

AYSO STANDARD REGIONAL POLICIES & PROTOCOLS
ADDENDUM B – ADDITIONAL REGIONAL POLICIES AND GUIDELINES

II. Registration Fees and Refunds

1.0 Player Registration – Registration Fee Refund Policy

The registration fee for each player participant shall be fixed annually by the regional board.

1.1 Any player who withdraws from the program shall be entitled to a full refund of such registration fee based less costs that are non-recoverable by the region as follows:

1. Before July 15th are entitled to a full refund of the registration fee paid;
2. Between July 16th and July 31st they are entitled to 50% of the amount paid;
3. After August 1st , players assigned to a team are NOT eligible to receive refunds, unless;
 - Valid Medical excuse – Proof of Doctors note explaining the situation
 - Moved out of AREA 1C; Proof of new address is needed.

Example: Written letter and sent to the below address. “I am requesting a refund for my child and have attached the payment documentation and reason.”

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2.0 Player Scholarship Guidelines

2.1 To the extent that the region has the funds available the region will offer a partial scholarship of \$50.00 to those who demonstrate that the full registration fee would cause an undo financial hardship to the player or his/her parents.

In order to receive a scholarship, the player (if 18) or his/her parents need to contact the Regional Commissioner prior to registration and may need to provide evidence of need. The Regional Commissioner will indicate authorization on the registration form

Refund Forms available ayso98.org. See below for example

ARTICLE SEVEN ***Information about the Program***

I. Team Assignments

- A. Teams shall be formed as set forth in the National Rules & Regulations, Articles II and III.
- B. Team assignments of players shall be made by those delegated such task by the Regional Board.
- C. Retention of players on any team shall be limited to the head coach’s child(ren). This also applies to a head coach who is not the parent, but is coaching at the request of a parent of a certain child; i.e. uncle, aunt, or family friend. Otherwise there shall be no automatic retention of players on any specific team or with any specific coach from the previous season

- D. Every attempt shall be made to balance the skill level of teams within each division.
- E. Once teams are formed, no transfer of any player from one team to another may be made without the approval of the coaches of both teams involved, the age division coordinator (if any), the Regional Commissioner and the parent or guardian of the player, unless the player is 18 years of age at the time.
- F. In the case where teams are involved in inter-Regional play, no transfer of any player from one team to another after such teams are formed may be made without the additional approval of the Area Director and, if affecting Section play, the Section Director.
- G. Any player requesting to play in a higher or lower division than his/her assigned division, shall have his/her case reviewed by the Coach Administrator along with the division coaches. Any deciding action shall be made by the Regional Board based on the recommendation of the Coach Administrator.
- H. Formation of all teams, other than U16 and U19 teams, will be computer generated and will be based on player ratings for each player established based on each player's skill level. All players are rated on a scale of 10 to 100 with 10 being the lowest rating and 100 being the highest ratings. If there are sufficient registrations in the U16 or U19 divisions, teams will be formed through a live draft. Only the head coach of a team, or his or her duly appointed replacement, may be present at the draft.
- I. The selection of all coaches shall be reviewed and approved by the Regional Board. As coaching is considered a privilege within the Region, any denial to coach a team(s) is not subject to appeal. Once approved, coaches in Region 98 are required to have taken and completed Safe Haven training, and completed the Coaching Course for their division, and to be able to show proof of the Coaching Certificate. The minimum required certification for each age level is as follows:
 - U-6 = U-6 Coach
 - U-8 = U-8 Coach
 - U-10 = U-10 Coach
 - U-12 = U-12 Coach
 - U-14 = Intermediate Coach
 - U-16 & U-19 = Advanced Coach
- I. Each coach in the U8 through U14 divisions is expected to attend each player rating meeting for their respective divisions in order to ensure a fair and balanced ratings for all players in each division and thereby help to ensure fair and balanced teams in each division. Failure to attend coach ratings meetings will be considered in determining whether a potential coach will be allowed to coach the following season.

IV. Length of Season and Cancellation of Games

- A. The length of any playing season during the year shall be of such duration as determined by the Regional Board, and as set forth in the Regional calendar. Any cancellations or postponements of games or practices will be made at the discretion of the RC, or Safety Director, or by direction of the Parks and Recreation.

V. Attendance; Participation

- A. In all divisions other than U16 and U19, every player shall be entitled to play at least three quarters of every game. In the event that a player is not present when a game begins, that player must play more than half of the game for the period of time he or she was physically present and prepared to play. For example, a player who arrives mid-way through the first quarter of game, must play at least two of the remaining three quarters. A player who arrives at, or during the quarter immediately preceding, halftime, must play the entire the second half.
- B. Each player is strongly urged to attend every team practice. Any player who misses practices regularly may have his/her playing time limited to one-half (but not less than one-half) of a game. If a player is limited to one half or less of the game it must be with the approval of the Division Coordinator (if available) and the Coach Administrator at least 24 hours prior to game time, and the RC must be made aware of the decision.
- C. No player shall play the entire game unless all of the other players have played at least three quarters of the game.
- D. There will be no restrictions as a goalkeeper in divisions U12 - U14. A player can play the entire game as the goalkeeper. In the U10 division, no player shall play more than two quarters as goalkeeper. If the goalkeeper rule is abused in divisions U10, the offending coach will be deducted 1 point for unsportsmanlike behavior.
- E. In games played through inter-Regional play (*e.g.*, U16, U19, play-through and All-Stars) the applicable Area 1-C or Section 1 rules for player participation will apply.

