



July 1, 2019

To : Club Presidents
From : Paul Bascomb, Games Committee Chair
Jan Brown, League Operations Director

Re : CDYSL Fall Ball for Ages U08-U14
Sunday Afternoons, September 15th – October 27th

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 location 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 or 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 years boys and girls team in 2007. This year all age groups under the birth year initiative U08 up to U14 will be offered if there is enough participation interest. The number of teams signed up will determine divisions. The six (6) game schedule will begin on Sunday, September 15 and end on Sunday, October 27, 2019.

Team Commitments

- Team Commitments are to be submitted online by August 31, 2019. A fee of \$100/team applies to each registered team.
- Team Commitment Summary Sheet and payment are due to the CDYSL office by noon, September 1, 2019.
- 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 in Scotia.

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 of this fall league. For example, if your club has a U12 and a U11 team but there are not enough players on either team interested in the fall league, 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 30th to allow sufficient time for processing of rosters and passes.**

Player passes must be present at each game along with an official approved roster.

Roster Sizes

- **U08** teams will play a dual sided 4v4 format with no keepers. Maximum roster size of 14 players per team.
- **U10 Boys and Girls** will play 7v7 with maximum roster size of 14 players per team.
- **U12 Boys and Girls** will play 9v9. CDYSL will allow a roster of 18 players. *Please note that teams registered as "Travel" and planning to play in the State Cup, cannot have a roster size of greater than 16.*
- **U14 Boys and Girls** will play 11v11. CDYSL allows a roster size of 22 player. *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 2019-2020 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