



# OTTAWA CARLETON SOCCER LEAGUE

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## OFFICIAL PROTEST FORM

### CLUB/TEAM INFORMATION

Club Name:

Category/Division:

Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_ vs.

Coach's Name:

Game Date:

PROTEST REPORTED VERBALLY ON (WITHIN 24 HOURS OF THE GAME):

PROTEST DATE (MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN 72 HOURS OF THE GAME):

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### PROTEST INFORMATION (Please use additional paper or reverse if necessary)

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

PRESENT SITUATION:

SPECIFIC DECISION REQUESTED:

CLUB EXECUTIVE:

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NAME (PLEASE PRINT)

SIGNATURE

TITLE

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**FOR OFFICE USE ONLY**

LEAGUE MANAGEMENT BOARD DECISION:

CHAIR: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE:

SECRETARY: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE:

## XXIV PROTESTS

1. A Protest Panel shall hear all protests arising out of any game within the OCSL. The Protest Panel shall consist of at least three (3) members of the LMB and/or Discipline Panel.
2. The Protest Panel will deal only with matters raised in the Protest. Any other issues that arise (eg. Discipline) will have to be dealt with at subsequent hearings as may be necessary.
3. Failure to meet the following submission requirements will result in the protest being disqualified.
  - a. Protest fee shall be \$50.00 and must accompany any protest.
  - b. Intention to file a protest shall be recorded within 24 hours of the game to which it relates by phoning the OCSL office, at its current telephone number, leaving all pertinent details. Notice of intention to protest may also be filed by fax and/or email within the specified 24 hours.
  - c. The written protest must be filed on the official protest form, counter-signed by a Club official, and addressed to the OCSL Secretary c/o OCSL office at its current office.
  - d. The written protest must be received at the OCSL office by recorded delivery (ie. registered mail, hand delivery, courier, etc.) within three (3) working days of the game in question. The stipulated protest fee must accompany the written protest.
  - e. The protesting team must send a copy of the written protest (by recorded delivery) to its opponent in the game being protested within three (3) working days. A copy of the receipt from the recorded delivery must be submitted (with the written protest) as proof that this requirement has been met.
  - f. No responsibility shall be assumed by the LMB for protests not received within the specified time period unless they are sent by registered mail.
  - g. Successful protests will be refunded the protest fee, while those which are denied will lead to forfeiture of the fee.
4. Any protests relating to the grounds, goal posts, crossbars, ball, colours or other appurtenances of the game shall not be entertained unless notice of complaint was lodged with the referee prior to the game or at the time it was discovered during the game. The referee shall record details of the complaint on the game report immediately upon being informed. The referee shall require that the cause of the objection be rectified by the team responsible (or by the teams) if this can be accomplished without unduly delaying the game. The referee may abandon the game if rectification is not possible and to continue would, in his/her opinion, be dangerous or otherwise unfeasible.
5. The decision by the Protest Panel on a protest may only be overturned by appeal to the EODSA or higher body in accordance with that body's rules.
6. In the event that the OCSL or a higher governing body takes discipline action (charges with a misconduct) which pertains to the matter being protested, and the accused does not attend the hearing, the Protest Panel shall make a decision based on the information provided in the written protest and information provided at the Protest meeting.