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APPLICATION TO HOST A TOURNAMENT OR GAMES

Name of Tournament or Games Texas Gold Cup Website URL: https://www.smc soccer.com/texas-gold-cup/
Hosting Organization NTSSA Type of Tournament: ☐ Select ☒ Recreational ☐ Select & Rec
Designate Official of Hosting Organization Rob Martella Title President Phone ((469) 207-4739) C
Address 112 Midpoint Dr, Unit A5 Email josh@smc soccer.com Phone () H
City Mineral State VA Zip Code 23117
State Association or Affiliate TX Guest Referees' Applications Accepted ☒ Yes ☐ No
Location of Tournament or Games PIT+ Plano TEAM ENTRY DEADLINE: 05-18-2025
Date(s) of Tournament or Games June 13-15, 2025 Estimated # of Teams 200
Tournament or Games Director or Contact Person Josh Meyer Phone ((469) 207-4739) C
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Age Groups Accepted	Type(s) of Team Accepted *	B	G	Roster Size	# Guest Players Allowed	Length of Games	# Players on Field	Awards	Minimum # of Games	Entry Fee	Bond
U- 7U-8U	ACADEMY	☒	☒	8	0	32	4	☒	3	\$ 390	☐
U- 8U-10U	ACADEMY	☒	☒	12	0	50	7	☒	3	\$ 590	☐
U- 10U-12U	S1-S4	☒	☒	16	5	60	9	☒	3	\$ 690	☐
U- 12U-14U	S1-S4	☒	☒	18	5	70	11	☒	3	\$ 750	☐
U- 15U-19U	S1-S4	☒	☒	22	5	70	11	☒	3	\$ 825	☐
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*List of types of teams and tournaments is on the 2nd page of this form.

- ☐ RT RESTRICTED TOURNAMENT –Open only to members of US Youth Soccer and its State Associations.
- ☐ Team will be restricted to teams within the state association ☐ Teams will be invited from all US Youth State Associations/Affiliates only.
- ☒ UT UNRESTRICTED TOURNAMENT Other US Soccer Members as listed: _____
- ☒ International
- ☒ Teams as listed: _____

The Hosting Organization agrees to be bound by and comply with the terms contained in the TOURNAMENT AND GAMES HOSTING AGREEMENT and all applicable rules of the approving State Association or Affiliate.

Signature of Designated Official of Hosting Organization

[Signature] Signed at: 2024-08-26 10:10:23

Date 08/26/2024

APPROVAL

(For Official Use Only) STATE ASSOCIATION OR AFFILIATE

RM

Signed at: 2024-08-28 15:01:03

Date 08-28-2024

By Rob Martella

Title Tournament Director

North Texas Soccer Association

RECOMMENDED DEFINITIONS OF TEAMS AND TOURNAMENTS

(Place corresponding letter in appropriate space on application.)

TYPES OF TOURNAMENTS

UT UNRESTRICTED TOURNAMENT: A tournament that is open to all Federation affiliated participants. Any tournament that allows international participants must be an Unrestricted Tournament.

RT RESTRICTED TOURNAMENT: A tournament that is open only to members of US Youth Soccer and its State Associations.

SELECT TEAMS (teams formed by a selection or tryout process):

- S1** generally a team which competes at the highest level of play in a state or region
- S2** generally a team which competes at other than the highest level of play in a state or region
- S3** generally a team which competes in a local area or state

TOURNAMENT SELECT TEAMS

- S4** a team which is put together for the sole purpose of playing in a tournament or other sanctioned non-league competition, whose roster includes select players who are members of one club.

RECREATIONAL TEAMS

- RT** a team which was formed in a random nature without regard to players' abilities.

US YOUTH SOCCER OLYMPIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

ODP TEAM: the official US Youth Soccer Olympic Development team of US Youth Soccer, any of its regions, a State Association, an Affiliate, other Organization Member, or any district or geographical subdivisions thereof.

NATIONAL TEAM: the official national team of US Soccer or any other member of FIFA.

APPLYING TO HOST RESTRICTED TOURNAMENT(S) OR GAME(S)

These procedures apply when hosting **ONLY** US Youth Soccer State Association or US Youth Soccer Affiliates teams for tournaments or games.

Applications, agreements to host and other required information must be submitted as provided by the designated approving association or affiliate to include:

Not later than the date established by the State Association or Affiliate for submitting an Application to Host a Tournament or Games, the hosting organization must submit to its State Association or Affiliate and, if any game is to be played in another State Association or Affiliate, to that other State Association or Affiliate, for approval a completed Application to Host a Tournament or Games signed by the designated official of the hosting organization and the following items:

- a) a completed US Youth Soccer Tournament or Games Hosting Agreement, with appropriate supporting documents and information, signed by the president or chief officer or designee of the hosting organization and by the tournament or games director;
- b) a copy of the approved Rules for the Tournament or Games; and
- c) any fees required by the State Association or Affiliate for processing the application. **Incomplete applications will be returned and considered as not having ever been submitted.**

The State Association or Affiliate is not required to approve any application not submitted by the deadline established by the State Association or Affiliate. Any application which is not submitted in a timely manner may be subject to late fees if approved. The team must contact its State Association for its specific policies and fees.

