# Northern Utah United - Competition Soccer Registration Fall 2016/ Spring 2017



The player and team registration deadline for the Fall 2016/ Spring 2017 seasons is quickly approaching. If you are interested in coaching a Youth Competition Soccer team this year, please read through all of the information below. Please save these instructions to refer to throughout the year.

Be sure to read through the following information carefully and completely.

## To Register a Youth Competition Soccer Team (Pre-registration information)

- 1. <u>Contact us</u>- Once you have decided you would like to register a team, please contact Terri Baker by sending an e-mail to <u>terribaker1@live.com</u> with the following information:
- Team Name
- Team Age/ Gender/ Play Level (Challenger League or UYSA State Competition or X-League)
- Head Coach's name/ phone number/ e-mail address & Team Manager's name / phone number / e-mail address.
- Your proposed home field.

She will send you *Team Assignment Codes* for online player and coach registration. <u>You will not be able to register as a coach without this information</u>. We will also send you an electronic packet of information including a registration checklist and financial disclosure, which must be turned in by <u>June 24<sup>th</sup></u>.

- **2.** <u>Coach registration</u> Coaches should go online and register for their teams on June 6<sup>th</sup> or shortly thereafter. (See Coaching requirements later in this document).
- 3. Player tryouts Tryouts for teams U9 U10 may begin on the Monday before Memorial Day (May 23, 2016). All other older teams may begin tryouts on the Tuesday following Memorial Day (May 31, 2016). Please post your tryout information by going to our website at: <a href="www.NorthernUtahUnited.com">www.NorthernUtahUnited.com</a> Click on either the Challenger league tab or the UYSA State league tab, and then click the tryout form button to post your information. We will be directing all inquiries regarding tryouts to the tryout pages of our website.

<u>Player and coach registration</u> - Electronic registration will open on 6th. Any players, coaches, or team managers that you want to add to your roster should be given a team assignment code from you and directed to the corresponding registration URL below. Teams must be completely registered, and all paperwork submitted by Friday, **June 24**<sup>th</sup>.

#### Registration URL's:

- for Northern Utah United is: <a href="http://uysa-nuu.sportsaffinity.com">http://uysa-nuu.sportsaffinity.com</a>
- for Infinity SC is: http://uysa-isc.sportsaffinity.com
- for Aggies FC is: <a href="http://uysa.nuua.sportsaffinity.com">http://uysa.nuua.sportsaffinity.com</a>
- **4.** <u>Team registration</u> is due to the Registrar and must be received by <u>Friday, June 24th</u>. Any team registrations not received by Friday, <u>June 24th</u>, will be considered late. Late teams will need to becharged a \$50 late fee, and run the risk of not being accepted if there isn't room in a division. Incomplete team registration will result in teams being considered unviable and late.

#### Team registration consists of:

- A Registration Checklist, with field authorization and coaches signature.
- Any Multiple roster forms, if applicable
- Pictures (these may be uploaded online or submitted electronically by email).
- Birth Certificates for all new players
- NOTE: team must have a minimum number of players on the roster and a Head coach (and an assistant, for State teams or Challenger team with Head coaches that coach more than one team) to complete the team registration.

## **Northern Utah United/Infinity SC Registrars:**

You can choose whichever registrar is more convenient for you and submit paperwork in person or electronically to either:

Katie HollingsworthIn Logan (call for physical address)753-0513ckhollings7@gmail.comTerri BakerIn Smithfield (472 E. Center, Smithfield)753-8202terribaker1@live.com- TIP: Use the Registration Checklist as a guide to make sure your team registration is complete before you turn it in.

# **General Registration Information -**

(Please save to refer to throughout the year)

# <u>Tryouts</u> - Challenger, State, and X-league (state U9 - U12)

Tryouts for teams U9 - U10 may begin on the Monday before Memorial Day (May 23, 2016). All other older teams may begin tryouts on the Tuesday following Memorial Day (May 31, 2016). Please post your tryout information by going to our website at: <a href="https://www.NorthernUtahUnited.com">www.NorthernUtahUnited.com</a> Click on either the Challenger league tab or the UYSA State league tab, and then click the tryout form button to post your information. We will be directing all inquiries regarding tryouts to the tryout pages of our website

Upon completion of tryouts, teams must make an offer to the parents of the player in writing (may be by text, email, or mail). Players/parents must be given a minimum of 24 hours to consider the offer. The offer is considered accepted and official once the player has registered for your team (after June 6<sup>th</sup>).

