapter assigns Coastal, SJ, and Angelina, and Dallas chapter assigns Northeast Texas.

**Reporting Statistics:**

Each Region Coach is expected to report weekly statistics as determined by the NJCAA.

**Post-Season Format (Men's):**

The NJCAA Region XIV Men's Soccer Tournament will be a single elimination tournament involving the

top eight teams from the region. Top four teams from the North Division and top four teams from the South division.

In the event of the fifth ranked team in North wins head-to-head with fourth team in South, the fifth-place team in North will take the fourth place in South

Men Region 14 Postseason/District

Quarter Final

1N v 4S

2N v 3S

1S v 4N

2S v 3N

Semi Final

Winners of 1N VS 4S & 3N VS 2S

Winners of 1S VS 4N & 3S VS 2N

Final

Winners of Semi Final Matches

NOTE: In order to host a Regional Tournament game, a college must have a regulation size field as per NJCAA rules. Exact dimensions are specified in the NJCAA rulebook.

Host of postseason games will use their schools referee assignor to assign games.

**Post-Season Format (Women's):**

The NJCAA Region XIV Women's Soccer Tournament will be a single elimination tournament involving the top eight teams from the region. Top four teams from the North Division and top four teams from the South division.

In the event of the fifth ranked team in North wins head-to-head with fourth team in South, the fifth-place team in North will take the fourth place in South.

## Women Region 14 Postseason

### Quarter Final

1N v 4S

2N v 3S

1S v 4N

2S v 3N

### Semi Final

Winners of 1N VS 4S & 3N VS 2S

Winners of 1S VS 4N & 3S VS 2N

### Final

Winners of Game #1 v Game #2

NOTE: In order to host a Regional Tournament game, a college must have a regulation size field as per NJCAA rules. Exact dimensions are specified in the NJCAA rulebook.

Host of postseason games will use their schools referee assignor to assign games.

## **M/W Soccer**

The following post-season tie breaker will be used to determine placement seeds in North and South Divisions: In case of a tie in **Divisional seeding**, the following tiebreaker procedure shall be used in order until the tie is broken:

1. Goal differential among the two teams that are tied. A 3 goal max enforced. Goals differential in head-to-head competition.
2. Goal differential within the conference games. A 3 goal max shall be enforced. Goals for versus goals against in Region XIV matches.
3. Least amount of goals given up in conference games. Fewest goals allowed in Region XIV matches.
4. Most goals scored in conference. A 3 goal max shall be in effect. Most goals scored in Region XIV matches.
5. Highest NJCAA National ranking.

The following post-season tie breaker will be used to determine host in the Region 14 Men's/Women's Soccer Tournament. The tiebreaker will be used when **same number seeds are playing in Final**.

1. Head to Head Regular season result
2. Highest NJCAA National Ranking
3. Coin Flip

## **Annual Coaches Meeting**

### Region XIV Meeting

The committee chairperson for the conference will call a meeting for all respective coaches on the night before the beginning of the Regional Tournament. All head coaches are required to attend the meeting. If the head coach cannot attend, an assistant coach or an employee of their institution may represent the head coach. A head coach may use other means to attend such as: conference call, face time, Skype to participate in the meeting. Non-attendance will result in their players being ineligible for All-Regional Honors.

## **All-Region Team Voting**

### Men

Two players are picked from the top 4 finishing schools, and one player from each remaining school are named All-Region.

### Women

Each coach will be emailed an All-Region Nomination form. Each team may nominate 2 forwards, 2 midfielders, 2 defenders and a goalie. The nomination form is emailed to the Women's Region Director, who will compile. The compiled forms and a ballot will be emailed, and each coach will then vote rank the top 4 forwards, top 4 midfielders, top 4 defenders, and top goalie. They will also rank those 13 players from 1 to 13 for All American consideration. Each ballot will be emailed to Region Director, who will compile. A third ballot will be emailed to the coaches to rank the 13 All Region players in order so that All American nominations can be sent to the NJCAA. The All Region team will be released at the conclusion of the Region Tournament.

### **Rules and Game Protocol:**

The playing rules for all games shall follow the Official NCAA Soccer Rules.

### **Sportsmanship:**

Every coach is expected to read and understand the **Sportsmanship Rules, Article XVIII of the NJCAA By-Laws.**