

SOCCKER GUIDE FOR PARENTS

2019/2020 Indoor Soccer Season

*Quick look at what
you need to know
when registering
you child for soccer
this season*

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Section 1 Important Dates

1.1 Season Start & End Dates

The regular Indoor Season begins October 19th and runs until February.

1.2 Post Season Dates

- City Finals: February 22nd & 23rd
- Intercities: March 9th & 10th
- Provincials: March 13th to March 15th & 7V7 March 5th to March 8th

1.2 Play Dates & Registration Information

Community Soccer Information - Indoor 2019						
Birth Year	Age Group	ON TIME registration Fee	Late fee (after sep 4)	Volunteer deposit	Game Days (tentative)	Location
2015	U5	\$ 150.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 200.00	Early Saturday Morning	East Center
2014 & 2013	U7	\$ 215.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 200.00	Saturday	East Center
2011 & 2012	U9	\$ 260.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 200.00	Saturday	City wide
2009 & 2010	U11	\$ 260.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 200.00	Saturday	City wide
2007 & 2008	U13	\$ 260.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 200.00	Saturday and/or Sunday	City wide
2005 & 2006	U15	\$ 265.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 200.00	Sunday	City wide
2003 & 2004	U17	\$ 265.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 200.00	Sunday	City wide
2001 & 2002	U19	\$ 265.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 200.00	Sunday	City wide

Club Soccer Information - Indoor 2019 (tryouts Required)						
Birth Year	Age Group	ON TIME registration Fee	Late fee (after sep 4)	Volunteer deposit	Game Days (tentative)	Location
2011 & 2012	U9	\$ 550.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 200.00	Saturdays	City Wide
2009 & 2010	U11	\$ 550.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 200.00	Mondays or Tuesdays	City Wide
2007 & 2008	U13	\$ 650.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 200.00	Wednesdays or Thursdays	City Wide
2005 & 2006	U15	\$ 650.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 200.00	Tuesdays or Thursdays	City Wide
2003 & 2004	U17	\$ 650.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 200.00	Mondays or Wedensdays	City Wide
Please note that if your player is selected for the Non Boarded league Only Available for U13 & up they can anticipate to play any days from Sunday to Thursdays						

Section 2 Registration

2.1 Community Registration

- **All EMSA Registered players must have a valid community league membership, this can be purchased at www.efcl.org**
- Once you have your membership you have to begin by registering online for the season at www.emsasoccerportal.com
- The final step in the process will direct you on how to proceed to complete the registration. What documents to submit and where to ensure that the player is fully registered. **Please note until final confirmation paperwork and payment & deposits are received the registration is not considered complete and the player will not be placed onto a team.**

2.2 Premier/Club Registration

All Premier/ Club registrations require attendance at The Northside United tryouts for selection. All children that would like to tryout must pre-register online.

- **All EMSA Registered players must have a valid community league membership, this can be purchased at www.efcl.org**
- Once you have your membership you have to begin by registering online for tryouts for the season at www.emsasoccerportal.com (please remember to select you want to play premier/club) when registering online.
- **You may choose to pay the fees online (community fees) and submit the required paperwork to the north zone office in order to secure your child a space on a community team in the event they are not successful at tryouts**
- Attend tryouts with Northside United see [HERE](#) for dates
- In the event that your child is successful you will attend a Northside united registration session upstairs at the Soccer Center after your child's last tryout. If you paid the community fee already then only the difference will be collected at that time.
- In the event your child is not successful and you did not pay the community fee or complete the required items to finalize the registration. You can attend the North Zone office final registration date on September 4th to ensure that your child is placed onto a community team. Please note if the final registration is not completed prior to this date there are no guarantees that there will be space on a team for your child.

Section 3 Team Formations

3.1 Age Movements

An “Age movement” that places a player at a higher-age team can be requested when completing the online registration. For community play this request will be reviewed and approved based on availability. For Premier/club this request will be approved based on the outcome of the tryout session.

A request to move downward in age due to a child’s mental and physical abilities must be submitted in writing to your community league soccer director. This type of age request **MUST** be accompanied and supported by a letter from a physician. You will be notified of the decision in writing; the committee’s decision is final.

3.2 Special Requests

Special requests can be made through the online registration process. While communities will try and grant your special request, they cannot grant all requests and therefore there is **no guarantee of requests for placement being met.**

3.3 Transfer Requests

For community soccer a transfer to play in a different community than you reside may be request during the online registration process. Even when a transfer is requested it is pending approval on based on availability. As long as there is space the transfer will be approved.

For requests to play premier/club, this can be requested through the online registration. Approval of this request is contingent on your child’s success at the Northside United tryouts. If successful the the child will be palced on the appropriate team they have been selected for and the parent can complete the registration process with Northside united directly following the last tryout session for the player. ****Note when registering online there is a section that sates “if my child is unsuccessful at tryouts he/she would like to play community”** Please click this button, this allows the community to see your child is interested in community if unsuccessful at tryouts. Your registration must be completed with the community no later than September 4th.

Section 4 Volunteering

4.1 Parent Volunteers

Our programs would not be able to run without parent volunteers. It is the volunteers that help us keep our registration costs low. It is the volunteers that help us put on successful events each and every season and it is the volunteers that spend time with our children each and every week, coaching and managing a team.

