

2023 SUN BOWL FLAG FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

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1. Divisions

This is an invitational tournament with the following divisions: **Men's:** A – Competitive Division, B – Intermediate Division, C – Recreational Division, D – Family & Friends Division, **Women's:** A – Competitive Division, **Coed:** C – Recreational Division

2. Application Fee & Deadline

Entry deadline is July 31 or until a bracket is full. All entry fees are \$300 which includes all referee fees.

3. Online Registration

You can register by visiting www.sunbowl.org

4. Awards & T-Shirts

All participants will receive a tournament t-shirt. First place teams will receive a tournament trophy. **a.** The winner of the Men's A – Competitive Division & Women's A – Competitive Division will receive a money payout. Monetary prizes awarded will be based on the size of the bracket: up to 16 teams will receive a \$2,500 payout and 32 teams+ bracket will receive a \$4,000 payout.

b. The winner of the Men's B – Intermediate Division, Men's C – Recreations Division Men's D - Family & Friends Division and Coed C –Recreational Division will receive a \$1,000 payout.

5. Roster Size

All Divisions will be allowed to have a maximum roster of 15. All players must be 18 years or older.

6. Tournament Referees

Tournament referees will be provided by the Southwest Flag Football League Referees Association. All referees are trained and certified to referee adult flag football.

7. Location of Sun Bowl Flag Football Tournament

Westside Sports Complex at 201 Isela Rubalcava Boulevard, El Paso, Texas 79932

8. Discount hotel accommodation

Visit www.sunbowl.org

9. Should a player, captain or teams' spectator get ejected

A player, captain or teams' spectator that is ejected must leave the complex and may not captain or communicate with the team in any manner for the remainder of the current game. A participant that is guilty of fighting will be suspended for the remainder of the tournament. There is a zero-tolerance policy for referee abuse or assault from players, captain and spectators. Individuals who violate this rule will be removed from the tournament venue.

10. Forfeits

Game time is forfeit time, unless unforeseen circumstances occur. The tournament director will make the final decision regarding all forfeits. The minimum number of players required to field a team is 6. A game that is forfeited will be scored 7-0.

11. **Captain's Responsibilities**

The entire team must check-in at the field with the referee 15 minutes prior to their game. All player photo id's will be verified by the referee. Captains are responsible for team preparation to play at the scheduled time, being on the correct field, for their own substitutions, and for the conduct of their players and spectators, at all times. Tobacco, alcoholic beverages, verbal and physical abuse is strictly prohibited. All captains, players, and spectators are subject to removal from the complex for any of these violations. Captains are responsible for cleaning their sidelines. Trash bags will be provided the day of the event and captains must clean their area immediately following their game.

12. **Home Team**

Home team will be listed second on the schedule and will take the north or westside of the field.

13. **Jersey color conflicts, player id's & uniforms**

A. Home team is responsible to change jerseys on request of the referee.

B. Picture identification cards are to be presented to the referee prior to each game at assigned field.

C. Each player must have a visible numbered jersey that matches the jersey number on the roster. There should be NO duplicate jersey numbers.

14. **Protests and Disputes**

Decisions by field officials (Referee) are FINAL. Protests and disputes will be allowed for questions of player eligibility and tournament rules. All protests must be filed by the captain in writing within the first half of your game. A protest form can be obtained at the tournament headquarters. A \$100 (cash ONLY) protest fee will be required (refundable if protest is won). The protest/dispute will be reviewed by the tournament director and the decision will be final.

15. **An individual player can play on only one gender specific team and one coed team.**

Any player violating this rule will be removed from the tournament and all games played with both teams will be forfeited.

16. **Tobacco, alcoholic beverages, verbal and physical abuse is strictly prohibited. All captains, players, and spectators are subject to removal from the complex for any of these violations.**

17. **Cancellation and Tournament Changes**

The tournament director reserves the right to make the following changes in the event of inclement weather or other disruptions beyond the control of the tournament staff: 1. Relocate and/or reschedule a game, 2. Reduce scheduled duration of a game, 3. Cancel a game, 4. Cancel the remainder of the tournament. The Sun Bowl Association, Southwest Flag Football League or any other sponsors associated with the tournament shall not be held responsible for expenses incurred by any team or club if the tournament is cancelled, in part or in whole. In the event of inclement weather, the tournament director will make a final decision concerning the completion of the tournament in a safe and fair manner. If the tournament is cancelled prior to August 1, all entry fees will be refunded within one month.