Columbia Soccer Association

Frequently Asked Questions

When does the season start?

The fall of 2016 season starts September 10th and runs through November 12th. There will be no recreational games on October 8th (Fall Break) and November 5th (Friendship Cup Tournament).

When does registration end?

The last day of registration is August 13th. Late registration begins August 14th. Late registrations are not guaranteed a roster spot.

How can I register?

You can register online, by mail, or in-person. Use our website, <u>www.columbiasoccer.org</u>, for online registration or to print a registration form to mail in. In-person sign-ups will be at Cook Soccer Park, August 5^{th} from 6 pm - 8 pm and August 13^{th} from 9 am - 11 am.

How much does it cost?

Regular Registration (July 3rd - August 13th)

\$70 - 1 player

\$130 - 2 siblings

\$180 - 3 siblings (no additional charge for more than 3 siblings)

Late Registration (after August 13th)

\$90 per player (not guaranteed a roster spot)

When and where are the games played?

The games are played on Saturdays at Cook Soccer Park. Game times can range from 8 am - 4 pm.

When and where are the practices held?

The coach that your child is assigned will chose the time and location of practices.

When should I hear from my coach?

Coaches will not receive their rosters until August 27th. We ask the coaches to contact their players within a week after receiving their rosters. This means you should hear from your coach between August 27th and September 3rd. If you have not heard from your coach by September 3rd, please contact us at columbiasoccer@hotmail.com.

Does my child need experience?

No. For recreational soccer no experience is required. Typically, one third of every team is made up of new players with no experience. It's never too late to start!

What equipment will my child need?

Your child will be provided a game day uniform which includes a jersey, shorts, and a pair of socks. The uniform is theirs; they will not have to turn it back in. You will need to purchase shin guards, shoes (soccer cleats are best), and a soccer ball. Shin guards and shoes are required for both practices and games. The soccer ball size depends on the age division in which your child plays (Tiny Toes – U8 uses a size 3 soccer ball, U10 – U12 uses a size 4 soccer ball, U18 uses a size 5 soccer ball).

How do I know what division my child is in?

A full soccer season runs from the fall of one year through the spring of the next year. The fall of 2016 through the spring of 2017 is the upcoming full soccer season. To compute which division your child falls in, TSSA takes the spring season year minus your child's birth year. If your child was born in 2007, then they would be in the 10 and under division (spring of 2017 minus birth year of 2007). Even if your child only plays in the fall season, divisions are still determined by the spring season year.

Birth Year(s)	Division
2013 – 2014	Tiny Toes (must turn 3 before the season starts)
2012	5 and under
2011	6 and under
2009 – 2010	8 and under
2007 – 2008	10 and under
2005 – 2006	12 and under
1999 – 2004	18 and under

^{*1999 – 2006} may split into 13 and under, 14 and under, etc. depending on the registrations.