



**Allegan AYSO Region 575
Welcomes You:**

Allegan AYSO Halloween Classic Invitational

October 30-31, 2010

On behalf of Allegan AYSO Region 575 we would like to invite you to our annual event. It will be held at the Allegan Wellness & Sports Complex located at 1451 29th Street; Allegan, MI 49010. The entry deadline for this event is October 16th (please refer to the team registration form for additional information). Entries may be submitted either by mail or email.

All payments must be received with your entry to secure a spot (if you have registered your team and payment has not been received by October 16th; your spot will be awarded to the first team on the waiting list). All entries will be confirmed with an email and/or a phone call.

Division Players (Roster Birth Date on or before August 1st)

U-10 boys7 (per team).....max 10 players (per team)
U-10 girls.....7 (per team).....max 10 players (per team)
U-12 boys9 (per team).....max 15 players (per team)
U-12 girls.....9 (per team).....max 15 players (per team)
U-14 boys11 (per team).....max 15 players (per team)
U-14 girls.....11 (per team).....max 15 players (per team)
VIP Coed, short sided, Division limit to be announced

Coaches/Teams/Players

> There are openings for eight (8) teams in each division. Division sizes may be adjusted based on the number of entries received. Girls may participate on "Boys" teams, however, boys may not play on girls teams. Each team will play a minimum of three pool play games in a "Round-Robin" format (the schedule will be provided after the enrollment deadline). The top 4 teams (determined by points) from each division will advance to the championship round. Divisions that are full will be divided into two 4 team brackets with each team playing each team in its own bracket. Divisions that have more or less than 8 teams will be left as is and a random draw will decide the 3 games of pool play for each team. We will make every attempt to keep teams from the same region from playing each other until championship play. Each of the teams in the championship round will play two (2) games to determine their ranking from first to fourth. With the first seeded team playing the 4th and the 2nd and 3rd seeded teams playing in the semi finals. With the two winners playing in the championship game and the 2 losers playing in the consolation championship. Awards will be given to all players on your roster. Players on teams finishing 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th will receive an award indicating their accomplishment.

> Each team is limited to one (1) head coach and one (1) assistant coach. Coaches and their assistant may only coach their registered team with a completed and submitted roster. During games, coaches, their assistant and players are required to remain in the coach/team area. We cannot make schedule accommodations for coaches listed on more than one team.

> Each player must have a jersey that matches the rest of the team's players. This jersey should be the team's house AYSO uniform worn during their region season. It must have the AYSO logo on the front and player's number on the back. Sponsor's names may be present on the jersey per AYSO requirements. Goalies are required to have a shirt that distinguishes them from their teammates. Matching shorts and socks are required for all players on the team. ALL jerseys MUST have sleeves. All uniforms must be in compliance to AYSO Rules and Regulation and FIFA Laws of the Game.

> AYSO compliant shoes and shinguards must also be worn. AYSO regulations regarding jewelry, hair, hats, sliders and braces will be adhered to. Players with casts or splints may not participate.

> ALL AYSO Coaches MUST be AYSO Safe Haven Certified and are required to be trained (certified) in the age appropriate level at which they are coaching and each entry must have EAYSO volunteer certification included. All AYSO Coaches MUST be 18 years of age at the time of the invitational.

Registration

> Early registration may be limited to the first two (2) teams from a single region per division. This will help ensure multiple region representation within that division to provide participants the best experience from tournament play. After the early cut-off date, teams will be selected to fill out divisions on a first come-first served basis, based on the postmark of their entry and the number of teams currently enrolled (to ensure equal opportunity under the tournament rules, every attempt will be made to ensure an even number of entries for each division).

> The tournament will be operated under FIFA Laws of the Game and AYSO guidelines with modifications noted in the *Clarifications* area below.

> This tournament is open to all AYSO teams. To be eligible to participate, all players must meet the birth date criteria outlined in this packet. All players will be REQUIRED to present proof of age during team check-in. Players without proper proof of age will not be allowed to participate in the event. Proof of age must be one of the following items:

1. Official enrollment form for the current season (must be signed by parent or legal guardian)
2. Birth certificate (with official stamp and/or seal)
3. Valid student or state identification card (with photograph).

