

POLICY FOR MEMBER LEAGUE APPLICATIONS

All leagues that are applying for membership in Ohio South must have the following items included in the applicant's constitution or other document(s) upon which the applicant organization will operate.

- 1) A statement that all members or other persons associated with the applicant league shall have the right to appeal any disciplinary or other adverse action taken by the applicant league against a member or other person associated with the applicant league to the Ohio South Appeals Committee.
- 2) A statement that the applicant league shall comply with all applicable laws governing non-discrimination and shall be open to membership without discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, citizenship, disability, age sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or veteran status.
- 3) A statement that no member or other person associated with the applicant league shall discriminate against any member or other person associated with the applicant league based upon race, color, religion, national origin, disability, sex, age, sexual orientation, or self-identified gender expression and identification as they present themselves in their daily lives, or veteran status; except that the applicant may have rules for team formation and soccer competitions that classify players and teams based on age, sex, citizenship, disability, amateur status, competitive ability, or as otherwise mandated by FIFA.
- 4) A statement that the applicant league shall comply with all current and future OSYSA constitutional requirements and other OSYSA bylaws, rules and/or policies.
- 5) The applicant league must include a separate statement indicating the number of teams and specific age groups the league has or is projecting to have during the current or coming seasonal year.
- 6) The applicant's league's name or initials based on that name must be different from the name or initials of any current OSYSA member league and may not include any reference to any non-US Youth Soccer organization.