# COASTAL CLASSIC 2025 EXPLANATION OF LEVELS OF PLAY



## **OVERVIEW**

Our events draw teams from different parts of Canada and the USA. Different areas have different definitions for levels of play have different game formats. This can create confusion for teams looking to register. As a result, we have tried to provide information sheet to assist clubs with their placement at the time of registration.

#### **TIERS**

We are simplifying our registration by using tiers 1, 2, 3, and 4. These will take on slightly different meanings depending on the age. Please review your age group carefully to register and place your team correctly.

## **U9 TO U10**

These age groups are considered **SMALL SIDED**.

These age groups associate to the following birth years:

U9 = 2017 (7v7)

U10 = 2016 (7v7)

We will offer **one** level of play for these age groups. DEVELOPMENT

# **U11 TO U13**

U11 = 2015 (8v8)

U12 = 2014 (8v8)

U13 = 2013 (9v9)

We will offer **THREE** tiers of play in these age groups, as follows:

Tier 1 (top level development teams)

Tier 2 (mid-range development teams)

Tier 3 (lower range development teams or top recreational/house teams)

Per BC Soccer, starting in 2023, U13 will be played 9 v 9 and will be played on a smaller field and without scores or standings kept.

For those teams, who play in areas where they play 11v11, we will also these teams to register in U14 to accommodate their roster size and play the format that they are used to. In this case we would recommend that teams register in a lower level of play to account for the fact that they are playing older teams.

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# **U14 TO U18**

These age groups associate to the following birth years:

U14 = 2012

U15 = 2011

U16 = 2010

U17 = 2009

U18 = 2008

U19 = 2007

# THESE AGE GROUPS WILL ALL PLAY 11 V 11

We will offer FOUR tiers of play in these age groups, as follows:

**TIER 1** (Premier / top level of play in your area. In Vancouver this would be considered the BCSPL)

**TIER 2** (2nd level of play. In Vancouver this would be considered Metro for 2008 and older and Division 1 for 2009 - 2012.)

**TIER 3** (3rd level of play. In Vancouver this would be considered Division 1 for 2008 and older and Division 2 for 2009 - 2012.)

**TIER 4** (4th level of play. In Vancouver this would be considered Division 2 for 2008 and older and Division 3 for 2009 - 2012)

## **TIERS FOR THIS EVENT**

For this event the following Tiers will be available at each U14+ ages

**U14** - TIER 1 | TIER 2 | TIER 3

**U15 - U17** - TIER 2 | TIER 3

**U18 - U19** - TIER 2 | TIER 3 | TIER 4

## CONCLUSION

Please ensure the placement of your team is accurate at the time of registration. If you are unsure, please email us to assist.

The tournament will not be responsible if you register in the wrong age and/or level. We cannot promise that we can move your team later, if you register incorrectly