

# Top 9 Reasons to Play SOCCER (Football)

- **1.** Meet and mingle with 10,000 athletes and artists at the world's largest sporting event open to all
- 2. Be one of 300-plus soccer competitors expected
- **3.** Watch other matches in between your games at GG9-dedicated soccer venue
- 4. Ride GG9-provided transportation from central points
- Compete at the last Gay Games in North America until at least 2022
- **6.** Rock out the Closing Ceremony at Rock and Roll Hall of Fame
- 7. Enjoy the National Hamburger Festival, Indigo Girls and other fun festivities in Akron area
- **B.** Join biggest LGBT sports party held every 4 years
- Teach the sports world a lesson in inclusion on welcoming fields!

Register today! WWW.GG9CLE.com



## Soccer (Football) FAQ

#### When?

Games Week: 9-16 August 2014 Soccer: 10-15 August 2014 between 8 a.m. and 7 p.m.

#### Where?

Copley Road Fields in Akron

#### What about transportation?

The Gay Games is planning to provide transportation from a central location in Akron to Copley Road Fields. GG9-provided shuttle service between Cleveland and Akron will be available too.

#### How will the tournament be run?

Each 11-a-side team must have a minimum of 11 and a maximum of 18 players. Each 7-a-side team must have a minimum of 7 and a maximum of 13 players. Each team may have up to 3 non-playing coaches.

The Gay Games 9 soccer/football tournament is also the 2014 IGLFA World Championships XXI, with players from around the world participating in this tournament.

#### What are the rules?

Soccer will be played in accordance with the Federation Internationale de Football Association (FIFA) and in combination with the Tournament rules of the International Gay and Lesbian Football Association (IGLFA).

#### How does a team register?

The team captain registers the team through **GG9CLE.com/registration** by creating a Team Code that can be shared with all prospective teammates. A team member must use that code when he or she completes the general and soccer registration process or return to the site later to add the team code.

General registration is \$195 per participant before 31 May 2014. Upon completion, each participant can register for a specific sport. The fee for soccer is \$80 before 15 January 2014 and increases to \$90 on 15 January.

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#### Divisions

#### **MEN (mixed)**

Division 1 Competitive (11-a-side) Division 2 Recreational (11-a-side)

#### WOMEN

Division 1 Competitive (11-a-side) Division 2 Recreational (7-a-side)

**Parameters:** All clubs must be current members of the IGLFA effective the new fiscal year of 1 April 2014 - 31 March 2015, are paid in full to Gay Games and must be in good standing.

Participants may compete on only one team.

Medals will be awarded to the top three teams in each gender's division.

All teams must be current members of the IGLFA in the year of the tournament. Further information on IGLFA membership can be obtained from writing to treasurer@iglfa.org.