

Allen Youth Soccer FAQ's for Parents

Question: When is Fall Soccer Registration?

Answer: Registration is December through January 30th. Late Registration only takes places if space available Feb 7th through 11th.

Question: Is my child old enough to play soccer?

Answer: A player must be born by July 31, 2008. No exceptions.

Question: Do I have to live in Allen in order to participate in Soccer?

Answer: Allen Youth Soccer is for players that reside in the Allen and Lovejoy School Districts. If you live outside these boundaries you must contact the Association in which you reside in.

Question: What happens after I register my child for soccer?

Answer: If your child is a returning player and wishing to return to the same team in which he or she participated in the Fall 2011 Soccer Season, you may automatically return once you register. If you are a returning player requesting to "Re-draft" or are a New Player, then your child will remain "UNASSIGNED" until the end of registration January 30th. Players will be placed on teams at the close of registration.

Question: What is the refund policy?

Answer: Refund deadline is January 30th. No refunds will be accepted after the close of registration. You will get a full refund MINUS the \$30 non-refundable registration fee. To request a refund a form is available online www.allensports.org under "forms"

Question: What if my child is NEW to ASA Soccer?

Answer: You will need to submit a copy of your child's Government Birth Certificate to the ASA office shortly after you register. Final Deadline is January 30th. (We do not accept hospital birth certificates). You can fax it to the ASA office (972)727-9760 or bring it by 950 E Main Allen, Texas 75002

Question: My child is new to soccer, can I volunteer to coach my child's team?

Answer: We are always looking for volunteer coaches. We will form teams based on number of players registered. You will receive and email from us at the close of registration if you will be head coaching a team. If you are interested you must register yourself as a parent online, and complete the online NTSSA background check. For more information on coaches, please look online www.allensports.org Under Soccer and then coaches information.

Question: If my child is a returning player to soccer and skipped a season, can he or she return to their same team they played in Spring 2011?

Answer: A player that skips 1 season, may request to return to the same team, and will be placed on if space is available. We will not place any players until the close of registration. If your child is unable to get on that team, we will do our best to place you on team closest to your child's public school.

Question: Can I make a Special Request?

Answer:

- 1) Siblings- Players are allowed to request to play with sibling (same gender). If the sibling is a returning player to the same team, the New sibling will only be placed if there is there is space available on the team.
- 2) Players can request NOT to return to their previous team.
- 3) **NEW u4 through U8 ONLY** can request to play with a friend. This is a request, not a guarantee; we will do our best to accommodate. U9 and above does NOT allow requests to play with a friend (Even by coaches). New and Redrafting players will be placed based on geographic location through a blind draft.

Question: How is my child placed on a team?

Answer: Players are placed based on age, gender, and geographical location “school area.” Teams will be created based on number of new players registered and number of openings on existing teams. Team formation happens after registration closes.

Question: When Can I expect to hear from a Coach?

Answer: You should hear from a coach, once teams are formed (typically by 2nd week of August.) Teams that are in need of a parent to coach will be contacted by the league to ask a parent to volunteer.

Question: When are the practices?

Answer: Practices are up to the coach. Coaches can begin practice once they receive the roster. There will not be any practices at Celebration park Spring 2012 due to draft

Question: When does the season begin?

Answer: Season begins End of August, and ends Mid November.

Question: When and Where are the games played?

Answer: Games are played generally on Saturdays anywhere between 8:30m-:6:00pm. There may be week night games for rainouts and leagues with odd number of teams in a division. The games for U4-U12 will take place at Celebration Park. U9 and U10 will have some game at Bolin/Twin Creeks Park. *U14 will play in McKinney at Craig Ranch 121/ Alma. U16-U19 Will play at various field in Plano.

Question: When will I find out when my first game will be?

Answer: Coaches will find out at the coaches meeting (TBA), and schedules will be posted toward the end of February on the website.

Question: Who Provides the Uniform?

Answer: Uniforms are up to each team. It is not included in the registration fee. The coach will let you know where to get your uniform after teams are formed.

Question: What type of equipment will I need?

Answer: All players must provide their own equipment. You must purchase shin guards, and the appropriate size ball for practices. It is mandatory that shin guards be worn at all games and practices. Soccer cleats are optional. Baseball cleats with a toe-cleat OR metal cleats are not allowed.

Ball Sizes

Under 4- Under 8 Size 3

Under - Under 12 Size 4

Under 14 -Under 19 Size 5

Question: Can my child wear earring during soccer games?

Answer: No Jewelry can be worn during games. This includes new pierced ears (Tape over earrings will not be accepted).