



# **USA Sports Registration Policies**

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## Registration

In order to register a team for a league at USA Sports, please contact USA Sports directly by email at [Staff@TheSoccerArena.com](mailto:Staff@TheSoccerArena.com). We recommend all prospective teams contact us as soon as possible to reserve a spot as upcoming leagues frequently fill quickly.

## Priority Registration

Team captains or coaches who have a team currently playing in a league at USA Sports have priority registration for the upcoming league. These teams will have their positions held in upcoming leagues until 21 days prior (Priority Registration Deadline) to the start of the new league. Once the priority registration deadline has passed, their positions may be given to teams who are on a waiting list. USA Sports is not required to contact current team captains or coaches about their position. USA Sports reserves the right to take away priority registration from team captains or coaches for any reason, without contacting the team captain or coach.

## General Registration

General league registration will begin no less than 28 days before the next scheduled league. USA Sports, in most cases, will announce the opening registration day on their website. Registration is open to any interested parties who fit the eligibility guidelines as set forth by USA Sports. Registration will be on a first-come, first-serve basis.

## Registration Process

To register for a league, please send an email to [Staff@TheSoccerArena.com](mailto:Staff@TheSoccerArena.com). USA Sports may only accept registration through email. Any emails sent prior to the general registration date may be disregarded and do not guarantee a position in any league.

Once your email has been received, USA Sports will contact you within 3-5 business days to confirm your intent to register. USA Sports will also send you all the information you will need to complete your registration. Your position in the league will be held until the registration deadline, which will be listed on the USA Sports website.

Please complete all information requested by the registration deadline. Teams who do not complete their information may lose their spot in the league following the registration deadline. Please contact USA Sports with any questions.

## Schedules

Schedules for upcoming leagues will be found on the USA Sports website. Final schedules will be posted at least 72 hours before the first match day. USA Sports reserves the right to change any part to the schedule without notice to teams. Please stay on top of the schedule. We recommend all players check schedules 24 hours before your next scheduled match to ensure you have the correct start time. USA Sports is not responsible for teams who miss their matches due to schedule changes.

Teams are welcome to submit scheduling requests prior to the registration deadline. USA Sports will do as much as possible to honor requests, though USA Sports cannot guarantee that all requests can be honored.

## Fees & Payments

All fees for a registered team must be received before the team may play their second match. Please understand that we are a business and need funding in order to continue to have league play. We recommend players pay during the first week of play. Any team who is not paid in full by the second match may be dropped from the league without receiving a refund of any payments. USA Sports accepts Cash, Visa, MasterCard, and Discover. Please, no personal checks.



## Eligibility

All players must complete a Membership Application. There is no charge for membership at USA Sports. If the player is under the age of 18, a parent or legal guardian must complete a membership form for that player. Membership applications are retained on file at USA Sports and are considered valid indefinitely.

All players must be within the age limit requirements at all times during league play. For adult leagues, players must be within the age limit by the first day of league play. For youth leagues, USA Sports follows the age standards as set forth by Utah Youth Soccer Association. Please contact UYSA for more information on youth age standards.

The chart below shows the minimum and maximum ages for eligibility at USA Sports.

League Category	Minimum Age	Maximum Age
Adult Leagues	U-18	U-99
U-19	U-14	U-19
U-18	U-14	U-18
U-17	U-13	U-17
U-16	U-13	U-16
U-15	U-12	U-15
U-14	U-11	U-14
U-13	U-10	U-13
U-12	U-10	U-12
U-11	U-9	U-11
U-10	U-8	U-10
U-9	U-7	U-9
U-8	U-7	U-8

Team captains and coaches must be at least 21 years of age to register a team at USA Sports. Team captains and coaches under the age of 21 years of age must pay for the team in full at the time of registration.

Players in adult leagues may be rostered on up to two teams in the same league. No player may play for more than two teams in the same league.

Players in youth leagues may only play on one team in a single league, except for shared teams as allowed by USA Sports.

All players playing in a match must be listed on the appropriate roster.

## Sponsored Teams

Any team who is sponsored at least 75% by a single sponsoring company or entity may be granted special exceptions for rosters and fees. Please contact USA Sports for information on sponsored teams.



## Adult Rosters

Adult rosters must consist of 8 to 18 players (for 4v4 teams, rosters must consist of 5 to 12 players). In any adult league, teams may register up to 3 players under the age of 18. In any adult league, teams may not register any players considered U-13 or younger.

Rosters are considered final when the team's second match begins. Teams may not change more than 30% of their roster after their first match.

In any non-womens' adult premier league, a team may not register with less than 30% male players. Male players may not register in any female-only league. For coed leagues, all teams must have at least three female players registered. USA Sports recommends rosters of 10-11 players (6 players for 4v4).

## Youth Rosters

Youth rosters must consist of 8 to 18 players (for 4v4 leagues, rosters must be 5 to 12 players). Teams may not roster any player who does not fit into the age category for the league in which they are registered.

If a coach or team captain has registered two teams in one league, that coach may submit a single roster containing all players who will be playing on either team. Players may then be shared between the two teams without restriction. The roster must list at least 16 players total, or 8 for each team.

## Reserve Players

On occasion, not all players will be able to make it to their scheduled matches. USA Sports does allow teams to name up to three Reserve Players to fill in for missing players. USA Sports must be notified of any reserve players who are not already listed on the roster AT LEAST 24 hours in advance. There will be no exceptions to this rule.

Reserve players must be a valid member of USA Sports or must complete a membership form in order to play. Reserve players cannot be listed on the roster of more than one other team in the same league. Reserve players cannot fill in for players who are not paid in full. Reserve players cannot participate in tournament play.

## Guest Players

USA Sports does allow teams to bring up to two guest players to any non-tournament match. Guest players must pay a \$15 player fee in order to play in a single match. Guest players may participate without prior notification to USA Sports. Guest players must be a valid member of USA Sports or must complete a membership form in order to play. Guest players cannot be listed on the roster of more than one other team in the same league.

## Complementary Field Use

USA Sports offers a free practice session to all teams who registered in one of our leagues. Teams will receive a free 60-minute slot on our Small Field, once per league. Teams must schedule this time with USA Sports. Teams may not accumulate time slots for multiple seasons. The time slot must be used within 4 weeks of the start of the league.

## Team Uniforms

All teams are required to have a matching team uniform. Uniforms must be of the same color, but are not required to be the same in design. Uniforms do not need to have numbers on the back, though we do recommend this. Goalkeepers must wear a color that distinguishes them from the rest of the participants on the field. Teams are required to have their uniforms by the second week of play.