> All entries must be signed, where indicated by the Regional Commissioner, as a verification of team and player eligibility. Any entry form sent in without Regional Commissioner approval will not be accepted.

> Tournament Fees:

Early Registration (prior to October 1st.) \$250.00

Registration after this date is \$300.00

Checks must be a regional check.

Refund policy: if a team withdraws 30 days or more before the tournament, a refund is to be given. If a team withdraws at any time up until the tournament is played and its vacancy is filled with another team, a refund is to be given. A team that withdraws within 30 days of the tournament and for which no replacement team can be found will forfeit their tournament entry fee.

> Forms:

- 1). **Team Registration Form**
- 2). **Team Roster Form**
- 3). **Referee Sign-Up Form**
- 4). **Tee-Shirt Pre-Order Form**

Please ensure that all forms are completed and submitted **with your enrollment package** (a checklist has been provided for your reference). Incomplete entries will not be considered. Please submit the following forms and information with your package:

1. **Team Registration Form**
2. **Team Roster Form**

NO roster changes will be accepted after the team has been checked in **and/or** the team has started its first game. Please be sure to include the player's birth date and jersey number if you are able to do so. If the jersey number is not available at the time of entry, the jersey must be provided at initial registration / check-in. Each player must submit proof of age at the time of check in. This may consist of 1 of 3 things; a copy of the players individual registration form for the current season; official birth certificate (with seal); or a valid student identification card (with photo).

3. **Referee Information Form;** It cannot be stressed enough how much referees and other volunteers play in the outcome of this tournament. A referee form *must* be submitted with every team application to be considered (please indicate on the form if no referee will be provided).

4. **Payment:** a regional check made out to Allegan AYSO 575 for the entry fee of the tournament (fees are outlined on the sign-up documents described above and all applicable forms).

5. **Tee-Shirt Order Form:** Please complete and return this form (this is not required if you will not be purchasing tournament shirts). A check and/or money order, made out to Allegan AYSO 575, must be supplied for the tee-shirts.

Referees

> ALL AYSO Referees MUST be AYSO Safe Haven Certified.

> Center Referee Incentive:

We will provide a refund for each center referee provided by a team (\$50.00 for each referee and up to \$100.00/Team). The maximum refund, for a single team, is 2 center referees and each official MUST be willing to center referee a minimum of three games. We will make every attempt to prevent volunteers from refereeing a game scheduled at the same time as the team they are associated with or have a child participating in (please note on your entry form if your referees have any children playing and what teams they are playing on). Referees are preferred to be 18 years old and older; however, school enrolled teen applicants will be reviewed on a case-by case basis. All teams are encouraged to make every attempt to provide additional referees. Please Remember: if we are unable to secure enough volunteers, we will not be able to complete the tournament.

Sportsmanship

> Sportsmanship Award will be given at finalization of tournament.

Invitational Shirts

> We will be offering tournament tee-shirts for this event (please refer to the order form included in this package). If your team and/or family members are interested, please complete and return the order form with your team entry. Tee-shirts will be available for pre-order sales in adult small through adult 3XL. Pre-ordered shirts will be \$12.00 each. Extra shirts will be available for purchase at the tournament, for \$15.00 and Sweatshirts will be \$25.00 each on a first-come, first-serve basis. However, to ensure you and/or your team receives a shirt, please pre-order them on the form provided.