For complete details on the Tryout policy, visit the UYSA policy 6316 at the following link (Challenger League follow this same policy:

http://www.utahyouthsoccer.net/UserFiles/file/Player%20Development%20Policies%20May%202,%202016(1).pdf or go to: www.UtahYouthSoccer.net / "About" / "Bylaws and Policies" then go to Section 6, Policy 6316.

# Age Groups -

The Age groupings for the Fall 2016 / Spring 2017 season are determined by Year of Birth:

U8 - 2009	U11 - 2006	U14 - 2003	U17 - 2000
U9 - 2008	U12 - 2005	*U15 - 2002	U18 - 1999
U10 -2007	U13 - 2004	U16 - 2001	U19 - 1998

<sup>\*</sup>U15's will now register for Fall and Spring (as the U9 - U14's do). U16 & Older will play either Fall or Spring only, with the exception of those players that play on HS provisional teams.

## Coaching Requirements -

All coaches and assistant coaches coaching in the Competition programs are required to have a coaching license.

All Coaches, coaching within the Challenger League or UYSA Competition leagues are required to hold an E license, with the following exceptions:

- ▶ U8 Challenger coaches and assistants must have an "F" license.
- Any UYSA State coach that coaches 2 or more U13 or older state teams, must have a D license or waiver. (If a coach has 1 x-league team and 1 U13 or older team, he can have an E license)

#### In addition -

- ALL coaches must complete the Concussion training and upload their completion certificate every year. To access this training go to: <a href="http://www.cdc.gov/concussion/HeadsUp/Training/index.html">http://www.cdc.gov/concussion/HeadsUp/Training/index.html</a>
- All State level teams must have at least 2 coaches.

Coaches must have an "F" license to apply to take the "E" license class or apply for an "E" waiver Coaches must have an "E" license to apply to take the "D" license class or apply for a "D" waiver Coaches must do pre-course assignments before attending either the "E" or "D" license courses.

License waivers are available for coaches who do not currently have a coaching license (with the exception of the "F" license, which can be obtained online at any time). Waivers are good for one season, and may only be granted to an individual once in a lifetime. Once the waiver is expired, the coach will no longer be allowed to coach until they receive their coaching license, or apply for and receive a one-time extension (where applicable). D waivers may only be granted to

<sup>\*\*\*\*</sup>Absolutely No U7 Play-ups into the U8 under ANY circumstances\*\*\*\*

coaches who already hold an E license. Waivers can be applied through the Utah Youth Soccer Association, after the coach has registered online. The cost of both an E and D Waiver is: \$25. Waiver extensions, where applicable are \$50. The cost of the "F" license course is \$25 and may be taken at any time online.

All Coaches Licensing is done through the Utah Youth Soccer Association.

We have an E license course scheduled for July 27 - 30<sup>th</sup> at Sky View HS. Please register asap! The cost is \$125

We also have a D license course scheduled for June 13, 14, 16, & 18<sup>th</sup> and then part 2 scheduled for August 25, 26, & 27<sup>th</sup> in North Logan. The cost is \$225

Both E and D license courses have pre-course assignments that must be completed prior to the clinic, so please register as quickly as possible and get started on the pre-course modules.

Check the UYSA website for more info on licensing clinics and Waiver information, and how to register, at: http://www.utahyouthsoccer.net/coaches/coachingeducation.aspx

**NUU will reimburse coaches for** ½ **of the cost of their licensing class.** Just email a copy of your license when you receive it, along with your address, and we will mail you a rebate. This offer is only good for any licensing done during the seasonal 2016/17 season, and not for licenses received prior to this playing season.

## Minimum and Maximum Roster size for Challenger & UYSA Competition leagues -

- ► U9 U10 Min 7 players / Max 12 players
- ► U11 U12 Min 9 players / Max 15 players
- U13 U15 Min 11 players / Max 18 players
- ► U15 U19 Min 11 players / max 22 players

## Field Approval-

You must get field approval for use of all fields. Your team registration will not be accepted without the appropriate field approval signatures. Using our city fields is a privilege, we suggest that all coaches work with their teams to make sure that we are respectful regarding the use of these fields to help us ensure that we may continue to keep fees as low as possible, and to ensure that we may continue to use them. Please make sure that your team picks up all trash before leaving the fields, and be cautious not to play on overly wet fields, or encourage any activities which may result in damage to the playing fields.

