



2009 West Florida Turkey Bowl – “Battle of The Beaches”
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Tournament Rules

Proof of Age

1. The Florida Turkey Bowl Staff must have access to the “team book” for each registered team. A certified copy of the birth certificate on file bearing the seal of the issuing office of the state of birth must be turned in for each player. Passports, military ID cards, adoption papers will be accepted.
2. A photograph of the player taken within the last six months must be turned in with the certified birth verification.
3. A player must have participated in your league at their respective age to play in this tournament. Proof from your league in the form of contract or other league identification is required before play begins and will be strictly enforced.

Weight Divisions – Age as of August 31, 2009

1. 7-8 yr olds – 95lbs
2. 9-10 yr olds – 115lbs *see play down rule
3. 11-12 yr olds - 140lbs *see play down rule
4. 13-14 yr olds – 170lbs

Play Down Rule

1. The 9-10 year old team may have a 11-year-old play down. Each “play down” must not weigh more than 95lbs, and must not be older than league age 11.
2. The 11-12 year old team may have a 13-year-old play down. Each “play down” must not weigh more than 115lbs, and must not be older than league age 13

Weigh In

1. Players will be weighed in no later than 30 minutes prior to their first game.
2. Only the initial weigh in will be required.

Game Procedure

1. The game will be governed by Florida State High School rules.
<http://www.fhsaa.org/fb/manual/>
2. The game will consist of (4) equal (8) minute quarters.
2. Teams will need to report to the playing field 30 minutes prior to kickoff.
3. It is preferred the team designated as the visiting team provide a chain crew.
4. Running clock will be utilized in any game in which a team is behind by 30 points. Tournament officials would prefer the score does not get out of control.
5. Extra points: 2 points for kicks and 1 point for a pass or run across the goal line.

Tie Games

1. If a tie ball game occurs at the end of regulation play, each team will be given a 4 down offensive series with the ball placed on the 10-yard line. The team with the highest score, after each has had a 4 down series will win the ball game.
2. The ball will go to the defensive team if they intercept or recover a fumble, during the oppositions 4 down series.

Tournament Conduct

1. There will be no tobacco products or alcohol consumption use on the sidelines, before, during or after the games. Violators will be ejected from the playing fields.
2. Persons found to be under the influence of drugs or alcohol will be ejected from the tournament and will not be allowed to return to the tournament facilities.
3. Players, coaches or spectators ejected by a referee, tournament official or tournament security, will be ejected for the remainder of the tournament. **NO EXCEPTIONS!**
4. The use of ineligible players will not be tolerated. Head coaches are responsible for their team actions. Including players and fans.
5. Players may only participate in one age and weight division. Once registered for a particular division, no switching or changing will be allowed.

Game Ball

1. The 7-8 year old division will use the Wilson K-2 or it's equivalent.
2. The 9-10 year old division will use the Wilson TDY balls or it's equivalent.
3. The 11-12 year old division will use the Wilson TDY balls or it's equivalent.
4. The 13-14 year old division will use the Wilson TDJ football or it's equivalent.

Required Equipment

1. NOCSAE certified helmet
2. Shoulder PADS
3. Hip and Butt pads
4. Thigh pads
5. Knee pads
6. Football Pants
7. Jersey
8. Mouth Guard

9. Athletic supporter
10. Detachable or non-detachable molded rubber cleats
11. No metal cleats are allowed in the Florida Turkey Bowl Tournament

Release and Waiver Form

The Florida Turkey Bowl Release and waiver form must be signed and dated, by each player's legal guardian, prior to participating in the Florida Turkey Bowl Tournament.