DEFINITIONS

FIFA:

All references to FIFA mean Federation Internationale de Football Association.

For more information on FIFA, go to the Information section of these Operating Documents:

Insert hyper-link here

Laws of the Game: All references to "Laws of the Game" shall mean FIFA Laws of the Game.

Girls Team: A girls team is a team consisting of all female players.

Boys Team: All other teams are considered boys teams for the purpose of competition.

Ineligible Player:

A player who is:

- improperly registered
- improperly rostered
- under a disciplinary sanction
- not cleared to play for medical reasons

INFORMATION

FIFA has established a set of rules that govern the game of soccer. These rules have been compiled and published as a document called "Laws of the Game". Since Washington Youth Soccer is a member of FIFA, we are governed by the Laws of the Game. FIFA recognizes that modifications to the Laws of the Game may be necessary in order to meet the needs and skill set of youth soccer versus adult soccer.

The following policies and procedures relate to the rules of competition for Washington Youth Soccer, including any modifications made to accommodate youth soccer competitions.

POLICIES

POLICY #1 - RULES OF COMPETITION

R-1.1 All competitions within Washington Youth Soccer will be played according to FIFA's Laws of the Game.

To see the current FIFA Laws of the Game click on the link below:

http://www.fifa.com/worldfootball/lawsofthegame.html

R-1.1.1 Per U.S. Youth Soccer recommendations, modifications to the Laws of the Game may be made for youth games.

To see the current modifications made by Washington Youth Soccer, click on the link below:

[Insert hyper-link here]

R-1.2 The Soccer Operations Committee is responsible for approving modifications to the Laws of the Game.

PROCEDURES

PROCEDURE #1 - RULES OF COMPETITION

PR-1.1 The Soccer Operations Committee will establish and submit for publication modifications to the Laws of the Game.

To see the current modifications made by Washington Youth Soccer, click on the link below:

[Insert hyper-link here]

- **PR-1.2** The Soccer Operations Committee shall review modifications related to the rules of competition at least annually to ensure that all procedures are current and still valid.
 - **PR-1.2.1** The Soccer Operations Committee may choose to delegate responsibilities for reviewing and recommending changes to a sub-committee.
 - **PR-1.2.2** Upon completion of the review, the Soccer Operations Committee will determine if any changes are needed.
- **PR-1.3** Changes to the modifications will follow the procedures established in the Structure section of these Operating Documents.

The current procedures for changing internal procedures can be found by clicking on the following link:

[Insert hyper-link here]

PR-1.4 Updated modifications will be published to the web site in a timely manner, generally within one (1) week after approval by the Soccer Operations Committee.