



2018

## 2018 Coastal Cup Plans and Dates [www.bccoastalcup.com](http://www.bccoastalcup.com)

1. **Coastal Cup 2018** is the qualification tournament for the Provincial A Cup and B Cup Championships. As in recent years, BC Soccer provides governance and funding, and manages the Championship Finals, including trophies and medals. The playdowns are managed by the Coastal Cup Committee of Lower Mainland league schedulers and representatives from Vancouver Island, the Finals LOC and BC Soccer.
2. **Schedules, Draw, Finals** The draws will be completed on Tuesday March 6<sup>th</sup> 2018 after league play is completed. Check the web-site for information. After successfully hosting the Coastal Cup Finals from 2015 to 2017, Aldergrove Youth Soccer Club has very kindly agreed to host the 2018 Finals at Aldergrove Athletic Park.
3. **Competition Format** (Largely unchanged)
  - a. Boys and Girls A Cup: The Island has two berths in the Round of 16, the Mainland has 14.
  - b. Boys and Girls B Cup: The Mainland teams in the "Round of 16" will be made up of the eight district champions plus four 'wild cards' to be determined at their discretion by the mainland leagues/districts. Two teams from Vancouver Island will enter at the Quarter-Finals.
  - c. As in 2017, teams will be able to use game-day permits in Coastal Cup games to replace missing players, subject to the conditions in the Coastal Cup Rules. See Coastal Cup website for details and Permit Form.
4. **Timing of 2018 Coastal Cup** The earlier Easter this year means school Spring Breaks take place in late March. The "Round of 16" starts immediately after Easter/Spring Breaks.
5. **Other Points**
  - a. The CSA "Soccer for Life" coaching certification is **MANDATORY** for Coastal and Provincial Cup. Teams cannot enter or take part in Coastal Cup unless the Head Coach has completed the "Soccer for Life" or a higher (A, B or C Licence or above) course.
  - b. Teams entering Coastal Cup are entering the Provincial A and B Cup, and by entering, teams are committing to compete in the Provincial Cup Finals.
  - c. The Provincial A and B Cup Championships will be held on July 5<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018.
  - d. BC Soccer's support for Coastal Cup includes a hosting grant for the Finals to cover the event, the programs, and grants to each district to cover referee costs for all playdown and final games. Grants total over \$32,000.

Weekend	Coastal Cup Stage
<b>Tues March 6<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>DRAWS</b>
By March 24 - 25	Any Prelim Round Games
<i>Mar 30 – Apr 1</i>	<i>Easter</i>
April 6 – 8	Round of 16
April 13 – 15	Quarter-Finals
April 20 -22	Semi-Finals
May 5-6	Finals
<i>July 5 - 8</i>	<i>Provincial A &amp; B Cup Finals</i>

2018 Youth Provincial Cup	Location
Boys B Cup (Les Sinnott)	Burnaby
Girls B Cup	Kamloops
Girls and Boys A Cup	Richmond

December 18<sup>th</sup> 2017