



July 24, 2018

To: Club Presidents
From: Paul Bascomb, Games Committee Chair
Tammy Kishbaugh, League Operations Director

RE: CDYSL Fall Ball for Ages U08-U14
Sunday Afternoons, September 16th -October 28th

What does my club need to know about participation in the Fall League?

The CDYSL Fall program is an opportunity for our younger players to play outdoor soccer at a level above what they might find in their local recreation league. Our focus is on making sure players have the opportunity to play and get a good playing experience at an appropriate level of competition. Our focus is not on tracking wins and losses or determining champions and awards.

The games are played “festival style” with many teams playing at a common facility. Some weeks teams may have two games. To keep costs down, scores and standings will not be posted and awards for divisional champions will not be distributed.

Fall traveling soccer programs are generally not available to younger players (U08 – U14) during the school season. CDYSL responded to several requests to provide an opportunity for an organized outdoor fall program by introducing a 6 week mini-leagues for U10/U12 year boys and girls teams in 2007. This year all age groups under the birth year initiative U08 up to U14 will be offered if there is enough participation. The number of teams signed up will determine divisions. The 6 game schedule will begin on Sunday, **September 16** and end on Sunday, **October 28, 2018**.

Team Commitments

- Team Commitments are to be submitted online by August 31, 2018. A fee of \$80/team applies to each registered team.
- Team Commitment Summary Sheet and payment are due to the CDYSL office by noon on August 31, 2018.
- Quality of teams and the level of competition will be determined by the teams that sign up for the Fall Ball Program

Fields

All games will be hosted at Maalwyck Park.

Player Registration

To make the Fall Ball Program work, the mindset of clubs and coaches has to shift to an earlier registration of players to make sure players are insured. Since many clubs have not yet fully formed their teams, CDYSL wants to be as flexible as possible in the rostering requirements for this fall league. For example, if your club has a U12 and U11 team but there are not enough players on either team interested in the fall leagues, a club could roster the interested players from both teams on one Rec-Plus roster for the fall league. Later in the year, the players would be moved to their spring teams without penalty.

All players **MUST** be registered **BEFORE** the fall season begins to be covered by insurance. **Registration paperwork must be submitted to the CDYSL office no later than noon on August 28th to allow sufficient time for processing of rosters and passes.**

Player passes must be presented at each game.

Roster Sizes

- **U08 teams** will play a dual sided 4 v 4 format with no keepers. Maximum roster size of 14 players per team.
- **U10 Boys and Girls** will play 7 v 7 with maximum roster size of 14 players.
- **U12 Boys and Girls** will play 9 v 9. CDYSL will allow a roster of 18. *Please note that teams registered at 'Travel' and planning to play in the State Cup, cannot have a roster size of greater than 14.*
- **U14 Boys and Girls** will play 11 v 11. CDYSL allows a roster of 22 players. *Please note that teams registered as 'Travel' and planning to play in the State Cup, cannot have a roster size of greater than 18.*

Referee Fees

Referee Fees will be paid by the teams according to the 2018-2019 fee structure. Each team is responsible for half of the referee fees.

If you have any questions, please contact the office at 518-435-2325. Thank you in advance for your cooperation and have a great season.

Sincerely,

The Games Committee and the CDYSL Office Staff