Clarifications

1. There will be **slide tackling** allowed for all age divisions. However, if done incorrectly, it will be considered a penal foul and treated accordingly. If it occurs in the penalty area it will result in a penalty kick.
2. It will be our intent to have all pool play finished Saturday evening. There are however many factors that can come into play and could prevent this.
3. It will also be our intent to not play Friday evening. But we do reserve the right to use that date if needed.
4. Allegan AYSO reserves the right to play games on secondary fields away from the sports complex. We will keep all fields that we use within several miles. It is once again our intent to not have to do this, but size of event and weather may make it necessary.
5. The top 4 teams from each division advance to championship play. For divisions that are broken into brackets; the top 2 from each bracket advance. In divisions that are left whole due to size, the top 4 teams from the division will advance. With teams being seeded 1 through 4 using tie breakers if needed.
6. Ties are allowed in pool play. Teams winning games will be awarded 3 points. Teams tying games will be awarded 1 point. There are no earned points for a loss. However, teams having a player or a coach sent off the field of play will have a team point deducted from their final point total. That player or coach will also serve a 2 game suspension following the send off.
7. Tie breakers:
 - i. Head to head
 - ii. Goals against
 - iii. 10 minute Overtime. (Match format) Not golden goal. NO sudden death.
 - iv. Second 10 minute Overtime. (Match format) Not golden goal. NO sudden death.
 - v. 5 v 5 shootout. Shoot out will be repeated until a victory has been awarded. All players on each team must take a shot before any player takes a second.
8. All players on roster and present at game must play at least 50% of the game.
9. All weather related issues will be game time decisions.
10. EMS services will be available to the complex during the tournament.
11. It is sometimes necessary to give teams an additional game in situations where divisions have an odd number of teams. In divisions that have odd numbered teams, all teams will be awarded a number based on their registration and a number will be placed in a hat and randomly drawn. The team selected will be given the 4th game. The teams required to play the 4th game in pool play will, by random draw, choose a number between 1 and 4. That number will select the game that they drop from their point total. With 1 being their first played game and 4 being their last played, etc...

On behalf of Allegan AYSO Region 575, we would like to thank-you for considering our event and look forward to your participation. When we work together, the players will benefit from the experience of a successful tournament event. Please feel free to contact the tournament director with any questions or concerns you may have or if you require any additional information or details regarding the tournament.

Please Note: Any questions or concerns after the registration date must be submitted in writing or verbally (no email questions after this point).

Mail completed packets to the Tournament Director:

Jeff Herpst, 423 Wise St., Hopkins, MI 49328
(269) 303-4048 or enragedmonk@yahoo.com



1). **Team Registration Form**

Division (please circle one-coaches with multiple teams must submit a form for each team)

U10 Boys U10 Girls U12 Boys U12 Girls U14 Boys U14 Girls

Please Note: each team registration form must be accompanied by a completed team roster form and referee sign up form.

Team Name:

Team Sponsor (if any):

Coach: _____ Asst.Coach: _____

Current Level of Certification:

ALL coaches are required to be trained (certified) in the age appropriate level at which they are coaching and each entry must have EAYSO volunteer certification included.

Coach Information:

Name (first, last):

Email Address: _____

Street Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Please Note:

The entry deadline for this event is October 16th. Entries cannot be accepted unless submitted with the team registration form, team roster form, and referee sign-up form. Entries may be submitted either in hard copy form or electronically. **All payments must be received with your entry to secure a spot** (electronic entries to be accompanied by a copied image of the entry payment). Make checks payable to: **Allegan AYSO 575**. Checks must be a regional check.



2). Team Roster Form

Division (please circle one-coaches with multiple teams must submit a form for each team)

U10 Boys U10 Girls U12 Boys U12 Girls U14 Boys U14 Girls

Team Name: _____

Coach: _____ Asst. Coach: _____

ALL coaches are required to be trained (certified) in the age appropriate level at which they are coaching and each entry must have EAYSO volunteer certification included.

Player Name	Jersey #	Birth Date
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Coach Signature: _____ Date: _____

Regional Commissioner Signature: _____ Date: _____



3). Referee Sign-Up Form

Referee Information:

Name (first, last):

Email Address: _____

Street Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Current Level of Certification:

Number of Games I am committing to Referee: _____

I am 18 or older _____

Team / Coach Affiliation:

I have a child playing on _____ (team)

in the _____ (division).

Additional Information and/or Notes:

Please check here if you will NOT be providing a referee for the tournament:



4). Tee-Shirt Pre-Order Form

If your team and/or family members are interested in ordering early, please complete this form with your entry packet. Shirts will also be available for purchase at the tournament.

We currently are working on the picture, and will e-mail it to any teams or family members interested in seeing it ahead of time.

Adult Small \$12.00 each Qty. _____
Extended Price: _____

Adult Medium \$12.00 each Qty. _____
Extended Price: _____

Adult Large \$12.00 each Qty. _____
Extended Price: _____

Adult XL \$12.00 each Qty. _____
Extended Price: _____

Adult XXL \$12.00 each Qty. _____
Extended Price: _____

Adult XXXL \$12.00 each Qty. _____
Extended Price: _____

Total Number of Shirts: _____

Total Price: _____

Make checks Payable to Allegan AYSO Region 575.