



REGISTRATION RULES & GUIDELINES

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Rule 1. Fees

All fees associated with the registration of players, coaches and managers shall be determined by the board of directors during the annual budget approval process.

Non-payment of Fees

No player / team may participate in any IYSA-sanctioned event if such player / team fails to pay (or make arrangements for payments satisfactory to IYSA), any fees, dues, travel expenses or other amounts payable by such teams / players to IYSA or any of its state sanctioned programs.

Rule 2. Member Responsibilities

Each member shall be responsible for insuring proper registration of the players and coaches, affiliation of the teams and proper accounting of fiscal transactions.

Member Registrar

Each member organization must appoint a registrar and notify IYSA. Registrars are responsible for ensuring that all players are registered with IYSA in accordance to the rules and regulations of the association.

The member registrar will be responsible for submitting the player and team information to the IYSA registrar. Method of submission will be determined by the IYSA Registrar prior to each seasonal year.

Improper Registration

Any team using a player who is over-age or who is improperly entered on the team's roster without permission of IYSA shall be subject to investigation by IYSA and may face disciplinary action by the member organization and/or board of directors of this association.

Rule 3. General Registration Rules

Player Commitment

A player is considered committed for an entire seasonal year to a member organization when;

- a) The player's parents/guardians have signed the registration paperwork with the member organization
- and**
- b) The player information has been submitted and accepted by IYSA.

A committed player may not play for another member organization unless

- a) They have permission from their registered member organization
- b) They are granted a release
- b) They are granted a transfer (The player cannot play in State Cup during that seasonal year for their new club.)
- c) The member organization does not have a team at the player's true age group and the player does not want to play-up (see play-up section).

Member organizations, clubs or teams shall provide players and the parents or guardians of players with information regarding the restrictions on changing affiliates, clubs or team's registration during the Seasonal year. This information shall be clearly indicated on the registration or commitment form or an attached document.

Residency

A player must register in the state in which he or she resides with his or her parent(s) or guardian(s), or in the case of a student in residence at a boarding school, college or university, the player may register in the state in which the boarding school, college, or division of the college or university is located. Any other questions of residency may be determined by IYSA.

Insurance

All players registered with IYSA are covered by the association's secondary medical insurance providing that the player has other primary coverage in place. Any player that does not have other primary coverage will not be entitled to the secondary coverage. The cost of insurance (liability and medical) is set by the insurance company each year. Therefore, an increase or decrease in costs may be passed directly on to the IYSA member organizations.

Medical Release Form

All players are required to submit a properly completed medical release form to their member organization.

Deadlines

All registration fees, forms and team rosters must be submitted by the deadlines to avoid any delays and possible late charges.

Names

Players must use their first and last name as it appears on their proof-of-age document on all registration materials.

Proof-of-Age

Proof-of-Age shall consist of any one of the following: a birth certificate, a uniform services identification and privilege card (DD Form 1173) issued by the uniformed services of the United States or birth registration issued by an appropriate government agency, board of Health Records, passport, alien registration card (green card) issued by the United States government, a certificate issued by the Immigration and Naturalization Service attested to age or a certification of an American citizen born abroad issued by the appropriate government agency. A birth certificate from a foreign country must be accompanied by a notarized English translation. The translator's qualification must be attached. Hospital, baptismal or religious certificates will not be accepted. Any player may be called upon to prove his/her legal age by the Board of Directors, the Registrar, the District Commissioner or the Member President.

Player Age Designation

A Player's age designation shall be designated per the current registration age chart. A copy of the current chart can be found on the IYSA website.

Team Age Designation

A team shall be designated as being of the age of the oldest player on the roster.

Gender Designation of Teams

IYSA recognizes the following types of teams

1. Girls' Teams are teams with females only.
2. Boys' Teams are teams with males only.
3. Coed Teams are teams with both males and females and shall be considered a Boys' team for any sanctioned league or competition.

