



American Youth Soccer Organization 2019 National Games, Hawaii'i



OPENING CEREMONY & PARADE OF TEAMS UPDATE - JUNE 21, 2019

Reminder, the AYSO National Games 2019 (NG19) Opening Ceremony and PARADE of TEAMS is scheduled for July 1, 2019 (Monday), starting at 5:30 PM at the Waipio Peninsula Soccer Park Stadium. We anticipate the participation of over 2,500 players and coaches, 200-plus referees, as well as VIP players.

Staging of teams for the parade will begin at 4:00 PM on Fields 6 and 7. Teams will enter the stadium from Fields 6 and 7 as shown on the Parade Map. Teams will enter the stadium in the following order: Sections 1, 10, 11, 2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 14, 7, followed by VIP and Referees.

State banners will identify team locations during staging – Arizona, California, Oregon, etc. VIP players will be staged within the stadium area and follow a modified parade route. (The NG19 VIP Coordinator will coordinate this activity with VIP team coaches, volunteers and supporters). Parade committee personnel on Fields 6 and 7 will be present to assist teams in locating their staging locations and parade order into the Stadium.

Teams are encouraged to prepare a banner and wear their game jerseys to help identify them during staging and the parade. However, banners are NOT required and have NO bearing on a team's final standing or accumulation of points.

Shin guards and/or soccer cleats are NOT recommended, but footwear (i.e., shoes, slippers, etc.) MUST be worn.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

1. Due to the length of this event (approx. 4 hours), food/refreshments will be available for purchase from our food vendors adjacent to Field 7. All food and drinks, EXCEPT water, must be consumed prior to the start of the parade. Our stadium use permit only allows water on the stadium field for drinking purposes.
2. Canopies, even if NOT anchored with spikes, stakes, weights, etc. shall NOT BE ALLOWED ON playing Fields 6, 7, 8 and the Stadium. Spikes, stakes, nails, pins, etc. shall NOT be allowed on playing fields. Canopies anchored with spikes, stakes, etc. are allowed only on the outskirts of playing fields. The use of golf umbrellas is encouraged in lieu of canopies.
3. One adult OTHER THAN the Head Coach should accompany the team to the respective staging location. This individual will fill-in a team Identification Card and submit to the parade committee prior to entering the stadium. Information on the card will include Section, Area, Region, Team Name, City, State, Age Group and Gender. The Master of Ceremony (MC) will use the information on the card to introduce each team.

Coaches and Referees will be participating in their mandatory meeting/orientation near Field 5 until approximately 5:00 PM before joining their teams at the parade staging area. It is therefore extremely important for at least one responsible adult to stay with the team during staging.

Entry of teams into the Stadium will begin at 5:30. The formal program will end at approximately 8:00 PM. **It will be extremely dark in field and parking areas, so bring a flashlight or use the one on your smartphone to help light your way to your vehicle.**

Questions about the parade? Contact Kent Goya via e-mail at 808.ksg@gmail.com. Please also visit NG19 website at www.aysonationalgames.org for more information, a schedule of events and important updates.



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