

2027 Team Admin Packet

Oct 6th-22nd, 2026

Location

Regional Athletic Complex, Salt Lake City

Coach/Team Administrator:

Congratulations on your team's acceptance into Utah's Fall 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.

Roster Freeze

- Wednesday Sept 27th, 2026 at 11:59 PM

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

Dates during Tournament

U13-U19 Finals

^U15-U19 Finals are currently slated for Oct 21-22, 2026 (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 the RAC on Oct 17th.

Mandatory Team Power Point

We have developed a powerpoint (about 20 mins) for all managers and coaches to watch when is best for you. This is important, and will provide you with relevant information for your team. This can be found on here [HERE](#)

Draw

- Seeding Release Thursday Sept 17th, 2026 (Evening)
- Draw will take place on Friday 18th, 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.:

13U (Est. Time 2:00 PM)

14U (Est. Time 2:15 PM)

15U (Est. Time 2:30 PM)

16U (Est. Time 2:45 PM)

17U (Est. Time 3:00 PM)

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

Schedule Release

- The schedule will be released by **Tuesday Sept 22rd, 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 Friday Sept 18th 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.

13U-19U

Oct 6-9, 12-14: 4:00 pm, 6:00 pm, 8:00 pm

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

Oct 14-16 : 4:00 pm, 6:15 pm, 8:30 pm

Oct 17th 11:00am, 2:00pm

Oct 21-22 (U15-19) TBD

Team Check -in

All State Cup check-in will be completed online through GotSport. Please make sure all of the following items are completed and uploaded no later than 11:59 PM on Sunday, September 27.

1. Build Your Event Roster in GotSport
 - a. Your State Cup event roster must be built in GotSport. Uniform numbers and photos are required for every player listed on the roster.
 - i. How to build your event roster in GotSport:
<https://support.gotsport.com/how-do-i-build-an-event-roster-coach/manager>
2. Upload Your UYSA Tournament Only Roster
 - a. Upload a clear photo or PDF of your official UYSA Tournament Only Roster to the appropriate section of your GotSport registration.
3. Upload Player and Coach Cards
 - a. Upload a clear image or PDF of the player and coach cards for everyone listed on your roster. These cards can be obtained through your club registrar.
 - i. How to upload your Tournament Only Roster and player/coach cards into GotSport:
<https://support.gotsport.com/how-do-i-upload-documents-for-online-check-in>

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 2026-27 seasonal year so we highly encourage you to read them closely.

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, 22 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](#). Players may only participate on ONE state cup team regardless of age groups.

Coaches:

- Head Coaches are required to have "D" license.
- Assistant Coaches are required to have a "Grassroots" license.
- 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 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.
- 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 (2026-27. Fall 2026 is considered the same seasonal year as Spring 2027. 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
- **I have a player who plans on playing in Presidents Cup 2027. 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

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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 for State Cup on all fields but Field #1 - In case of weather, we will take down the tents if we feel they could become a safety hazard.

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

Thank you,
Utah Soccer Federation