

# What Is Travel Soccer?

As players from the Ephrata Youth Soccer Club become more skilled, desire a more Competitive soccer environment, and become willing to commit greater time to training, the Travel program exists for them as a higher level athletic experience.

The word "Travel" really means "Advanced". Almost all Travel games are within Lancaster County (just like the Recreational games). There maybe 1 to 2 games that are just outside of the Lancaster County borders. The longest drive might be about 60 minutes of travel time.

The chart below breaks down the differences:

Description	Recreational	Travel
Type Of Soccer	Fun and Development	Advanced and Competitive
Away Games	All Within Lancaster County	Mostly In Lancaster County
Games Per Season	7 to 8 (1 per week)	Usually 8 (varies per week)
League Name	LAGS (Girls) / LBYSA (Boys)	LANCO Soccer League
Tryout Requirement	None (everyone plays)	Required (some may be cut)
Play Time Per Game	At Least Half Of Game	May be Less Than Half (Play time is Earned)
Practice Time	1 to 2 Per Week	2 to 3 Per Week
Commitment	Seasonal (Fall and / or Spring)	Yearly (both Fall and Spring)
Uniform Cost	Included With Seasonal Cost	Extra (due before Fall Season)
Tournaments per Season	1 (at end of each season)	1 to 2 (times vary)
Tournament Cost	Included With Seasonal Cost	Extra \$40-\$50 Per Tourney
Games Per Tournament	3 to 4 (over 1 to 2 days)	3 to 5 (over 1 to 3 days)
Club Cost Due Date	Start Of Each Season	June 1st (for Fall and Spring)
Approximate Total Cost	\$85 Per Season	On average +/- \$400 Per Year

A season is defined as either Fall or Spring. A year is defined as both Fall and Spring.