



# MYSA 2014 LEAGUE

The intent of this document is to explain the current League system structure and management. MYSA's goal is to stratify the player development system and create an environment more focused on the **quality** not the quantity of the soccer experience for each level of play we currently offer.



This system will provide a more appropriate soccer experience for each level of play. The current system creates multiple tiers of play.

Premiere NCS/FWRL	Select	Classic
	U19 (11 v 11)	U19 (11 v 11 With reduce to eq)
U18 (11 v 11)		
U16 (11 v 11)	U16 (11 v 11)	
U14 (11 v 11)	U14 (11 v 11)	U14 (11 v 11 reduce to eq)
U13 (11 v 11)	U13 (11 v 11)	
		U12 (8 v 8 reduce to eq)
		U11 (8 v 8 reduce to eq)
		U10 (6 v 6 reduce to eq)

## Goals:

1. Allow 13 and up to participate in NCS play.
2. Continues to allow U12 to play to a champion at the Showcase tournament.
3. Classic will be 6v6 for U10, 8v8 for the U11/12 ages and an 11v11 for 14/19 ages with a “reduce to equate” rule for all Classic divisions.
4. U9 – U12 Classic and U13 – 16 Select will be allowed to have players 1 year younger without waivers. U14/19 Classic and 19 Select will be allowed players 3 years younger as part of a normal roster process.
5. U13 – 18 PPL teams will be allowed players 1 year younger without waivers.

The goal of the Premiere division focused on placing the teams in the Premiere Players League (PPL) that would have a reasonable opportunity to perform at the regional level. We created an environment that allows for a combined/region selection process to attempt to create the correct type of teams. Any club may apply to sponsor a PPL team in any of the 8 divisions. We will encourage areas to create one team at each division for the area. A participating club may recruit **ANY** player within its area to participate on its MYSA approved PPL team. We need to stress this is not a participation league. Parents should **not** expect that their child will see a single minute of game play time. This is only for the seriously competitive player. Any club who does not sponsor a team but has players that may qualify is encouraged to help the players make contacts with sponsoring clubs.

Second, we would allow the winner of the PPL Tournament (now called the NCS State Cup) to play at the FWRL level the following year. The NCS State Cup winner will attend the Regional NCS Cup “Regionals” and the runner-up will attend the regional President’s Cup.

Lastly, PPL play requirements are 3 weekends on **SUNDAYS**. These weeks will be the 3rd weekend of April and first 2 weekends in May, with the PPL Cup falling on Memorial Day weekend. In doing this we will have created an environment that allows for proper seeding and the freedom to choose other venues during the spring season.

The tournament is now known as the NCS State Cup. This event would be held over one weekend. The first day being pool play and the second being finals. This also allows us to assign better venues for play and more experienced referees to the matches of the Cup. Proposed cost to enter the PPL is \$1600 per team. This will cover qualifier and league fees with some money going to the NCS champions. This fee will be due upon application to the PPL.

## 2014 League System

Our Select league will not see any drain on participation and with PPL play on Sundays we will maintain the level of completion for the Select Teams.

The Classic League will be expanded and include a U14 division. With this league focusing on our newest entries into competitive soccer, we believe we should be able to serve all of our athletes at the level they deserve.

The date conflicts of the past created a lack of participation. State Cup will be the second weekend in June and the Showcase will be the fourth weekend in June. U12 will play to a final champion in each division and the U13 to a championship. This should allow for greater player development.

The newly designed Leagues work to allow for better team formation and planning. This will greatly assist in scheduling and meeting the needs of the groups the leagues are designed to serve. The end result will be better league play at appropriate levels for each division.

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### **Premier League Purpose:**

Is an interclub league in which no rule restricts the manner in which players may be rostered to participating teams, except for:

- (A) The use of tryouts, invitations, recruiting, or any similar process to roster players selectively to any team on the basis of talent or ability, is required while prohibiting unethical recruiting behavior; and
- (B) Encourage the participation of players previously rostered to other teams at any level throughout the area; and
- (C) Comply with all roster limitations set forth in the National Championship Series.

The teams that compete in this league do so to:

- (A) Select a team to represent MYSA in the National Championship series; and
- (B) Strive to perform at the **highest** level within the State, Region and at FWRL; and
- (C) **Have a complete understanding that there is no guarantee of any game play time.**

### **Select League Purpose:**

Is an interclub league in which:

- (A) The use of tryouts, invitations, recruiting, or any similar process to roster players selectively to any team on the basis of talent or ability, is permitted; and
- (B) One or more Montana league rules may restrict the manner in which players may be rostered to participating teams; and
- (C) Create a venue where players may develop skills and game understanding without the pressure and rigorous demand placed on them by regional contests.

The teams that compete in this league do so to:

- (A) Do **not** represent MYSA in the National Championship series; and
- (B) Are developing players for entrance into the Premiere League; and
- (C) Clubs looking for peer in-state competition; and
- (D) Participate in the Montana State Cup or Montana Showcase at U13

**Classic League Purpose:**

IS an interclub league in which:

- (A) The use of tryouts, invitations, recruiting or any similar process to roster players selectively to any team on the basis of pure talent or ability is prohibited; and
- (B) The club or clubs administering the league accept as participants in the league any and all eligible youths (subject to reasonable terms of registration) as participation is the priority; and
- (C) Create a means by which members may grow beyond the bounds of local soccer; and
- (D) The league does not otherwise meet the definition of a recreational club league.

The teams that compete in this league do so to:

- (A) Do not represent MYSA in the National Championship series; and
- (C) Expand competition levels through travel
- (D) Primary focus is on player participation
- (E) Participate in the Montana Showcase or Montana State Cup at U14 or U19