Playing Level Designation

IYSA recognizes the following levels of teams / players

- 1) Competitive –
 - a. Teams formed through a tryout process
 - b. Players must be registered as a competitive player to be on a competitive team roster
 - c. Players receive no guaranteed play time
 - d. Teams / Players may compete in State Cup and any in or out of state US Soccer member sanctioned event

- 2) Recreation –
 - a. Teams not formed through a tryout process
 - b. Players must be registered as a recreational player to be on a recreational team roster
 - c. Teams may not compete in a competitive-only designated event.
 - d. Players should receive approximately equal playing time unless of discipline issues.
 - e. Teams / Players may not compete in State Cup
 - f. Teams may not compete out of State without written permission from IYSA

Play-Up's

- 1) A player U14 or below may register to a team competing in an age group up to two (2) years higher.
- 2) A player U15 or above may register to a team competing in any higher age group.
- 3) A player's parent must consent to the player's registering to a team competing in any higher age group. Such consent is implied if the parent registers online, and no special form is required in such case.

Play up exception: Players wishing to play up more than what is stated may do so under the following guidelines/procedures:

- 1) Player is in good standing.
- 2) Recommendation from the Member Organization DOC, Technical Director or President.
- 3) Final Approval from the IYSA Technical Director

Play-Downs

Players may not be play-down on a team lower than their age of designation without the permission of the IYSA Technical Director or as allowed by an event rule of competition.

Multiple Rostering

If permitted under club, league or member rules, and subject to state cup rules, a player may be rostered on a maximum of two IYSA teams within the same club if the teams are in different leagues and subject to any overriding tournament or league restrictive rules.

A competitive or recreational player may not be registered with more than one club at any given time during the seasonal year however a player wishing to participate in an internal recreation league for one club and a competitive team with another club may do so with the permission of both clubs.

A player registered with IYSA may also be registered with and/or play with another organized youth soccer association, e.g. AYSO.

Coach Registration

As part of the Athlete and Participant Safety Policy coaches, managers, referees and volunteers, will need to submit an online or paper Volunteer Registration Disclosure Form (VRD) to IYSA. This form must be completed and submitted every year. Although a background check will be done every two years, there will be random checks done every year. Coaches must also comply with the current concussion education policy.

In order to comply with Safe Sport Authorization Act, all coaches, managers, referees and volunteers who have regular one-on-one interaction with players will be required to complete the SafeSport training (Approx. 90 minutes). Every 12 months they will also be required to complete the refresher course (Approx. 30 minutes).

The Poaching of Players

Please refer to the Poaching Policy on the IYSA Website

Release of Player

A coach shall be permitted to release a player from his/her own team roster only under special circumstances and must have permission of the member organization president, or technical director examples include but are not limited to

Moving away from the area

Repeated unexcused absences from practice sessions and/or games

Repeated ungentlemanly or unladylike conduct at practice sessions

Non-Payment of fees

Transfers

Any player committing to an organization is considered registered with that organization for the entire seasonal year unless granted a release or transfer by that organization. All requests for transfers shall be submitted via e-mail or on the appropriate form to the IYSA registrar.

There are two types of transfer

- 1) Internal – A Player moving from one roster in a member organization to another roster in the same member organization. Internal transfers are ***not*** counted towards the maximum of 5 that are allowed for a State Cup team.

- 2) External – A Player moving from one-member organization to another.

Any player that is granted an external transfer to another organization is ineligible to play for their new organization in the National Championship Series, i.e. State Cup, for that playing year.

Exception 1. This rule will not apply if a player's signs with a team after tryouts and the team subsequently folds before the start of the next season. For "Fall teams" this means prior to the first scheduled game in the Fall for that team or for "Spring-only teams" this means prior to the first game for that team after the team is registered with the State. In these cases the player will be considered as an add/drop rather than a transfer.

Exception 2. A player moving into the District during the playing year will be considered a new player rather than a transfer.

Exception 3. A player moving beyond 50 miles of their current area of residence, may be granted a transfer with permission to play at state cup, but must apply to IYSA for a ruling.

