🔇 COPAFEST Men's TST-Style 5v5 Tournament – FAQ

October 31 - November 2, 2025 | COPA STC Turf Arena | Walnut Creek, CA

💧 \$3,000+ in cash prizes | Official TST format | Only 32 teams allowed!

REGISTRATION & TEAM INFO

Q: Who can play?

A: This is an **amateur adult tournament** (18+). Players under pro contracts are not eligible.

Q: How do I register?

A: Create an account and register via the **DaySmart app**. A **\$100 deposit** holds your spot.

Team Fee: \$850 (\$800 early bird before Oct 1)

Q: What's the roster size?

A: Max 14 players per team. All players, coaches, and managers must be rostered.

Q: Can players switch teams?

A: No. Players are locked to one team. No double rostering allowed.

Q: What does each player need to check in?

- Valid **photo ID** (passport, driver's license, etc.)
- Must arrive 30 minutes before game time
- Will receive a wristband at check-in

M GAME FORMAT & RULES

Q: What is TST-style play?

A: After regulation time (2 x 15-minute halves), games go to Target Score Time™:

- Target = 1 goal more than the leading score
- If tied: next goal wins
- Every 2 minutes, 1 player per team is removed (down to 2v2 max)
- · Game ends immediately once target is reached
- A keeper must stay on the field and MUST be defined

Q: What are other key rules?

- No slide tackles (automatic card)
- No offsides
- Kick-ins only (no throw-ins)
- Flat indoor/turf shoes only No cleats allowed
- Size 4 futsal ball used
- Substitutions are "on the fly"
- Goalkeepers must throw goal kicks and cannot punt or drop-kick

Q: What happens if a team fouls too much?

• 6th team foul in a half = Penalty Kick for the opponent

Each foul after the 5th results in a PK

Q: What's the card policy?

- 2 yellows = red
- Red card = suspension + team plays down for 2 minutes or until opponent scores
- 3 yellow cards in group stage = suspension for next match

PRIZES & FORMAT

Q: What's the prize structure?

• **8–15 teams:** \$2,400 (1st), \$600 (2nd)

• **16–32 teams:** \$3,200 (1st), \$1,600 (2nd)

Q: How many games are guaranteed?

A: **3-game minimum** (Group Stage), with top teams advancing to **Knockout Rounds**.

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

- III Oct 31 & Nov 1: Group Stage & Knockouts
- III Nov 2: Quarterfinals, Semifinals & Final
- Games start on the hour warm-ups based on field availability
- P Location: COPA STC Turf Arena, Walnut Creek, CA

TUNIFORMS & EQUIPMENT

- Matching jerseys with visible numbers required
- Bring two jersey colors (recommended)
- Shin guards are mandatory
- Goalkeepers must wear distinct colors
- NO CLEATS indoor or turf shoes only

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Q: Where can I get updates or ask questions?

- Website: www.copastc.com/adult-soccer-leagues
- Instagram: @copaeastbay
- Email: play.wc@copastc.com