Some of the positions include but are not limited to:

- Coach
- Assistant Coach
- Team Manager
- Office Assistance
- Tournament Assistance
- Bingos & Casino workers

Parent volunteers are crucial to our program. No coaches = No teams. There are always ways you can get involved. More information on the volunteers that we are looking for are listed in our volunteer opportunities page. <http://emsanorth.com/volunteer/opportunities-2/>

Section 5 EMSA ID Cards

5.1 Carding Session

Certain players and team officials require EMSA ID cards, please to see below to see if your child requires an EMSA ID Card and if you do not have a valid EMSA ID card one will need to be applied for at the EMSA Carding session listed below. The cards will be generated on the spot

Location: Delton Community Hall, 12325 88 street NW

Time: 5pm – 9am

Dates: September 26th & October 17th

Please bring the following items to the carding session:

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- **A piece of government issued ID for the player (such as birth certificate / passport / AB Health card) – Player must also be present to obtain a ID card**

Please note the dates below will be strictly adhered to and EMSA Main will not be accepting walk ins for ID cards at any time or date other then what is listed above

The following groups/divisions require an EMSA I.D card for **LEAGUE GAME PLAY**:

PLAYERS:

U13 – U19 Community

U9 – U19 Premier

TEAM OFFICIALS: (coach, assistant coach & manager)

U9- U19 Community

U9 – U19 Premier

*For team officials, your I.D. card must be shown prior to the start of the game or you will not be permitted to be on the bench for the entire game.

*Players have until the end of the game to produce their card.

5.2 Losing an EMSA ID card

The coach will normally hold onto your ID card for the season so that it can be easily presented to the referee at games. Cards are valid for 3 years. At the end of each season it is YOUR responsibility to ensure you get the EMSA ID card back from the coach. Replacement cards are subject to a \$20.00 replacement fee.

Section 6 Uniform Information

6.1 General

Please remember to wash your child's jersey and other equipment regularly. Jersey's left in soccer bags do smell. For hygiene reasons please remember to wash and air dry shin pads.

Shin pads are mandatory for all players. Children without shin pads will not be allowed to participate in games or practices.

6.2 Premier Uniform Information

Our Premier players receive from the club, shorts socks, home and away Jersey's. Your soccer uniform is only meant for soccer and should not be worn to school or other events. It is you and your child's responsibility to keep the uniform in clean condition. The Jersey is the player's to keep and can be purchased for \$80.00 from the club. Your child will be able to re-use the Jersey without purchasing a new one within seasons as long as it still fits and is in useable condition.

6.2 Cleats

No cleats should be worn during the indoor season. It is recommended to wear appropriate indoor soccer shoes however any clean indoor shoe will suffice.

6.3 Religious Wear

Should players be required to wear pants for religious reasons, a letter of permission from EMSA must be obtained. Please contact your Community Director who will be able to submit the request on your behalf.

6.4 Jewelry

Jewelry (earrings, necklaces, etc.) is NOT allowed when playing soccer.

FIFA (Federation Internationale de Football Association – the world governing body for soccer) and the CSA are clear in this regard. A player cannot wear something that can hurt themselves or anyone else on the field, i.e. jewelry.

Medical-Alert jewelry or clothing required by player's religion may be worn only if the referee deems it safe and does not give the player an unfair advantage. Medical-Alert jewelry can normally be made safe by wrapping it with tape, with the necessary information showing.

A Player refusing to remove any type of jewelry at the request of the referee (including all external body piercing(s)) will not be permitted to play.

6.5 Head Covering “HIJAB”

The wearing of sports type hijab will be permitted upon a satisfactory pre-game inspection by the referee, as mandated by FIFA rule four, which states all items of clothing or equipment other than the basic equipment must be inspected by the referee and determined to be safe.

- The wearing of other forms of the hijab will also be permitted at the discretion of the referee, but only after a pre-game determination that the hijab does not pose a danger to the wearer or any other player.
- The objective in developing clear guidelines and communicating same is to ensure continuity of implementation across the province.

6.6 Casts/Splints/Athletic Braces

- Hard casts (plaster) are NOT permitted – even if padded.
- Soft Casts – if adequately padded will be allowed if the Referee approves it.
- Braces are permitted – but if it is a hard brace or has edges – it must be padded.
- If a player has a cast or brace to intimidate or with intent to injure – they will be cautioned and sent off the field.

Section 7 Practice Time

8.1 Practice Information

Practices occur normally in school gyms and are held usually any time from Monday – Friday for U5-U19 age groups. The head coach selects their preferred location and time slot for gym practices just prior to the season start date based on a first come first serve process. The schedules/ contracts for gym practices are released to each coach by October 8th. Every effort is made to have teams practice in schools within our zone, however due to a lack of gyms available compared to the amount of teams registered some teams may have to travel outside of their community and or zone for their practice time. Please visit our gyms page for more information on our gyms and the rules that each player/parent/official must abide by. <http://emsanorth.com/play/fields/gym-locations/>

Section 8 Complaints

8.1 How to submit a complaint

In order to submit a complaint about a coach, player, spectator or ref you must first follow the proper steps. Should one of the steps be missed, your complaint will not be looked at.

Step 1

Have you waited the required 24 hours cooling off period?

EMSA North Discipline Committee will NOT review any complaint that is less than 24 hours after the incident.

Step 2

Have you followed the proper chain of command on who you should contact?

PARENT/ PLAYER

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TEAM COACH/ MANAGER

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COMMUNITY DIRECTOR

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EMSA North OFFICE – DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE

If you haven't, then you must contact the right people, the EMSA North will only accept complaints from Community Soccer Directors.