

## FRIENDLY GAMES POLICY

#### General

Teams must obtain permission from WYSA to host friendly games in Wisconsin. This includes any interclub play (friendly games or scrimmages) between two clubs, with or without referees, as required below. All WYSA sanctioned Friendly Games must have sponsorship from their WYSA affiliated club and the club must be listed as the sponsoring organization on all official documents. WYSA member organizations in good standing who registered players with WYSA in the previous seasonal year will be allowed to sponsor Friendly Games. Sanctioning is awarded at the sole discretion of WYSA.

## Friendly Game Restrictions

To be considered for Friendly Game approval, all the following must apply:

- 1. No fees will be charged. However, hosting clubs may collect field rental fees and referee game fees.
- 2. Participating teams/clubs must be currently registered with Wisconsin Youth Soccer Association, a US Youth Soccer State Association, or an Organizational Member of US Soccer.
- 3. No more than twenty (20) games per week are permitted.
- 4. No standings shall be kept, and no awards shall be issued.
- 5. No guest players will be allowed however, club pass players (as defined by WYSA policy) are permitted.
- 6. All game officials must be currently registered with and licensed by US Soccer.
- 7. All game officials must comply with FIFA Laws of the Game and WYSA policies.
- Referees must be assigned by a referee assignor who is currently registered with and certified by US Soccer.
- 9. All WYSA Bylaws and Policies are adhered to, including but not limited to, game format. Any proposed deviances must be clearly stated and specifically approved by WYSA in advance.
- 10. Application to Host Friendly Games and a list of fields (with addresses) must be submitted to WYSA at least seven (7) days in advance of the proposed date(s) of the Friendly Games.
- 11. Organizations hosting six (6) or fewer friendly games need not fill out this application. However, they must notify their WYSA affiliated club to guarantee insurance coverage.

## Post Event Paperwork

Organizations hosting WYSA sanctioned Friendly Games must submit a list of all red cards received in the Friendly Games and a detailed report of any instances of referee abuse/assault to WYSA within fifteen (15) days of the conclusion of the Friendlies.

#### **Out of State Teams**

All out-of-state team(s) must be currently registered with their US Youth Soccer State Association or with an Organizational Member of US Soccer and have permission from their organizational body to attend.

#### **Guest Players & Club Pass**

Guest players (from outside a team's own club) will not be permitted, however, club passing is permitted in accordance with WYSA policy.



#### **Small Sided Games**

Age groups should play in a format as described within WYSA Policies. If another format is used, any deviances must be clearly stated and specifically approved by WYSA in advance. WYSA is not obligated to sanction Friendly Game Requests that are not consistent with WYSA rules.

#### **Medical Releases**

Teams must be able to provide medical release forms for each participating player.

#### Insurance

WYSA will provide general liability and accident medical insurance to WYSA affiliated teams for sanctioned Friendly Games.

#### **Risk Management**

Team officials must have a current pass card certifying completion of the Risk Management process to be present on the sideline of sanctioned Friendlies.



# APPLICATION TO HOST FRIENDLY GAMES

Name of Friendly Games:		
Host/Sponsor Organization:		
Hosting Organization Contact:		
Contact Title:		
Address:		
City:		
Telephone:	email:	
Location of Friendly Games:		
Date(s) of Friendly Games:		
Total Number of Games:		

Team Name	Age/Gender	WYSA Club, USYS State Association, or USSF Member Organization	Primary Contact

Attach an additional sheet if necessary

Signature of Hosting Organization Contact

Date

Signature of Sponsoring Organization President

Return to: Wisconsin Youth Soccer Association Attn: Application to Host Friendly Games 10427 W Lincoln Ave, Suite 1100 West Allis, WI 53227

Date