Many fields are in great demand, and we cannot guarantee that all teams will get the fields that they request. To have the best chance of getting the home field that you would like, please contact the field rep as soon as possible. We will be limited the number of teams on each field, to ensure that fields are not overused.

Field Representative and field fee information is as follows:

Logan City fields - contact Katie Hollingsworth for field approval at 753-0513 or ckhollings@comcast.net
North Logan fields - contact Sharon Cox 770-1478 or sharoncox@live.com for Elk Ridge approval
Cedar Ridge - Contact Morey Maughan for field approval at 563-8260 or at: maughan\_03@yahoo.com
Cub River Sports Complex - Contact Terri Baker for field approval 753-8202
Nibley fields - Contact Allan Haycock at 787-8541 or at allanh08@yahoo.com for field approval.
Brigham City and Perry City fields - Contact Sheri Ricks @ 435 237-9076 or sricks04@yahoo.com
Bear River area school fields - Contact Lori Stokes @ 435 279-4245 or at: Lori@vulcraft-ut.com
Hyrum fields - Brian Tippets for field authorization at: tksoccerdad@gmail.com
River Heights fields - Mike Nelson for field authorization at: mikenelson3@yahoo.com

**Providence fields, Mendon Fields, Wellsville Fields, and College/Young Ward fields** - Please contact Janet Blad at: registrar@southcachesoccer to find out who the current field rep is, for authorization.

\*\*If you are asked to pay a usage fee, please contact Terri Baker and she will get those fees paid for you\*\*

## Field Marking -

All teams should be prepared to take a turn in marking fields, if needed. Each team should be able to find two or three

<sup>\*</sup>U11 teams can have no more than 6 multi-rostered players; U12 & older can have no more than 8 multi-roster players).

volunteers to help mark their fields before and during the season. If every team participates, it is little work for everyone, rather than a huge job for someone. NUU will take care of the cost of the paint, and provide the field marking equipment.

## Field Equipment -

Every field should be equipped with goals and nets, (except fields in the Brigham City area, where nets may be required of every home team, for each game), however all teams should have their own set of corner flags. It is the responsibility of the Home team to provide the corner flags for each game. Corner flags can easily be found online for less than \$20 - up to about \$45. (Check out Sator Soccer online at: <a href="https://www.satorsports.com">www.satorsports.com</a>) Coaches can also find other equipment at this site, like Goalkeeper equipment, training equipment, etc.) Also, you can check our website's Resource page for specials from local vendors and others.

## Tournaments -

Any team wanting to attend summer tournaments should make every effort to have their player and team registration done as soon as possible to ensure that your registration is processed in time for your tournament. You will need to make sure you get photos uploaded as soon as possible.

Teams going to in-state tournaments will likely only need a tournament photo roster to play, but teams attending out of state tournaments will likely need player cards. Contact Terri Baker at <a href="terribaker1@live.com">terribaker1@live.com</a> or 753-8202 if you need player cards.

## Fee Schedule for the Fall 2016 / Spring 2017 season:

(Complete Fee Schedule can be found on the website: NorthernUtahUnited.com on the Resource Page under Downloads)

UYSA - State Competition League Players (including X-League U9 - U12)*		Challenger League*	
U09 - U11	\$ 130 per player/ per year** - or - \$ 99 Spring only**	U9 - U19	\$80 per player/ per year - or - \$54 Spring Only
U12 - U1 <b>5</b>	\$ 138 per player/ per year** - or - \$103 Spring only**		
HS U16 & older	\$ 108 per player / fall Or Spring**		
HS - Provisional	\$ 30 in addition to HS Fall Or Spring Fee		

<sup>\*\*</sup>Includes the new UYSA Mandatory Legacy Field Fee of \$40 per year.

#### Referee fees -

Referee fees are paid on the field for the Challenger league (though this may change), and collected electronically in advance of the season for State and X-league. Complete breakdown of referee fees can be found in our Fee Schedule, located on the NUU website, under Resources / and Downloads.

