

2026 Team Admin Packet



April 20-May 6th, 2026

Coach/Team Administrator:

Congratulations on your team's acceptance into Utah's Spring State Cup 2026 presented by Intermountain Health! In preparation for State Cup please read through the following packet carefully as it will answer many of your questions and ensure that your team is prepared for check-in.

Location

Regional Athletic Complex, Salt Lake City

Roster Freeze

- **Wednesday April 15th, 2026 at 11:59 PM**

- The UYSA office is open Monday – Friday from 9am -5pm

Dates during Tournament

U13-U19

April 20-21; 23-25: Pool Play	April 27-28: Quarterfinals	April 29-30: Semifinals	May 4-7^: Finals
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^U15-U19 Finals are currently slated for May 4th -9th (TBD) . These dates are pending availability at America First Field. There is a possibility that those dates and location will change due to factors at AFF. U13 and U14's will play at Zions Bank Stadium on May 4th.

U11-U12

April 20-21; 23-25: Pool Play	April 27 th : Quarterfinals	April 28 th : Semifinals	April 30 th : Final
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Mandatory Team Managers Video

We have developed an online video (about 25 mins) for all managers and coaches to watch when is best for you. This video is important, and will provide you with a relevant information for your team. There is no way of me tracking that you watch this video, but I strongly encourage you to do so.

Video:

<https://youtu.be/WxKVyN5R1Z8>

Draw

- Seeding Release Wednesday March 25th, 2026 (Evening)

- Draw will take place on Thursday March 26th, 2026

Draw Format **(please note that the U18 and U19 age groups are combined and will not fall under any of these formats):**

16 teams: 4 groups. Seeds 1-4 pre-aligned in line 1. 3 pots. Pot 1 seeds 5-8 drawn into line 2 starting with A2 slot. Pot 2 seeds 9-12 drawn into line 3 starting with A3 slot. Pot 3 seeds 13-16 drawn into line 4 starting with A4 slot.

14 teams: 3 groups. 2 groups of 4, 1 group of 6. Seeds 1-3 pre-aligned in line 1. Seed 4 placed in C4 slot. 3 pots. Pot 1 seeds 5-8 drawn into line 2 and C5 slot starting with A2 slot. Pot 2 seeds 9-12 drawn into line 3 and C6 slot starting with A3 slot. Pot 4 seeds 13-14 drawn into line 4 beginning with A4 slot.

12 teams: 3 groups. Seeds 1-3 pre-aligned in line 1. 3 pots. Pot 1 seeds 4-6 drawn into line 2 starting with A2 slot. Pot 2 seeds 7-9 drawn into line 3 starting with A3 slot. Pot 3 seeds 10-12 drawn into line 4 starting with A4 slot.

10 teams: 2 groups. Seeds 1 and 2 pre-aligned in line 1. 4 pots. Pot 1 seeds 3-4 drawn into line 2 starting with A2 slot. Pot 2 seeds 5-6 drawn into line 3 starting with A3 slot. Pot 4 seeds 7-8 drawn into line 4 starting with A4 slot. Pot 4 seeds 9-10 drawn into line 5 starting with A5 slot.

8 teams: 2 groups. Seeds 1-2 pre-aligned in line 1. 3 pots. Pot 1 seeds 3-4 drawn into line 2 starting with A2 slot. Pot 2 seeds 5-6 drawn into line 3 starting with A3 slot. Pot 3 seeds 7-8 drawn into line 4 starting with A4 slot.

6 teams: 2 groups. 2 teams pre-aligned in line 1. 2 pots. Pot 1 seeds 3-4 drawn into line 2 starting with A2 slot. Pot 2 seeds 5-6 drawn into line 3 starting with A3 slot.

The draw will be done live this year. We will start with Boys 11U at 1:00 PM. Each draw will have a 15 minute time slot and will proceed in the following order after Boys 11U:

Boys 12U (Est. Time 1:15 PM)

Girls 11U (Est. Time 1:30 PM)

Girls 12U (Est. Time 1:45 PM)

Girls 13U (Est. Time 2:00 PM)

Girls 14U (Est. Time 2:15 PM)

Girls 15U (Est. Time 2:30 PM)

Girls 16U (Est. Time 2:45 PM)

Girls 17U (Est. Time 3:00 PM)

Girls 18/19U (Est. Time 3:15 PM)

Schedule Release

- The schedule will be released by **Friday April 3rd, 2026 by 5 PM Mountain Time.**

Everyone will be emailed once the schedule is ready. Please note that all knockout game schedules will not be released until pool play has concluded to try and avoid coaching conflicts.

Schedule Requests

Schedule requests* will be accepted until Sunday **March 29th, 2026**. Send request to mwixom@uysa.org. Any requests made after this date will not be considered. If you have schedule needs please make sure to request them prior to the deadline.

*Please note that a request is **not guaranteed**. The tournament has the right to create the schedule that best suits what it needs. We will work to try to accommodate. Several factors go into accommodation and we try our best to grant all on-time requests.

Game Times:

This is only an ANTICIPATED SCHEDULE of times. We reserve the right to change as needed.

