



Cumberland United-Unis Soccer Club

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CHOOSING AN OYSL TEAM

SCOPE

The Ontario Youth Soccer League (OYSL) is the highest Youth League in Ontario and requires extra commitment (over and above Level 3) from the players, parents and team officials to be successful. The following guidelines shall be adhered to by teams when considering an OYSL team position.

1.0 DECISION TO FIELD AN OYSL TEAM

- 1.1 Due to the onerous rules and regulations put on Clubs by the OYSL, the decision to field an OYSL team must be made by the CUSC Board of Directors and not made solely by the Coach and/or parents.
- 1.2 The decision to field an OYSL team shall be initiated immediately after the season ends where the potential to field a team exists.

2.0 TEAM COMPOSITION AND EVALUATIONS

- 2.1 Ideally the team that is chosen should consist of players that were CUSC members prior to winning the OYSL spot. In no case shall the team consist of less than 50 percent of CUSC members from the previous year's team.
- 2.2 The selection of players to the OYSL team shall be made by agreement between the OYSL team Head Coach and the CUSC Club Head Coach.
- 2.3 Evaluation sessions for a prospective OYSL team shall be held in 2 phases - one on the fall, to determine the team viability and one in the spring to finalize team personnel.
- 2.4 If, after the fall evaluation, it appears that an OYSL team is not viable, the CUSC Board of Directors shall decide whether to continue or to advise the club members that no OYSL shall be fielded.

3.0 TEAM OFFICIALS

- 3.1 The OYSL team Head Coach shall be selected by the responsible Director and the Club Head Coach.
- 3.2 An interim OYSL team Head Coach shall be selected immediately upon the team winning an ERSL Level 3 division if there is an indication that an OYSL team is a possibility.
- 3.3 The OYSL team Head Coach shall be confirmed in the spring after the final tryout.

4.0 TEAM FINANCIALS

- 4.1 The OYSL team shall be self supporting and shall not rely on CUSC funding to carry out OYSL league play. This includes all fees, travel, and other expenses.
- 4.2 The OYSL team shall give the CUSC a deposit as set by the CUSC Board of Directors as an indenture against defaults.
- 4.3 The OYSL team may seek sponsorship in accordance with the appropriate CUSC sponsorship policy in order to defer costs for all OYSL team members.

5.0 OTHER

5.1 The OYSL team shall comply in all respects to the rules and regulations of the Ontario Youth Soccer League.

5.2 The OYSL team shall, in all respects, remain a CUSC team and comply with all policies approved by the CUSC Board of Directors including those regarding uniforms, coach remuneration, and the Team Accountability, Fundraising and Sponsorship Guidelines.

EXTERNAL REFERENCE

Approved for use on February 7, 2012
by the CUSC Board of Directors