

Policy Modifications to Accommodate U15 Structural Changes

631 Standards for All State-governed Competition Leagues

6313 Scheduling Matches

1. Initial Scheduling
 - a. Process
 - (1) The UYSA scheduler shall produce the initial league schedule within ten (10) days after the competition committee posts its final alignment.
 - (2) Immediately upon completion of the initial schedule, the scheduler shall deliver it to the field assignors in the regions.
 - b. Standards
 - (1) General
 - (a) The scheduler will use his/her best efforts to avoid scheduling conflicting matches for head coaches that coach up to three (3) teams in a season.
 - (b) Each team should not be originally scheduled to play more than three (3) league matches in a two (2) week period. A team may play more than three (3) league matches in a two (2) week period if: (1) it is due to reschedules; or (2) if the team is registered in the U15 age group and such matches are scheduled during the team's high-school-impacted season (fall for girls and spring for boys).
 - (c) The fall season shall start no later than the fourth Saturday in August. The spring season shall start no later than the third Saturday in March.
 - (d) Weekends will not be unscheduled for Spring Breaks designated by school districts or Fall Break.

632 Premier League (PL)

6322 Structure

1. The PL shall offer age-group leagues for boys and girls from U11 to U19.
2. The U13-U19 age groups shall have Premier 1 and Premier 2 divisions, with six (6) teams to nine (9) teams in each division.
3. The U12 age group shall have Premier Black and Premier Silver divisions, with nine (9) teams each.
4. The U11 age group shall have Premier Orange and Premier Purple divisions, with nine (9) teams each.
5. The PL divisions teams shall have one scheduled league in a Seasonal Year play in a single season league, with team alignment conducted only between Seasonal Years.
 - a. In the U11-U14 age groups, teams will play matches during the fall and spring windows, with standings determined by the combined results of fall and spring matches.
 - b. In the U15 age group, teams will be provided a schedule at the beginning of the Seasonal Year as follows, with all matches counting towards division standings:
 - (1) Eight (8) matches scheduled during the team's non-high-school-impacted season (fall for boys and spring for girls);
 - (2) Four (4) matches scheduled during the team's high-school-impacted season (fall for girls and spring for boys); and
 - (3) Four (4) matches to be scheduled by the team's coach.
 - c. In the U16-U19 age groups, boys teams shall play their matches in the fall window and girls teams will play their matches in the spring window.
6. The PDC and CS shall determine the final division sizes.
- ~~7. In the fall, there will be no U16 through U19 girls' leagues.~~
- ~~8.7. In the spring, there will be no U16 through U19 boys' leagues.~~
- ~~9.8. If needed, the PL shall offer a combined U18/U19 bracket for boys' and girls.~~
- ~~10.9. There is no transfer window for players playing-registered to a team competing in the PL.~~

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633 State Competition League (SCL)

6332 Structure

1. The SCL shall offer age-group leagues for boys and girls from U11 to U19.
2. The U13-U19 age groups shall have a First Division, Second Division, and Third Division with ten (10) teams each.
3. The U12 age group shall have a First Division and Second Division with ten (10) teams each.
4. The U11 age group shall have a First Division with ten (10) teams.
5. The SCL divisions shall have the following league seasons:
 - a. In the U11-U14 age groups, the divisions will have two separate leagues each Seasonal Year, play in a fall league and a spring league, with team alignment between the fall and spring seasons/leagues, as well as between the Seasonal Years.
 - b. In the U15 age group, teams will play regular league matches during the fall window and spring window. Team alignment will only take place between Seasonal Years, and only matches played during the team's non-high-school-impacted season will count in the standings and be considered in the alignment process.
 - ~~c. In the U16-U19 age groups, there will be a regular league for teams to compete in during their non-high-school-impacted season and a provisional league, with age groups and divisions as determined by the CS, for players to compete in during their high-school-impacted season. Team alignment will only take place between Seasonal Years, and only matches played during the team's non-high-school-impacted season will count in the standings and be considered in the alignment process.~~
6. The CS shall maintain the First Division, Second Division, and Third Division with ten (10) teams in each division.
- ~~7. In the fall, there will be no U16 through U19 girls' leagues, but there will instead be a provisional league with age groups and divisions as determined by the CS.~~
- ~~8. In the spring, there will be no U16 through U19 boys' leagues, but there will instead be a provisional league with age groups and divisions as determined by the CS.~~
- ~~9.7.~~ If needed, the SCL shall offer a combined U18/U19 division for boys and girls.

6335 Alignment (Team Placement)

1. General Principles
 - a. Team placement and movement in the SCL will be based on previous season performance and "Continuity."
 - b. A team's "Continuity" will be based on the Organizational Member (OM) under which it competes or, in the case of an independent team, on player retention.
 - c. After each season, there will be promotion and relegation between divisions at the time periods and in the manner indicated in Policies 6322, 6332, and 6342, except for the PL, where there will be no promotion or relegation between the Fall and Spring seasons.

634 Interregional League (IRL)

6342 Structure

1. The IRL shall have three (3) zones:
 - a. North Zone – Regions 1 & 2;
 - b. Central Zone – Regions 3 & 4;
 - c. South Zone – Regions 5 & 6.
2. Each IRL zone shall offer age-group leagues for boys and girls from U11 to U19.
3. Each zone age group shall have divisions lettered A, B, C, etc.
 - a. The "A" division shall have nine (9) teams.

- b. The remaining divisions shall have a minimum of five (5) teams and a maximum of eleven (11) teams.
4. The IRL divisions shall have the following league seasons:
 - a. In the U11-U14 age groups, the divisions will have two separate leagues each Seasonal Year, play in a fall league and a spring league, with team alignment between the fall and spring seasons leagues, as well as between the Seasonal Years.
 - b. In the U15 age group, teams will play regular league matches during the fall window and spring window. Team alignment will only take place between Seasonal Years, and only matches played during the team's non-high-school-impacted season will count in the standings and be considered in the alignment process.
 - c. In the U16-U19 age groups, there will be a regular league for teams to compete in during their non-high-school-impacted season and a provisional league, with age groups and divisions as determined by the CS, for players to compete in during their high-school-impacted season. Team alignment will only take place between Seasonal Years, and only matches played during the team's non-high-school-impacted season will count in the standings and be considered in the alignment process.
 4. In the fall, there will be no U16 through U19 girls' leagues, but there will instead be a U17 and U19 provisional league with one division each, or other age groups and divisions as determined by the CS.
 5. In the spring, there will be no U16 through U19 boys' leagues, but there will instead be a U17 and U19 provisional league with one division each, or other age groups and divisions as determined by the CS.
 5. If needed, the IRL shall offer a combined U18/U19 division for boys and girls.