VII. Conduct During Games

The highest standard of conduct and good sportsmanship must be maintained at all times by players, coaches, referees, spectators and all other participants.

- A. Offensive, insulting or abusive language is forbidden and will not be tolerated by the Region. The coach's responsibility is to provide encouragement, positive direction, and be a positive role model to his/her team.
- J. If, after the requests from the Referee, RC, or Board member, the coach and/or the spectators fail to control their behavior, the game shall be terminated. After review of the incident, the Regional Review Board may invoke a one game suspension for a participant who is sent off the field by a referee for disciplinary reasons. All parents/coaches are required to read and sign a Parent or Coach Agreement form which will be maintained by the Region throughout the season.

X. Facilities

- A. It shall be the responsibility of both teams for the first game to set up the goal posts and nets and both teams for the last game to take down the goal posts and nets. A sportsmanship penalty may be assessed if the goals are not properly put away.

XII. Equipment

- F. Hard Casts (including padded casts), splints, helmets, and hard padding are not allowed and are not to be worn by the player during the game. Players with orthodontic braces are recommended to wear mouth guards. Soft padded concussion headwear is permitted.

XIII. Upper Division

The selection of all Upper Division coaches shall be reviewed and approved by the Regional Board. As coaching is considered a privilege within the Region, any denial to coach a team is not subject to appeal. As required by AYSO, Section 1 and Area 1-C, selected coaches will be Safe-Haven certified and have the appropriate level coach certification. Once the coaches have been selected, they will meet with the Regional Commissioner, Upper Division Coordinator, and Regional Coach Administrator prior to team formation to review player skill levels. At which time the players will be rated on a scale of 10 through 100.

If more than one team is to be created, the team formation process will be conducted by the Upper Division Coordinator with the Regional Commissioner and Coach Administrator present as well as an Area representative if required by Area 1-C. Team Formation will consist of a live draft, to be attended by only one representative from each participating team, which will proceed in a snake draft fashion (*i.e.*, the last team picking in each round makes the first pick in the next round and the draft order is reversed). Prior to the start of the draft, the participating coaches shall attempt to determine the appropriate draft round into which each of their children will be slotted. In the event that the coaches cannot agree regarding the appropriate draft round, the Regional representatives present at the draft shall determine the proper draft round.

As the Upper Division Program is run by Area, any additional special requirements will be needed to be followed based on Area Upper Division guidelines.

APPENDICES

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APPENDIX A

ALL STAR GUIDELINES

1. Player Selection

- a. **General:** The following procedure will be used to select Section and Area All Star Teams as appropriate for each participating division. Selected teams will be entered in Area C Competition for Girls and Boys Divisions U10- U14. Both the Area 1C Board of Regional Commissioners and Regional Directors shall determine the number of All star teams to be entered from each division. The criteria for forming multiple All Star teams in a division shall be determined by Area 1C Board of Regional Commissioners. These procedures shall be modified as required to satisfy the Area Criteria. The following procedures provide for the formation of Section and Area All Star Teams within a division.
- b. **Player Evaluation Forms:** Coaches must also submit player evaluation forms at this time.
- c. **Team Formation Single Division:** Prior to the last day of regular season for division with one All Star team, the head coach will select 50% of the players to make up his or her All Star team, not including his or her child (if applicable). The head coach will then disclose to the other head coaches in the respective division who he or she has chosen. The head coach will then plead the case on the additional players he or she would like to have voted on, by the head coaches. Essentially, a well-rounded team should be formed. In case of a tie in the vote count the All Star Coordinator shall chair discussion with the coaches within the division to break the tie(s). Coaches that have not submitted player evaluation forms shall not participate in the All Star selection.
- d. **Team Formation Multiple Team Divisions:** If two All Star teams are entered from the same division, the Area minimum of youngsters selected must be from a younger age in the division. The Section All Star team is to be the best team the Region can field. The Area and Regional All Star teams will not compete against any Section All Star teams, and will not continue to play beyond the area

playoffs. The player selection procedure for divisions with two or more all star teams will be as follows

