

H) Evaluation Policies and Procedures for U11 – U18 Teams

General

1. Select teams will exist only for U11 – U18 teams.
2. All Divisional Evaluations shall be completed by June 30th.
3. No player may be transferred to a higher or lower caliber team without the approval of the Executive. No player transfers are allowed after the date specified by the B.C. Soccer Association which is in mid January.
4. A coach wishing to transfer a player must contact the Coordinator first who will then bring the matter to the attention of the President or Vice-President with a recommendation.
5. Priority will be given to those who reside within the Burnaby District except at the Gold or Metro level.
6. Evaluations must be held for U11 and up when there are 2 or more teams at the particular level. The goal is to ensure that all players are given a fair chance to be placed where their skill sets are most suited.
7. Player selection is based on the following:
 - a. Performance at the evaluation session.
 - b. Player evaluation from the previous year's coach (if available).
 - c. Observation of the player through-out the year (if applicable).

Pre-Tryout Activities

1. The Organizer of the tryout session shall be the age group Coordinator or someone else designated by the Executive.
2. It is the Club's responsibility to post the dates, times, duration and pertinent information regarding tryouts on the RCYSC website at <http://www.rcysc.com> and to provide the information to coaches to pass onto their players in a timely fashion.
3. It is the coaches' responsibility to have the player evaluations submitted so that they can be used as input into player selection.
4. It is the Organizer's responsibility to do the following for the evaluation sessions:
 - Prepare player registration sheets.
 - Have pinnies available for all the players.
5. The Club will communicate to the Technical Director (TD) to be sure that adequate resources are available to cover all the evaluation sessions. The club requires that the same TD staff attend all the evaluations for each age group.

Tryout Sessions

1. The Organizer may designate an assistant to help with player sign-in.
2. Players need to arrive 30 minutes prior to the evaluation start time to sign-in and warm up as there may be no warm up time allotted during evaluation sessions.
3. It is the responsibility of the evaluators to assess the players' ability and to communicate with the organizer.

4. Parents may not be on the field or interacting with anyone on the field during tryouts, however, they may watch from the sidelines. The selected coach of the team may assist with the evaluation session at the discretion of the Organizer.
5. It is the Club's decision to determine the level of play for the teams in each age group. For U11 and U12, a general rule of thumb is that about one third of the players in the division should be at the select/development level.
6. The Club may schedule additional tryout sessions for a particular age group if the club deems it necessary. The Club may also schedule additional sessions specifically for goalie selection.
7. All communication to parents and players shall be through the tryout Organizer.

Player Selection

1. The number of players selected will be as follows:
 - a. For U11 – U12: Teams start with a roster of 12 players and a short reserve list.
 - 8 players are selected based on their overall evaluation
 - 4 players are selected by the coach.
 - b. For U13 – U18: Teams start with a roster of 15 players and a short reserve list.
 - 11 players are selected based on their overall evaluation
 - 4 players are selected by the coach.

Additional players are selected by the coach for teams with larger rosters.

2. With regards to goalie selection and in the interest of fairness, the coach should select 1 goalie as a coaches pick if there is not one listed in the first set of selected players.
3. Players in U11 – U18 may try out to play for the top team one age group above their current level according to the following guidelines:
 - a. **Outfield Players:** To be chosen for the top team at the higher age group the player must be ranked in the top 3 for U11 – U12 or the top 4 for U13 – U18 of the Technical Directors picks and may not be a coaches pick.

Goalies: An underage player may be selected for goalie as a coaches pick provided they are ranked highest by the Technical Director as a goalie in a goalie evaluation or if they are the only player declaring themselves as a goalie.
 - b. If the player does not make this top team, they will not be eligible to play at the next level down at this higher age group; they will go back to their own age group.
 - c. Underage players may only try to play up one year above their own age group.

Reserve List

1. The reserve list will be used if:
 - a. A player turns down an offered position
 - b. A player leaves the Club
 - c. There are enough registered players to allow lower levels to be competitive.
2. In the event a player turns down an offer, a reserve list player should be contacted within 14 days.
3. The reserve list should be maintained by the Coordinator until January 15th.

Contacting Players

1. It is the responsibility of the Organizer to contact all the players who tried out for the team whether they made the team or not.
2. Teams will be contacted from highest level to lowest. For example, the Gold coach shall contact players and when the responses are received shall inform the Silver coach of any players who turned down a placement and that he has taken a player from the reserve list. This coach will now contact his players and do the same for the next coach.
3. Once a player has been notified a firm decision and commitment is required within 24 hours.
4. All players who accept a position must be registered within 72 hours of acceptance to ensure the spot does not go to another player. We ask the coaches to do their best to ensure this occurs.

Policy Review

1. This policy should be reviewed each year before tryouts start in an effort to continue improving and changing to reflect the needs of the Club, coaches and players.

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