

VYSA Terms & Conditions

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Section 1. All players, coaches, and other registrants, whether competitive or recreational, shall register with and abide by Viking Youth Soccer Association (VYSA), Bylaws, and Rules and Policies.

Section 2. Every player and coach that participates or plays in programs with VYSA that are sanctioned by Wisconsin Youth Soccer Association(WYSA) will be registered with WYSA and US Club Soccer.

Section 3. Registration fees for all players are due and payable to VYSA prior to such player's first regularly scheduled practice, unless otherwise provided for by the Board of Directors.

Section 4. A player is registered with VYSA from the moment that player or the player's parent or legal guardian completes the VYSA Registration Process as required and pays the appropriate fees to VYSA.

Section 5. VYSA shall be responsible for ensuring the proper registration of players, coaches, other volunteers and officials and accurately accounting for fiscal transactions with prompt reporting of registration data. All forms and fees shall be submitted to WYSA/US Club Soccer on a timely basis.

Section 6. Formal registration of all players and coaches, recreational or competitive, shall take place prior to the season for which that registration pertains, whether it is fall, winter, spring, or summer. Competitive players and combined competitive/recreational players agree to a one year commitment to that team.

Section 7. All player accounts are required to be in good standing. Good standing means that all fees (registration, uniforms, tournament, team fees, etc.) are paid in full or a payment installment plan is in place and current.

VYSA may suspend a player's playing privileges during any period that their account is not in good standing and could result in termination of a player's ability to play with VYSA. There are no refunds upon termination of an account.

In the event of a player leaving VYSA for any reason, their account is required to be paid in full before their player card will be released, including Club and team fees.

Tournament fees that are initially scheduled on a team's calendar will be shared with all team players whether they attend the tournament or not.

Any player, coach, and/or team determined to be in bad standing will not be allowed to participate in any VYSA authorized activities. Reasons for a player, coach, and/or team to be considered in bad standing include but are not limited to:

1. non-payment of fees
2. excessive disciplinary infractions
3. actions deemed to be not in the best interest of VYSA
4. non-compliance with VYSA Bylaws, and Rules and Policies

Section 8. VYSA must register with WYSA/US Club Soccer each and every player, coach, and team that is administered, sponsored, supported, and/or sanctioned by WYSA, whether male or female, participants of a traveling team, competitive team, indoor team, or recreational team participating in sanctioned events.

Section 9. A player registration fee will be established each season to pay for necessary program expenses including but not limited to an accident reimbursement plan, liability insurance, VYSA office administration, general operating expenses, field maintenance and development, and WYSA/US Club Soccer dues. VYSA is authorized to set its own registration fee, subject to approval by the Board of Directors. Only the VYSA President or the authorized agent that collects the registration fees can authorize a refund of any or all of the registration fees. Late fees may apply for late registrations.

Refund Policy

VYSA offers a comprehensive competitive youth soccer experience. Planning for the administration of this experience precedes the actual season by several months to ensure proper staffing, team composition and overall quality of the club. Fees are determined by the anticipated number of participants. Refunds for registrations once VYSA has started its final team planning or implementation stage will not be given. Participants in VYSA programs assume the risks of changes in personal affairs or vacation when they are unable to participate in training sessions, games, and tournaments. Players dropping out are not eligible for a refund or credit. Conflicts with practice or game schedules are not grounds for refunds. No refunds will be granted for games cancelled due to weather, acts of God, or forfeits. Any refunds requested must be submitted in writing to the registrar.

Exceptions:

- If you register for a VYSA program or team and we are unable to fill the minimum number of places required to conduct that program, a refund will be issued.
- Refund requests due to injury must be made within 10 days of season ending injury or illness and must have a medical provider's note included. Medical related refunds will be prorated.
- VYSA reserves the right to deviate from this policy when special circumstances are presented.

A refund request that has been approved will be paid by check within approximately 30 days of the refund decision.