#### **Medical Releases -**

As part of the player online registration process, parents will be prompted to print a copy of their registration form and sign it and give it to the head coach. This copy of the registration can be used as a medical release in case a player is injured in a game or practice and the parents are not present to give their permission for medical treatment. You will need to have these medical releases at every practice and at every game. They will also be required for check in at most tournaments. Make sure you remind all players to turn in a copy of their registration form to you.

#### Play up Rule -

No player younger than U8 may play in any competition program. Players who are U8 - U10 may not be registered to a team that competes in an age group more than one year older than the player's age group. Players who are U11 - U14 may not be registered to a team that competes in an age group more than two years older than the player's age group. Players U15 or older may play up without restriction

### Multiple Rostering -

Multiple rostering allows players to play on two teams at the same time. Players must be U11 or older and both teams must play at the same level of play, ie: State or Challenger. Additionally, the teams must be in different age brackets -AND-play in different divisions. Players must pay fees for both teams. U11 teams can have no more than 6 Multi-rostered players and U12 and older teams may have no more than 8 Multi-rostered players.

## Developmental Pass - Challenger League -

The developmental pass is a tool that allows a team to 'borrow' a player from another team on a limited basis. Players may only developmental pass within the same level of play, and between teams within the same organization (NUU and Infinity SC are now one combined organization.) Each player may developmental pass a total of six times, and a team may only

<sup>\*</sup> The field fee is now included in the player registration fees. Does not include the 2.9% online registration fee.

developmental pass 3 player in any given game. This is a coach managed program, but must be done through the online registration program (Affinity or ADG). The complete policy and instructions on how to use the Developmental pass is available on our website.

## **Club Pass - State Competition Leagues -**

The Club pass is a tool that allows a team to 'borrow' a player from another team on a limited basis. Players must be with on teams within the same Organization (NUU and Infinity SC are now one combined organization) and both must be participating in the same state gaming league. This is a coach managed program, but must be done through the online registration program (Affinity or ADG). There are additional restrictions based on division, for the complete rule, go to: <a href="http://www.utahyouthsoccer.net/programs/howtoclubpass.aspx">http://www.utahyouthsoccer.net/programs/howtoclubpass.aspx</a>

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

**Question: What forms of payment can we use to pay our online fees?** We accept Mastercard, Visa, Discover cards, and echecks, which allow you to take funds directly from your bank account.

**Question: When will the online registration be open so I can start registering players?** Online registration will be open by June 6<sup>th</sup>, All players must be given a minimum of 24 hours to accept a team's invitation. U9/10 tryouts may start the Monday before Memorial Day and all older teams may begin tryouts the day after Memorial Day.

**Question: Does my team / player need player passes?** Teams do NOT need player passes for regular league play or for in-state tournaments. If your team does want to travel to an out of state tournament, you will likely need passes. Contact your registrar to have them made. The cost is \$50 for a team or \$5 for an individual pass.

Unregistered players that would like to guest play with your team in a tournament (even in-state tournaments) must have a **Tournament Only card**. The cost for a tournament only card is \$20. Contact the registrar to have one made. Do NOT wait until the last minute!

**Question: How can I access my roster and my account information?** When you register online as the Head Coach, you set up your username and password. You can then go to our Northern Utah United website at: <a href="http://NorthernUtahUnited.com">http://NorthernUtahUnited.com</a> and on the upper right of the home page, click on the link: "Sports Affinity". From here you can log into our online team management program. This is where you can look at your roster, and eventually check schedules, and upload game scores.

**Question: What if my player cannot pay online?** Our new policy demands that all players register online. However, if it is absolutely not a possibility, contact the registrar at <a href="mailto:terribaker1@live.com">terribaker1@live.com</a>

Question: I've turned in Birth Certificates for all of my players before, do I really have to collect them and turn them in again? If the player has played competition soccer, they probably do not need to turn in a copy of their birth certificate. The Registrar will contact the coach if a returning player does not have a copy of their birth certificate on file. If they do not have one on file, they will need to provide one. Once your player is registered, coaches can get online, sign in through our online team management program "Sports Affinity", and look at their player list to see if that player has a birth certificate already on file. If there is a "B" with a circle around it, to the left of the players name, then that player has a birth certificate on file and will not require an additional copy to be turned in. If you have any additional questions with regards to Birth Certificates or forms of Proof of age or our records, please feel free to contact the Registrar, Terri Baker at terribaker1@live.com

Question: What do I need to bring a guest player to a tournament with my team? A Specialty Player action form is the form used allow players to <u>Guest play</u> on other teams for tournaments only. These forms can be found on our website under Resources / and Downloads at: <a href="http://NorthernUtahUnited.com">http://NorthernUtahUnited.com</a> Players that are not registered with any team will need a tournament only card, contact the registrar for more information.

