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WYSA Return to Play Update | July 29, 2020

Thank you for your continued efforts on behalf of youth soccer in Wisconsin. Many clubs have returned to play over the last several weeks and provided valuable feedback on their experiences. Today we are providing updates regarding the fall season. The health and wellbeing of WYSA members continue to be at the forefront of our decision-making process. Please know that each of these decisions was carefully considered with great emphasis on preservation of the fall season.

PLAY ON Protocol

All activities sanctioned by WYSA are required to comply with the PLAY ON protocol. Items listed as recommendations in the three Phase Guides are recommendations, not requirements. However, all other criteria not specifically listed as a recommendation are considered requirements and must be implemented accordingly. Local health orders supersede guidance from WYSA and/or the PLAY ON protocol. Clubs may choose to impose more stringent policies than are contained in the Phase Guides. (i.e. a recommendation in the Guide could be made a requirement within your specific organization.)

Current Phase & Future Advance

As of this writing WYSA remains in Phase 2 of the PLAY ON protocol. Effective today, Phase 2 is being modified to allow intra club scrimmages. We are targeting an advance to Phase 3 on August 14. A final review of that decision and confirmation to clubs will be communicated no later than August 12. Club versus club activities are restricted until the state progresses into Phase 3. (The Phase III: Grassroots Recommendation Guide can be viewed [here](#).)

Player Registration

As fall teams are finalized, clubs are reminded to sync player registration data with the state system via Demosphere. Please note, players must be registered and rostered to be covered by WYSA insurance. (Even if your team elects not to participate in a fall league, players must be registered and rostered for coverage during training activities.) Players rostered as of September 15 will be included on November 1 invoices. Player drops must occur before September 15 to be excluded from player registration invoices.

District/Club Leagues

Once WYSA advances to Phase 3 and if local health orders permit, districts/clubs may proceed with league offerings. Each district and participating club are responsible for compliance with the PLAY ON protocol.

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WYSA Leagues

Leagues administered by WYSA (SECL, SWCL, Youth Academy & State League) have an extended application deadline of August 2. Other previously published league timelines remain unchanged:

- Division published: August 4
- Schedules released: August 6/7
- Schedules due back from clubs: August 19
- Schedules out to assignors: August 21

Division assignments, possible geographic groupings and number of games will be determined based on applications received. There will be no Mega Date for the Fall 20 Youth Academy Program.

Fall 2020 Cups

Applications for the Fall 20 President and State Cup are due August 24. Modified competition plans are being finalized and will be communicated to clubs before the application deadline, providing teams the opportunity to register or withdraw based on available information.

Sanctioned Tournaments

WYSA is withdrawing sanctioning of all remaining 2020 tournaments. Greg Rosenthal will reach out to host clubs who have the option to request a refund of sanctioning application fees or apply that payment to a 2021 tournament sanctioning application.

Interstate Travel

Permission to travel out of state remains suspended. WYSA will review interstate travel monthly.

Coaching Education

Coaching Education courses will return in August under U.S. Soccer's Return to Educate Protocols in areas that allow for such activities.

WYSA Staff will provide program specific updates to registered participants as more information becomes available. If you have questions about anything contained in this update, please feel free to contact me directly. Thank you for your ongoing support of WYSA and youth soccer in Wisconsin.

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