



# KANSAS STATE YOUTH SOCCER

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*"The purpose of the Kansas Youth Soccer Association is to promote, foster, and perpetuate the game of soccer throughout the State of Kansas."*

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KSUSA Member Club Administrators & Directors of Coaching,

The cancellation of the 2020 Spring Kansas Youth Soccer State Cup, Presidents Cup, and Junior State Cup has caused us to modify the by-laws and the procedure for conducting tryouts and player's commitments to teams for the 2020/2021 soccer playing season. That being said, we believe we have come up with a way that will allow Clubs, teams, and players to prepare for the new season in a way that allows the clubs to plan, teams to be formed, and gives the players/families the right to do what they feel is in their best interest.

As in the past, we will have a defined period were players will have the ability to make their decision on where they would like to play for the upcoming year.

**The KSUSA Rules currently define "FREE AGENCY PERIOD" as the first Friday in June after the completion of the State Cup Tournament for U10 and younger players and the first Saturday in June after the completion of the State Cup Tournament for U11 and older players.**

Since we are not conducting the State Cup Tournament this year, the rules will temporarily be amended for just 2020 to define "FREE AGENCY PERIOD" as follows:

**THE FREE AGENT PERIOD WILL BEGIN JUNE 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020 AND WILL CLOSE JULY 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020.**

**However, starting June 1<sup>st</sup> 2020, Players/Parents may declare if they are returning to their current club and place a deposit down securing their spot in their current club without going through the tryout process. **A club cannot take a deposit from a current club player/parent prior to June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020.****

**A club CANNOT take a deposit from a player/parent that currently plays outside their club or make the promise to a new player that they will have a spot in a new club or on a new team without going through the tryout process.**

**Also starting June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020, Clubs/teams can open up registration for tryouts. Players/parents can begin sign-up for tryouts if they are seeking an opportunity to look at other clubs. If a player/parent signs up for a tryout outside of their current club, they should not put down a deposit with their current club or team.**

**Tryouts, will begin on June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020, subject to a determination that it is safe to return to group activity by United States Youth Soccer (USYS), State Government or local governments. Social Distancing and/or other requirements will be adhered to during this time as recommend by governing bodies.**

**Players shall remain free agents until July 3, 2020, or until a formal acceptance is made to an offer from a club or team. A Player shall still have ten (10) days from the date of their acceptance in which to rescind their commitment to the club/team without penalty, financial or otherwise.**

Thank you for continuing to help with the messaging to your clubs about KSUSA about our bylaws and policies. Please use the attached FAQ's as a reference for more specific questions. If you have any more questions, please let me know.

Yours in Soccer,

Joe Burger  
Executive Director  
Kansas Youth Soccer