11U-12U

April 20-24: 3:30 pm, 5:00 pm, 6:30 pm

April 25: 9:00 am, 10:30 am, 12:00 pm, 1:30 pm

April 27-30: 4:00 pm, 6:00 pm

13U-19U

April 20-24: 4:00 pm, 6:00 pm, 8:00 pm

April 25: 9:00 am, 11:00 am, 1:00 pm, 3:00 pm

April 27-30: 4:00 pm, 6:15 pm, 8:30 pm

May 4th (U13-U14): 6:30 pm, 8:30 pm

May 5-9th (U15-19) TBD

Team Check -in

There isn't really a check-in process anymore. The roster freeze serves as your team's check-in. You can make changes up until the roster freeze which is April 15, 2026 at 11:59 PM. All rosters will lock at that point, and no changes will be permitted.

ROSTERS

- **Each team (coach or admin) must create a tournament roster for State Cup**
 - Each team will be using the Digital Player Cards at game check-in. Follow this link (<https://uysa.affinitysoccer.com/m/pass/index.aspx>) to access Digital Player Cards. Please make sure that a coach or admin listed on your Affinity roster has a device that can access the Digital

Player Cards before each game. We ask that each team have the rosters pulled up on a capable device.

- **Each team and their club are responsible for ensuring their rosters are compliant with all State Cup rules.**
- **IMPORTANT** – your roster must be created by Roster Freeze date at 11:59 pm MST (April 15, 2026). Tournament Roster Instructions are below.

Tournament Roster Instructions for Digital Player Cards and Player Roster for Check-in

Only a coach or admin who is rostered to the team can create a roster.

1. Go to www.utahyouthsoccer.net. Login in under member login which is located on the top right hand of the front page.

You will now be on the “My Account” page.

2. Click the “Teams” tab under your family information
3. Click on the “Tournament & Schedule Apps” tab
4. Find the Team you are editing the roster for
5. Click “View Tourn. App.” To the right of the “Utah Fall State Cup 2024”
6. Click the grey “Player Roster” tab at the top of the page

To Deactivate a Player that will not be attending State Cup with your team

- a. To the right of the Player’s Name uncheck the “Active” Box to deactivate that player.
- b. To save the changes to your active players click on the “Set Active Players” button at the bottom of the page

7. Enter jersey numbers for ALL of the players on the roster
 - a. Click on the “Edit Player Team Info” in the bottom right hand corner of the page.
 - b. Enter the “Home” and “Away” jersey number for ALL the players on the roster.
 - c. Click the “Save Changes” button in the bottom right hand corner to save the jersey numbers you have entered

8. Click the “Player Roster” tab at the top of the page

9. Verify that Roster is correct:

Are all the players traveling with your team on the roster?

Do all the players have pictures uploaded and are they the correct size?






Have all the jersey numbers for the players on your roster been entered?




No changes will be allowed to roster after the roster freeze deadline

Below is an example of what your roster should look like when printed. Your pictures will be small thumbnails next to the name of the player.

UYSA Demo - Boys 14 Under (04)
0123-01RB10-0045 - Player Roster

PLAYER ROSTER STATS						
registered	loaned	transferred	active	inactive	total	
11	0	0	11	0	11	
11 players defined of the 18 allowed						

Home Jrs#	Away Jrs#	Name	ID#	DOB	Gender	Player Status	Transfer Date	ODP Level	Active?	
1	1	Armstrong, Franklin	 88654-976901	7/31/2004	Boy	Registered			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Assign
2	2	Bird, Schroeder	 63589-408791	5/1/2004	Boy	Registered			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Assign
3	3	Bird, Woodstock	 65143-230924	4/1/2004	Boy	Registered			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Assign
4	4	Brown, Charlie	 99475-767329	1/1/2004	Boy	Registered			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Assign
6	6	Brown, Snoopy	 98497-645512	1/1/2004	Boy	Registered			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Assign
7	7	Carlin, Marcie	 98420-878619	5/1/2004	Girl	Registered			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Assign
8	8	Jetson, Elroy	 13365-665702	7/4/2004	Boy	Registered			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Assign
9	9	Patty, Peppermint	 53625-688243	3/1/2004	Girl	Registered			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Assign
10	10	Schulz, Pig-Pen	 17791-472339	6/1/2004	Boy	Registered			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Assign
11	11	van Pelt, Linus	 59965-590584	2/1/2004	Boy	Registered			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Assign
12	12	van Pelt, Lucy	 36796-562415	2/1/2004	Girl	Registered			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Assign

-  = Disciplinary Problem
-  = Transferred
-  = Player is ineligible for this tournament

TOURNAMENT RULES AND INFORMATION

Please review the rules! While we will do our best to inform you of anything we can to assist with understanding of State Cup rules, it is ultimately your responsibility to know and understand. There have been a number of changes for the 2025-26 seasonal year so we highly encourage you to read them closely. Please follow this link to the tournament rules and reach out with any questions:

[Tournament Rules](#)

Some important rules to note:

Seeding:

All Teams participating in the Girls 13U-17U; 18/19U age group brackets will be seeded as follows:

