FIFA Champions League Rules

ALL PLAYERS MUST HAVE THEIR UMBC “RED CARD” AT EVERY GAME TO PLAY!

The Game: will consist of two 4-minute halves with a winner being determined in regular time, extra time, or penalty kicks.

Gameplay:
1. All teams used must be league teams, no international squads
2. Participants may use the same team against each other in a match

Overtime: If a match is tied at the end of regulation, the extra-time period will be “Golden Goal”, meaning that the first team to score will win the match. If after the two extra-time periods the score is still tied, the game will go to a PK shootout.

Mercy Rule: A 5-goal lead at any point in the match will result in the match being declared over via the Mercy Rule.

Point System: Participants will earn points throughout the Regular Season to qualify for the postseason “Tournament of Champions”. Ways to earn points are listed below.

- 1 point for pre-registering through DSE (participants only receive this point if they participate in the event).
  - NOTE: registration closes the day before each event
- 1 point for participating in an event
- 10 points for Winning a Tournament
- 7 points for 2nd place finish
- 3 points for reaching semi-finals (top 4 finish)

Tournament of Champions: After the 12 tournament regular season there will be a postseason tournament called the “Tournament of Champions” that will consist of the top 16 participants from the Regular Season.

Ways to qualify for the “Tournament of Champions”

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1. **Automatic Bid:** To receive an automatic bid a participant must win a tournament in the Regular Season.

2. **At-Large Bid:** At large bids will be granted to the participants with the most points earned throughout the Regular Season that did not win a tournament. For participants who have earned the same number of points throughout the semester we will utilize the following tie breakers:
   a. Most tournaments participated in
   b. Most runner ups
   c. Most top 4 finishes
   d. Coin toss

**Prizes:**
- Winners of a REGULAR SEASON tournament will receive an Intramural Championship T-Shirt
- Qualifiers for the “Tournament of Champions” will receive a special edition “Tournament of Champions” T-Shirt
- 1st and 2nd place finishers in the “Tournament of Champions” will receive a prize pack including various gift cards that will be announced at a later date

**Additional Notes:**
- All contests will take place in RAC 220
- All contests (including Tournament of Champions) will be single elimination
- All qualifying players, including tournament winners will be seeded for Tournament of Champions according to total points accumulated throughout the 12 tournament regular season
- There will be a five-minute grace period given to participants who do not show up on time for their match. After the five-minute grace period, the vacant participant will forfeit their match
- We will accept no more than 32 entrants into each of the 12 league tournaments
- All participants are required to abide by all university and intramural policies with regards to appropriate conduct and sportsmanship. Failure to do so may result in your removal from any individual event or the FIFA Champions League/Tournament of Champions as a whole

All questions should be directed to the event supervisor or:

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