- i. One week prior to the last day of the regular season for each division, the head coach will select 50% of the players to make up his or her All Star team, not including his or her child (if applicable). The head coach will then disclose to the other head coaches in the respective division who he or she has chosen. The head coach will then plead the case on the additional players he or she would like to have voted on, by the head coaches.
- ii. The Sectional team will be formed first. Followed by the Area team and finally, the Regional teams.
- iii. The second All-star team will be composed of a sufficient number of younger players to provide the minimum for the two all star teams. The second play ballot of young players will only be used to identify the appropriate (highest count) young players for the Area Team. If less than eleven young players were required for the Area team the first ballot will be used to select the remaining players needed to fill the first eleven positions.
- iv. When a player has been elected to a specific team, that player must play for that team unless his / her parent is the coach of the other team in the division; in this case the player may move to the other team with the approval of the Regional Commissioner and the All Star Coordinator. If a player turns down a team, they forfeit eligibility for all All Stars.
- v. The All Star Coordinator will be responsible for the counting of ballots and the selection of additional players in an expedient manner after completion of the regular season. All Star selections will be announced by the Regional Commissioner at the end of the regular season. All Star Coaches are not to contact selected All Star Players prior to the formal announcement, after the last regular game season has been played.
- vi. All Star team practices may start immediately following the regular season but under no circumstances prior to December 1st due to the Section 1 regulations. Players may participate in All Star and regular team playoffs; however in case of practice conflicts the regular season team must take precedence.
- vii. Coaches who have submitted player evaluation forms shall participate in All Star team formation.

2. Coach Selection

- a. **General:** Coaching a tournament or All-Star team in Region 98 is a privilege that is granted based on a variety of factors, including coach experience and history, coach certifications, team placement in the standings, attendance at all coach division coach ratings meetings, and other Region volunteerism. Accordingly, the coach of the first place team will not necessarily be awarded a tournament or All-Star team. Tournament and All-Star coaches are representatives of the Region are expected to conduct themselves in according with the AYSO philosophies.

- b. **Application:** Anyone interested in coaching a tournament or All-Star team must submit an application indicating his or her interest in coaching and in which division. A committee consisting of the Regional Commissioner, Assistant Regional Commissioner, Regional Coach Administrator and the appropriate Division Coordinator will select All-Star coaches. The Regional Commissioner retains final authority to select and appoint tournament and All-Star coaches. The selection of All-Star coaches will be made prior to the coaches' vote for the All-Star teams. Only coaches who meet the certification requirements are eligible to coach a tournament or All Star Team.

- b. **Certification:** Tournament and All-Star coaches in Region 98 are required to have taken and completed Safe Haven training, and completed the Coaching Course for their division, and to be able to show proof of the Coaching Certificate.

- c. **Board of Review of Coaching Candidates:** Prior to selection of All-Star Coaches the Regional Executive Board Members may review the list of candidates and by a 2/3 vote remove candidates from the eligibility list.

APPENDIX B

Temple City AYSO Region 98

All-Star Participation

Permission Slip

All-Star season will be coming up soon. If you would like to be eligible to participate you must have your parents read, understand, complete this form and return to your coach.

Please understand the form is only to establish your commitment to participate if chosen. It does not guarantee that you will be chosen for an All Star Team.

1. You must be committed to play All Stars from December through approximately the end of February, and possibly into March if your team makes it to the playoffs.
2. You must be available for all practices and all games. Any conflicts should be brought to your coach before submitting this form. (Practice schedules and locations will be determined by coaches.)

If you are chosen for All Stars, there will be a \$120 All star fee which will include a new uniform, please indicate on this form the uniform size. Please do not include check along with the form. All Star fees will be collected by the coaches.

The Google Form must be filled out by November 10, 2019.

APPENDIX C

TC Cup Guidelines 2016

National AYSO guidelines will prevail during TC Cup; however, all players must play a minimum of 2 quarters of play per game

In each division, seedings for the TC Cup will be determined by order of finish during the regular season. In the event of a tie in the standings the following guidelines will be used to break the tie, in order: (1) Head to head competition based on points (3 for win, 1 for tie, 0 for loss); (2) Head to head competition based on fewest goals allowed; (3) fewest goals allowed in overall regular season play; and (4) highest goals differential in overall regular season play.

For U10, the goalkeeper must play at least 1 quarter of their playing time on the field

For U12 and U14, goalkeeper may play full game at this position (that said, coaches please be sensitive of the kids' needs)

In case of a tie at the end of regulation, we'll have (2) full five minute overtime periods. If we are still tied at the end of two overtime periods, a shoot out will be held.

For the shootout, each team will select 5 players that were on the field, at the end of overtime, to take penalty shots. The players will alternate after each shot. The team with the most scored shots wins.

If the game is still tied, coaches will select a different player to shoot.

If one team has more players than the other, the same players can shoot again only after all players on the team with fewer players have had an opportunity to participate in the shootout. Players will alternate taking shots from the penalty mark until one team has scored a goal more than the other from the same number of kicks.

The team winning the TC Cup becomes the Region division runner-up and represents Region 98 in post-season, inter-Region play. If the same team that won the regular season wins TC Cup, then the 2nd place finisher in the TC Cup becomes the division runner-up.