1. 1st seed: Last year's State Cup champion (A1)
 - a. State Cup champion, regardless of current year club affiliation, must maintain a roster continuity of 50% + 1 from the roster of the previous year State Cup
2. 2nd seed: Last season's Premier 1 champion (B1)

- a. Premier 1 champion, regardless of current year club affiliation, must maintain a roster continuity of 50% + 1 from the roster of the previous year's league roster
3. MLS Next 2, or ECNL (does not include ECNL RL) teams will be seeded in the following way:
 - a. All teams will be placed into one pot, and drawn randomly. Teams will be seeded beginning with 3rd based on when they are drawn until there are no more remaining teams.
4. All remaining teams will be seeded based on most recent UYSA alignment. All other teams not participating in the UYSA gaming league will be seeded at the discretion of the SCC.
 - a. Teams must maintain a roster continuity of at 50% + 1 from previous year's league roster

Roster Limit:

- Max 22 rostered players, 18 for active game day roster for U13-U19.
- Any players not participating in the event with your team must be marked as inactive, and if they intend to play in Presidents Cup or Spring State Cup you must make that known prior to the roster freeze. You can disclose that by using this [google form](#).
- Multi-roster players will not be allowed at the event. In order for a multi-roster player to show on your roster they must be removed from the roster of the team they will not be playing State Cup with.

Coaches:

- Head Coaches are required to have "D" license.
- Assistant Coaches are required to have a "Grassroots" license. (A waiver will suffice for 2024-25).
- No more than 4 admins on a sideline. Those allowed on sideline must be on the roster.
- Please watch your behavior on the sidelines. Any ejection is an automatic (1) game suspension with no appeal.
- DOC's will have VIP passes on a lanyard. These will be available at the tournament HQ trailer. Please let us know if your club has more than one DOC.
 - There will be a limit of 2 per club but those people must be DOCs.

Red Cards:

- We will be running a red card report from last year's State Cup. If any players received a red card last year that wasn't served during the tournament, in regionals or nationals they will have to serve the suspension this year. You will be notified if we find anything.
- If any players receive a red card this year and the suspension is not served during State Cup (usually due to red card being given on last game) the red card will carry over to regionals, nationals or next year's State Cup.
- Beginning in 2025-26, there is now a red card appeals process. Only 1 red card per team per event may be appealed.

Eligibility

- Teams and players may only participate in 1 State Cup event per seasonal year (2025-26). Spring 2026 is considered the same seasonal year as Fall 2025. Teams and players in State Cup may not play in Presidents Cup in the same seasonal year.
- Teams and Clubs are responsible for ensuring their compliance with all State Cup Roster Rules. We will be tracking compliance as best we can, but ultimately the responsibility falls on the Teams and Clubs. Ignorance to the rules is not a valid excuse.

Champions and Wildcards:

- By entering the US Youth National Soccer Championship Series, each team agrees to appear for and to compete in every scheduled match for whom it qualifies, including any and all National Championship

matches. Each team also agrees to assume full responsibility for the financial and travel requirements associated with competition at the Regional and National levels. Teams that win State Cup or receive the Wild Card for that age will advance to Nationals or face being placed in “Member in Bad Standing” until a fine of \$3000 is paid to UYSA. The fine and “Member in Bad Standing” will be placed first against the team, then the coach and finally the club.

- **We understand that there is the potential for outside events to conflict with USYS National Championships. Please note that the policy above will still apply in those instances, and teams will be fined if they choose not to advance to regionals upon winning State Cup.**

FAQ Roster Questions

- **Can I club pass?**
 - Yes, you can club pass. You can only club pass if you currently have empty roster spots. If you have a maxed-out roster you cannot deactivate players to club pass another player.
- **How many guest players can I use?**
 - There no guest players allowed for State Cup, only club passed players
- **What about multi-rostered players?**
 - Multi-roster players will not be allowed at the event. In order for a multi-roster player to show on your roster they must be removed from the roster of the team they will not be playing State Cup with. The multi-roster can be reinstated after the event.
- **I have a player who plans on playing in Presidents Cup 2026. Can they play in both tournaments?**
 - No player is eligible to play in both State Cup and Presidents Cup in the same seasonal year. If the player is rostered to a State Cup team they must be disclosed prior to the roster freeze to ensure eligibility for Presidents Cup. You can do that [here](#)

FACILITIES

- No scooters, hoover boards, roller blades, or anything similar.
- No smoking

FACILITIES/TOURNAMENT RULES AND INFORMATION

FIELD ASSIGNMENTS & SCHEDULES

Schedules released in advance of the tournament are subject to change. All release dates are found on UYSA website on the State cup webpage. Reconfirm your schedule. Pay attention to field assignments for each day of tournament play. Field assignments may change during the tournament. You will be advised by email and phone/text if changes are made within 24 hours of scheduled play.

Team tents and benches are provided at State Cup. In case of weather, we will take down the tents if we feel they could become a safety hazard.

Utah Youth Soccer thanks you for your participation and wishes you and your players' good luck!!

Thank you,
Utah Youth Soccer Association