



# NORTH TORRANCE REGION 16

## Select/Tournament Team Policy and Procedures

**Coach Selection:** Any registered volunteer for the Fall Core season may apply to be a Select/Travel Team coach for any age division. Division Coordinators will send out Select Team Coach applications to their division coaches. Select Team Coordinator will provide applications to anyone else who is interested in applying.

Potential coaches can begin applying beginning October 1. All hard copy and e-mailed applications will be accepted and reviewed by the Tournament Season committee. The Tournament Season committee will discuss applicants' certifications, good standing within the region, as well as any other issues that have come up in the past to determine how many coaches will be in that division and who will coach the team(s). If there are no applicants for a certain division, the Committee may begin recruiting potential coaches to fill the position. Coaches will be notified of their position no later than October 31.

Tournament Season committee will consist of: Referee Administrator, Coach Administrator, Select/Tournament Team Coordinator, the Child and Volunteer Protection Advocate (CPVA), Assistant Regional Commission, Regional Commissioner. The Regional Commissioner only votes in case of a tie.

**Coach's Responsibility:** The coach has a wide variety of responsibilities. They include, but are not limited to the following:

- Maintain up-to-date and complete financial records.
- Abide by all regional and AYSO principles and policies
- Provide a safe and learning environment for players to develop as players
- Represent the Region well and not do anything to embarrass the Region.

**Player Eligibility:** Players who were registered for the Fall Core season may be picked for the Tournament teams. However, they will need to have: 1) played in at least 50% of their scheduled core games, and 2) participated in the Region 16 fundraiser either by buy-out or full participation. Players who did not participate in the fundraiser originally, may become eligible by paying the Fundraiser buyout fee, as long as they fulfill part one of the eligibility rules.

Players may play up in a higher division if: 1) there is no tournament team in their age group, or 2) they were not chosen for their age group's tournament team.

**\*\*Players can only play up, but they cannot play down to a lower age division.**

Coaches will submit a list of desired players and the Regional Commissioner will determine eligibility by reviewing game cards and checking for participation in the Region Fundraiser.

**Player Selection:** Coaches can decide the method of selecting players: 1) an open tryout, OR 2) personally selecting and recruiting players.

**U08**-up to 10 players

**U10**-up to 10 players

**U12**-up to 12 players

**U14**-up to 14 players

**U16**-up to 18 players

**U19**-up to 18 players

**IF** there is only one team in that division then coaches may include a few extra players at the discretion of the Tournament Team committee. These players will not be considered permanent roster players and can practice with the team and be used on tournament rosters whenever there is not enough players.

**IF** there is more than one team in that division then the above stated numbers will be strictly enforced.

**When there are two teams in the division,** coaches will have priority in choosing their core players—up to four. We do not encourage more than four players chosen from the same team due to Area and Sectional playoffs which may hinder the tournament team's ability to play in tournaments during those dates.

The rest of the team will be made up of players from the other Fall Core teams that both coaches have mutually agreed upon up to the roster max. **If there is conflict where both coaches want the same player and can not come up with a**

**compromise, the Tournament Team coordinator will have the final decision on which team the player will play for.**

**IF** any player selected by a coach declines the offer to play on the team, the player becomes automatically ineligible to play for any AYSO tournaments. That also includes being a guest player for another region.

**\*\***Any player who meets the eligibility requirements to be on a Tournament team, but was not chosen, is now eligible to be invited to play for the Region's Extra Team in their age and gender division. Or is eligible to be a guest player for another region.

**Tournament Participation:** AYSO Region tournament teams will make Area F tournaments a priority over any other tournament played on the same weekend dates. Area F tournaments include the All-American Turkey Tournament (AYSO 16), West Torrance Christmas Classic (AYSO 14), Area F Founders' Cup, and the Armed Forces Tournament (AYSO 15). Teams are required to play in three out of the four Area tournaments. Teams may not play in other tournaments that are the same dates as the Area Tournaments. If an Area tournament does not have a division for the team, then a team will be allowed to play elsewhere. Also, if the Area tournament is full, then a team will be able to play elsewhere. All other exceptions will be determined by the Regional Commissioner.

Coaches need to provide the Regional Commissioner with fully completed applications and paperwork along with payment within in a timely manner in order to participate in any tournaments. Partially completed applications will not be honored. Personal checks from the coach will not be accepted as all deposits need to be itemized and deposited exactly how the coach received payment.

Teams may participate in as many tournaments or spring leagues as they want, as long as their financial statements are up-to-date.

All red cards given to coaches, players, or spectators will be reviewed by the Regional Commissioner to determine if any further sanctions will be applied. All violent red cards will result in possible removal from the team for the remainder of the tournament season.

**End of Season:** The end of the season is determined by the coach. He or she will decide when the team will no longer practice and play in AYSO tournaments.

The final Financial Report will be submitted to the Regional Commissioner by June 15 of that year. Teams may continue to play past that date, however the final paperwork with estimated ending balance needs to be submitted in order to receive your team refund within a timely manner.

**\*\*Please note that refunds are dependent on correct paperwork, as well as referee refunds being current. Many tournaments take up to two months to send refund checks back to our Region which may delay your refund.**

Once a refund check is given to the Coach, it is the Coach's responsibility to distribute any refunds owed to parents.

**Financials:** Money collected by any parent/family will need to be documented and turned in exactly the way it was presented to you. All checks need to be made out to AYSO Region 16 or AYSO 16.

All cash needs to be turned in as they were given to you. Do not collect cash from several parents and write a big check to AYSO 16. All moneys received should be written on the itemized list provided.

If a coach is receiving any donations from a business or a corporation, please note that 20% of funds received will be held by AYSO in order to use the AYSO IRS tax ID number for tax purposes. Please see the Regional Commissioner for the Tax ID code.