Exception 4. A player being dropped from one organization via the add/drop form then added to another organization will be eligible for State Cup however it is still considered a transfer against the receiving team per NCS rules.

All other requests for exceptions will be considered on a case by case basis and must be submitted in writing to IYSA for consideration.

Player / Coach Passes

Player passes and coach passes will be issued electronically by IYSA to its member associations. The member Associations have the option of using their player passes to allow players to participate with other club teams if they abide by the current play-up policy.

Roster & Field Sizes

To compete in an IYSA sanctioned event a team may have no more than 22 players on an event roster. Unless otherwise specified by a specific rule of competition, the maximum game day roster cannot exceed 18 players.

The following is a table of ***recommended*** minimum and maximums roster sizes as well as field sizes:

<i>Age Group</i>	<i>Game Format</i>	<i>Field Length</i>	<i>Field Width</i>	<i>Minimum</i>	<i>Maximum</i>
<i>U7</i>	<i>4 v 4</i>	<i>25-40</i>	<i>20-30</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>6</i>
<i>U8</i>	<i>4 v 4</i>	<i>25-40</i>	<i>20-30</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>6</i>
<i>U9</i>	<i>7 v 7</i>	<i>55-70</i>	<i>35-50</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>12</i>
<i>U10</i>	<i>7 v 7</i>	<i>55-70</i>	<i>35-50</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>12</i>
<i>U11</i>	<i>9 v 9</i>	<i>70-90</i>	<i>45-55</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>16</i>
<i>U12</i>	<i>9 v 9</i>	<i>70-80</i>	<i>45-55</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>16</i>
<i>U13 –U19</i>	<i>11 v 11</i>	<i>110-120</i>	<i>65-80</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>22</i>

Rule 4. International Players / Foreign Exchange Students

Per U.S Soccer regulations, International players / Foreign Exchange Students may require special permission to be registered. Please consult with the IYSA office for the latest procedures.

Rule 5. Interstate Play

All players or teams wishing to compete in a league operating in a state other than the state in which they are registered, must receive permission from IYSA. Permission must be obtained from a) the state association where they are registered, and b) the state association where they wish to play.

Rule 6. Permission to Travel

Competitive teams may travel freely to compete in any U.S Soccer sanctioned activity without seeking permission. Recreational teams must request permission from IYSA before traveling outside of the state of Idaho. The decision on whether to allow travel will be based on distance travelled and type of event. Permission must be obtained for every event that a recreational team wishes to attend outside the state of Idaho.

Any team wishing to travel outside of the U.S. (including Mexico and Canada) must submit the appropriate fees and paperwork to obtain IYSA's permission to travel and submit the appropriate fees and paperwork to US Soccer.

Rule 7. Permission to Host a Tournament

Teams, clubs, leagues or Members wishing to host a tournament must request permission from IYSA by applying to host. This form can be found on the IYSA website.

Tournaments will be required to report to IYSA any red cards and coach ejections as well as any diagnosed concussions.

Rule 8. Permission to Host Foreign Teams

Teams wishing to host teams from another country must request permission from US Soccer and IYSA. Contact IYSA for the most updated procedure.

Rule 9. Amateur Games

A youth player will be permitted to play an unlimited number of amateur games without losing his/her youth eligibility. The youth player must obtain permission from his/her youth coach or another authorized team official. The youth coach or other authorized team official shall, in writing, or by form, request eligibility clearance from the State Youth Association. The youth coach or other authorized team official shall, in writing, or by form, request permission from the state amateur association. When the above clearance and permission have been granted, the state amateur association has sole discretion in permitting a youth player to play senior games and will be responsible for establishing the procedure under which this will be implemented. In the event of a conflict between an amateur trial game and a youth game, the youth game shall take precedence. A youth player who is required to sign an amateur form shall retain youth eligibility.

Rule 10. Resolution of Dispute

A dispute between or within any Members shall be handled as outlined in the IYSA Judicial and Ethics Committee Manual.