



Ohio South Youth Soccer Association, Inc.

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TO: Ohio South Youth Soccer Membership

FROM: Ohio South Youth Soccer

RE: State League

12/12/11

At the last Board of Directors meeting of Ohio South Youth Soccer, the Board approved a State League (OSSL - Ohio South State League). The league will begin operation in fall of 2012.

The intent of the league is to provide a clear pyramid of promotion and relegation to not only the OSSL, but also the MRL. You will see that the league encompasses many of the rules and regulations of the National Championship Series and MRL as we seek consistency in the environment in which teams play and how they advance within these environments.

In Summary;

League Management

- The OSSL is owned and operated by Ohio South Youth Soccer Association, Inc. (OSYSA)
- The OSYSA Executive Director (Tom Frisbie) will serve as the Commissioner of the State League
- In addition, an OSSL Advisory Committee shall be selected by the OSSL Commissioner

Eligibility

- Any team affiliated with an OSYSA member league may request entry into the OSSL
- Admission will be determined by the following;
 - Top place finish in bracket play in OSYSA State Cup from prior seasonal year
 - Second place finish in bracket play in OSYSA State Cup from prior seasonal year
 - OSSL commissioner shall select remaining available positions in each division based upon team history

Playing Season

- September 1st through August 31st. Exact start and end dates to be determined by OSSL Commissioner. However, it is anticipated that all league games are to be completed by bracket play in State Cup (first weekend in May)

Structure

- U-13, U-14, U-15, U-16, U-17, U-18 and U-19
- A minimum of 4 teams and a maximum of 10 teams per age group division
- A minimum of 6 games and a maximum of 9 games
- One age group division only
- Self Schedule
- Teams will be assigned home and away status per game

Registration

- Teams will register directly with OSSL
- Team fee is anticipated to be \$550.00 and will include administrative and registration fees
 - Spring fees for teams returning from Fall season will be \$250





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- Teams will be responsible for field and referee fees

Rosters

- Teams shall adhere to National Championship Series maximum roster size and player card requirements;
 - For U-13 through 19 age groups: 22 players
- Teams may use Club Player Pass

Substitutions

- U-13 and U-14; Unlimited
- U-15 through U-19; 7 per half with no re-entry in same half

Coaching License Requirements

- All Head coaches are required to have a U.S. Soccer 'D' License (State or National pass)

MRL

- All teams who intend on applying to the MRL must play in the State League. This includes teams who previously played in MRL in the previous season and new teams applying for entry
- **EXCEPTION**.....Teams who played in the National League or MRL Premier Division in the previous season (and retained position) are not required to play in the OSSSL
- OSSSL league placement will become an essential criterion for nomination to MRL.

Please contact the Ohio South State Office with any questions;

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