Question: After Registration, can a player transfer from one team to another? In essence the policy is this: No transfers may be done between teams except during the transfer window of November 15 through January 15<sup>th</sup>. Also, transfers will not be approved if it causes a team roster to fall to less than a minimum roster plus two (2) players. Additionally, teams may not have more than 5 transfers onto their rosters in a year, except under very specific circumstances. Finally, a special exception is allowed for teams within affiliated clubs: Teams within a club (All NUU and Infinity teams are part of the same club) may transfer players from one of their club teams to another of their own club teams at any time. In other words: Intra club transfers will be unrestricted by the transfer window, but Inter club transfers will be restricted to the transfer window. Also, club teams must still comply with the maximum limit of 5 transfers a year. This policy may be reviewed in full by going to <a href="https://www.utahyouthsoccer.net">www.utahyouthsoccer.net</a> / "About" / Bylaws and policies / policy 7327

This policy has been developed to encourage players to remain on the team they committed to. When a player registers with a team in the Fall, that is considered a year long commitment on the part of the coach and the player.

Question: When do games begin? In the Fall, games usually begin the last week of August or the First week in September and go

through October. In the Spring, games usually begin around the 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> week in April (a little sooner for state teams), and go through the end of May.

**Question: When do Schedules come out?** Schedules are usually available on our website a minimum of 2 or 3 weeks before games begin. Teams may reschedule games without charge for the first 10 days after schedules are posted. After that, there is a \$20 reschedule fee for all reschedules. The complete Reschedule policy and procedure is available on the website under resources / downloads.

Question: I have a player who has decided not to play, how can they get a refund? We have a NO Refund policy, which is clearly stated during the registration process. We will not allow any refunds unless the reason a player is withdrawing is the fault of our organization, such as: Not enough teams for a division, etc.

**Question: Who can I contact for additional information?** If you have any questions you can contact me, Terri Baker, **Northern Utah United**'s Programs administrator and Registrar at the office at: (435) 753-8202, or by e-mail at: <a href="terribaker1@live.com">terribaker1@live.com</a>. And of course, Check the Website at: <a href="terribaker1@live.com">www.NorthernUtahUnited.com</a> especially, the Resources page.

#### What's new this season -

- New age groupings by year of birth & New small-sided formats. Information is available in the Age configuration sheet on our website <a href="https://www.NorthernUtahUnited.com">www.NorthernUtahUnited.com</a> under Resources and Downloads.
- We may begin electronic Referee pay for the Challenger league, if the option becomes available for us.
- Changes to coaching licensing requirements: Coaches only need a D license if they are coaching on more than 2 state competition teams, both (or more) of which are U13 or older.
- New Legacy Field fee \$40 a year which will be used by UYSA to build and maintain fields within the Region where the funds are collected. It is Mandatory for all State Competition players, and Optional for Challenger players.
- ► U15 teams will now be year-round teams instead of just Fall or Spring teams. We anticipate that Challenger will have U15 division.

From the League Commissioner Daren Woolstenhulme regarding State U15 teams, "With the changes in the U.S. Soccer birth year registration the U15 brackets will have nearly 50% of the kids unable to try out for HS Soccer (compared to 30% currently at U15) as well with the standard percentages of those able to try out for HS Soccer that do not get placed on a team UYSA will see a projected 60% to 72% of the age group not playing HS Soccer. As such UYSA has changed play at U15 to be an extended season where both girls and boys teams will play fall and spring. UYSA does not have nor have we ever had a policy where a player within UYSA is restricted from playing both HS Soccer and Club Level soccer. Players will need to speak with their individual teams and clubs in regards to the direction those teams are going within the U15 brackets."

We are expecting to have a new "Heading" policy, which will restrict players younger than 11 years of age from heading the ball, and recommending limiting the training time for "heading" depending on age of the player. We'll send out more information as we get it.

Whew! That's all folks!

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