

## Region 177 Spring Select / Tournament Team Policy

It is the commitment of Region 177 to encourage play for as many Region 177 players as possible to enable them the opportunity to compete at a higher level of competition and to improve their skills for the next season while enjoying the game of soccer.

1. Players may not play on more than one team at any time.
2. Coaches interested in taking a spring team during the Spring Season must submit their name by **the end of January** to the Spring Coordinator in writing or email, utilizing the Spring Select Team Coach Request Form. No exceptions.
3. Coaches must be Board-approved and in good standing with the Region during the most recent Fall season.
4. Coaches cannot approach a player to play on a spring team until they have been approved by the board. If there is more than one Spring coach in a division, **it will be decided how to evenly distribute possible players**. Spring team rosters must be submitted to the Regional Commissioner for approval. Tournament rules must be submitted to Regional Commissioner when submitting roster for Commissioner's signature. The Regional Commissioner will approve or deny the roster within 5 working days of submission.
5. Players who are on a post-season playoff or all-star team may NOT practice with a tournament or Spring Team until their post-season play is completed, unless there are no conflicts.
6. If a Coach wants to invite a player from another region to play on their tournament team, the coach must obtain a release letter from the player's Regional Commissioner approving the release of said player. The letter must have the following information: Player's AYSO ID #, birth date, address, phone number, parent's name. This letter must be submitted with the team roster. Said player can not practice with or play a game with said Tournament Team until a release letter is received and approved by the Regional Commissioner in Region 177.
7. A limited number of guest players will be approved to participate on a Region 177 Tournament Team per tournament. Participation is dependent on the rules for the tournaments that the team is entering.
8. A budget, which must include a breakdown of items to be purchased (i.e. uniforms), planned tournaments, and the cost per player noted, must be turned into the Spring Coordinator by the end of **February**. A copy of the budget must be given to the parents.
9. Parents and or players are responsible for all costs, including uniforms, tournament, and referee fees.
10. Uniforms must comply with AYSO uniform rules and may not have player names printed on the uniform.
11. Once a Spring /Tournament Team has been approved, the Head Coach and the Regional Commissioner will have copies of the team roster. If there is more than one Spring/Tournament Team in the same division and a player is listed on one

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- team and wishes to drop and join another team, the PARENT of said player must inform the original Tournament Team Head Coach of their decision to drop from the team. Spring Players are entitled to play for which ever Coach they wish and should not be harassed on their decision to drop off the team. Coaches who interfere with hinder or generate complaints from players and/or parents dropping from a tournament team may be removed from coaching.
12. Tournament rules will supersede established Regional Rules except when items are not addressed in tournament rules and/or when Regional Rules are stricter. However the 3/4 rule does not apply for Spring/Tournament Teams. Instead, it is replaced with a requirement that all players play for at least ½ of each game.
  13. Tournament Teams may not be formed in U05 or U06 (peewee).
  14. Requests for region checks for tournament play must be submitted via email with a minimum 3 days notice, noting payee, amount, coach's name, address, phone # and team division. Before a check is released a copy of the tournament application is required, with reimbursement to the region. (NOTE: Last minute requests may not be honored, as two signatures are required on Region177 checks. This involves coordination among several parties.)
  15. The Region 177 Board of Directors will be entrusting in you the care and welfare of these players plus the long-term welfare of our region's soccer program. It is the Board of Directors' desire that every coach and player return the following year to our Fall program in order to share with other players in Region 177 their experiences and skills acquired during the Division, All-star and Select seasons. It is further understood that if the coach elects to leave and takes these players to another program, it may exempt this coach from any future participation in Region 177.