

KENTUCKY YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION



US SOCCER COACHING EDUCATION PATHWAY UPDATES

In January 2018, US Soccer will launch a new coaching education pathway in order to help grow, develop, and strengthen the base for grass roots coaches. The new courses will coincide with the US Soccer Player Development Initiatives launched in 2016. It is the job of US Soccer and its member organizations to establish licenses that will produce better coaches who will, in turn, create better players. The new structure which entails both online and in person courses will replace the US Soccer E and F Licenses while the Development (D) License will replicate the old US Soccer D License.

Kentucky Youth Soccer Technical Committee, along with backing from US Soccer, will be reviewing the minimum coaching standards for select coaches and clubs. "I am excited about the changes - as a nation, we have realize the importance of raising standards from the grassroots through to the elite coaches." Said Kentucky Youth Soccer Technical Director, Adrian Parrish. Parrish has had the opportunity to observe the new curriculum and methodology during the recent US Soccer National Staff training.

Coaches currently possessing a US Soccer License will maintain their license level; however, it has not been established yet where those folks will continue their education on the new pathway. More information will be available once it has been received.

Kentucky Youth Soccer is encouraging all coaches that need a US Soccer E License or above to attend one of the three courses we are offering this November. For more information on these courses, please [click here](#).

Please contact [Adrian Parrish](#), Kentucky Youth Soccer Technical Director if you have any questions.