The State Association or US Youth Soccer Affiliate shall make a determination as to whether or not they will sanction the tournament or games in accordance with the policies they have established within their organization for the sanctioning of tournaments or games.

APPLYING TO HOST UNRESTRICTED TOURNAMENTS INCLUDING INTERNATIONAL TEAMS (TEAMS FROM OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES) AND OTHER FEDERATION ORGANIZATION MEMBERS

The provisions below are in addition to those required as stated above under "Applying to Host Restricted Tournaments or Games". All those provisions so stated above must also be complied with.

For all tournaments and games involving international teams (teams from outside the United States), the Rules for the Tournament or Games must comply with the following substitution requirements. For matches involving players under 16 years of age, the number of substitutions allowed is as provided by the Rules of the Tournament or Game. For all other matches, the number of substitutions is as agreed to prior to the match and the referee is informed prior to the match of that number. The number agreed to can be as provided in the Rules of the Tournament or Game.

The completed US Soccer forms Application to Host a Tournament or Games Involving Foreign Teams and Certification Regarding Compliance with the Ted Stevens and Olympic Amateur Sports Act, must be submitted and approved by the hosting State Association or US Youth Soccer Affiliate and any additional fees required by the State Association, Affiliate and/or the United States Soccer Federation for processing the application.

For all teams that are not members of US Youth Soccer or a US Youth Soccer Affiliate, Proof of medical and liability insurance must be provided by their organization of registration



North Texas Soccer
Member Association Tournament or Games Hosting Agreement



In consideration of permission being granted to (Hosting Organization) NTSSA
to hold a tournament, event, or game at (City) Plano, TX (Fields) PIT+
on the dates of June 13-15, 2025

1. **ABIDE BY RULES:** We shall abide by all statements made in our approved US Youth Soccer *Application to Host A Tournament or Games*, in our tournament invitation, in our tournament rules, in the US Youth Soccer *Travel and Tournament Policy*, and in this North Texas Soccer Member Association *Tournament or Games Hosting Agreement*. We agree that all decisions regarding acceptance of teams into a tournament shall be fairly and impartially made and shall not be based upon race, creed, color or national origin.
2. **USE OF US SOCCER REGISTERED REFEREES:** We agree that we shall, in accordance with US Soccer Bylaw 532, use for all games only US Soccer registered referees who are in good standing (unless US Soccer has granted a waiver to allow the use of authorized referees from another country), and shall use a one- or 3-referee system. We intend to use a 3-referee system for the following age groups: U7-U19
There will be an adequate number of US Soccer registered referees available in the area during the tournament or game dates to cover the scheduled games. We have selected the following assignor to assign referees for the tournament or games
(NOTE: **ONLY US Soccer certified assignors may be used.**):

Referee Assignor TRACEY LYNN MCELHONE Association GLASA Phone () (214) 850-0664 Cell
Address _____ Email _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____

3. **TOURNAMENT OR GAME RULES – BEHAVIOR:** We agree that our tournament or game rules contain provisions ensuring that the behavior of teams, players, coaches, and spectators is appropriately controlled, including specific provisions that—
a. spell out the disciplinary measures to be imposed for the issuance of red and yellow cards or other improper conduct;
b. indicate what procedures will be followed regarding protests and appeals;
c. indicate that all disciplinary measures imposed by hosting organizations shall be limited to placing restrictions upon an individual's group participation in the tournament/games;
d. record the issuance of all red and yellow cards and other matters involving the conduct of a team, its players, coaches, and supporters and also report them immediately to the home State Association and the home club/league of the team; and
e. state that the home State Association or Affiliate and the home club or league shall, except in the case of referee assault or abuse, have the responsibility for imposing, should circumstances warrant, additional penalties within their respective jurisdictions with regard to any matters arising from the tournament or games.
4. **TOURNAMENT CANCELLATION:** We agree that if inclement weather cancels the tournament prior to the completion of a team's first scheduled game of the tournament, a maximum of fifty percent (50%) of the team's entry fee may be retained by the tournament to cover start-up cost of the tournament.
5. **POST TOURNAMENT OR GAMES REPORT:** We agree that we shall file a Post Tournament or Games Report with North Texas Soccer within 14 days after the conclusion of the tournament or games. We understand that failure to file the report shall preclude the tournament/games host from receiving approval for any tournament/games for the following seasonal years until the report is filed. The Post Tournament or Games Report shall include the following information:
a. the number of teams participating in each age group (boys and girls);
b. the number of teams from each State Association, Affiliate, other Organization Member, or foreign country; and
c. the names and teams of all players issued red and yellow cards, and details of any other matters involving the improper or unsportsmanlike conduct of a team, its players, coaches or supporters. **NOTE: Any incident of referee assault or referee abuse by a player, coach, manager, club official, or game official, or other incidents of a serious nature, must be reported to North Texas Soccer immediately, but in no event later than 48 hours after an incident of referee assault or abuse.**

By signing this document I agree to abide by the rules listed above.

Signed at:
2024-08-26 10:10:23

08-26-2024

Tournament Director Signature

Date

Josh Meyer

Tournament Director Printed Name