Section 10. In order to be released by the club, the parent must start the process by filling out the corresponding WYSA paperwork. Paper will then be sent to the registrar@holmenvyasa.com to be looked over and forwarded onto the VYSA President. We reserve the right to request a meeting in person before granting release. A request for release also comes with a release fee of \$200. This fee may be waived by a vote of the whole VYSA board.

Section 11. While it is expected that all players or parents of players pay their way, it is recognized that some players may not be able to pay the full registration fee because of severe financial hardship. VYSA may set its own standards for waiving all or a portion of the registration fee. Such waiver policies shall be approved by the Board of Directors. WYSA/US Club Soccer portion of the registration fee cannot be waived except by application and a showing of severe hardship. Players or parents receiving a waiver of all or a portion of the registration fee may be requested to volunteer their services to VYSA in such areas as coaching, coordinating, fundraising or as needed.

Section 12. Players will be required to have a WYSA Medical Release on file for the current year in order to practice or play for VYSA or WYSA Sanctioned Events. Parents and Players will be required to submit a signed Code of Conduct form to continue eligibility.

Section 13. Play time is at the discretion of the team's individual coach. Standardization across the club is at the discretion of the Director(s) of Coaching.

Section 14. Players are expected to show proper etiquette during practice times. VYSA does allow open practice in which families are able to watch and attend. VYSA does ask that viewers do not distract or interrupt players, coaches, or assistants during practice time. Please allow the coaches to work with their team.

Section 15. The VYSA Board of Directors reserves the right to review and vote to make changes to bylaws, policies, terms and conditions, at any time to align with club requirements, district and state regulations and altogether business practices. For further information visit www.holmenvysa.com or contact one of our board of directors.

Viewers, Coaches, Players, Assistants, and Referees are expected to display appropriate behavior while at practice, games, special events, tournaments, etc. Remember that this is a representation of the entire club. If there are immediate concerns please contact a board member to assist.

Section 16. All parents, coaches, and players acknowledge the use of their images for VYSA publications with no form of compensation.

Section 17. Definitions

a. Registration - The signing of intent to play the sport of soccer and the paying of fees to become a participant of Viking Youth Soccer Association (VYSA) in the Combined Competitive/Recreational League or the Competitive League.

b. Registered Player - A participant whose parent or legal guardian has completed the VYSA registration. Unregistered participants are strictly prohibited from playing matches or practicing with a VYSA recreational or competitive team.

c. Rostering - Assignment of a registered player to a recreational or competitive team.

d. Recreational Team - Team for which the use of tryouts, invitations, recruiting or any like process to roster players on the basis of talent or ability is prohibited. Traditional play in local and extended local league play, some exceptions apply.

e. Combined Recreational/Competitive Team also known as Hybrid Team is a team that may or may not tryout, roster based on talent or ability and availability, interest in traveling to fewer selected tournaments than that of the competitive team.

f. Competitive Team - A team formed on the basis of player ability or talent as determined through the use of a tryout that is publicly advertised and open to any eligible player who wishes to participate.

g. Player contract - formal contract committing said player to all season games, tournaments, and practices as deemed by the head coach.

h. Guest Player - A WYSA/US Club Soccer registered player rostered on another WYSA/US Club Soccer team participating in a competition or a tournament for a WYSA recreational or competitive team to which the player is not rostered and is substituting a rostered player's place on a single-game/single-tournament basis. Guest player approval must be coordinated at least one week in advance. All guest players must be facilitated by coaches during interclub guest play, this is also known as club passing. All intra club guest play must be approved by the club Director(s) of Coaching or Tournament Director.

Guest player requests for promotional activities such as Youth Camps, Partnerships, One-time Events shall be granted if the event does not conflict with the roster team's schedule. Examples of this could include MVS, Tri Rivers League, ODP, USA Cup, and Chicago Fire.

In the event that a competitive team's number of original roster players drops to a point of jeopardizing the remaining competitive team's league schedule, players may be club-passed, or registered at the discretion of all involved coaches, Director(s) of Coaching, Registration, and Tournament Director.