



Competitive Player Contract

Congratulations on being selected to join Greater Osceola United Soccer Club's (GOU) Competitive Division for the 2016/17 seasonal year! Our Coaches and Board of Directors hope that this will be an enjoyable year for you and your family. As part of the registration process, we want to insure that you are fully aware and understand the commitments that GOU will make to you, what our expectations are of you, and your obligations once you accept the roster spot offered to you.

Registration fees of \$470 is non-refundable. The full registration fee is due prior to season start and application for registration will be completed online on the GOU website. The uniform fee of \$124 (est.) will be paid directly to the vendor within one week of registration.

Additionally, there may be team expenses that are not included in the club registration and uniform fees (tournament entry fees, team equipment, training fees, staff travel, etc.). Region/State fees of \$100/150 are due to all D1/D2 teams competing in State and President Cup Tournament at the time of registration. There are no refunds on team fees, region, state or tournament fees and are owed by every player on the team. A written receipt will be issued for all cash transactions when paying coaches for tournaments. Please ask your coach for the team budget contract for a specific fee structure for your team.

Should the player decide they wish to be released to another club prior to the end of the seasonal year, the player/parents will be required to pay \$50 release fee to GOU, in addition to fulfilling all financial obligations (registration, uniforms fees, Region/State fees, fines, etc.) before the release is processed. All financial obligations for the full year must be paid in full.

Failure to fulfill our financial obligations to the club and/or team will result in the player being placed "Not in Good Standing" with the club and FYSA at an additional fine of \$25. This will also impact the player's ability to register with GOU or any other affiliate club next year. Failure to stay current (no payments over 30 days past due) with registration, uniform, or program fees may result in suspension. Players will also be required to pay any fines incurred for red cards, no-shows and/or forfeits according to league, tournament and/or FYSA rules.

Parent and coach communication is key. Parents are expected to communicate any absences at least one week in advance. League play continues throughout the year and covers five different counties, our club alone covers two counties, the schedule cannot accommodate school breaks and vacations. Any team that does not show for a scheduled game is subject to a \$500 fine by the league and players/parents will be held financially accountable. Reschedules will not be permitted for spring break, plan accordingly.

Players and parents will act in a respectful manner at all practices, games, travel, etc. and serve as a role model to others to maintain the integrity the team and GOU. Players will wear the approved uniform of GOU proudly and in accordance with GOU, FYSA, USYSA, USSF and FIFA standards at all times, or will be subject to appropriate disciplinary action.

We have read and signed the FYSA Code of Conduct. We understand that there is a zero tolerance policy at GOU for referee and/or player abuse. We understand that any conduct deemed abusive by the GOU Board of Directors may result in suspension from attending games. Depending on the severity/frequency of the abuse this may be up to a lifetime suspension.

Because this is a competitive environment, that there is *NO guarantee of minimum playing time* (U13 and up and tournaments). Guest play with other teams requires written approval of VP of Competitive Soccer or the Club President and the team's head coach. Requests must be submitted at least one week in advance to the registrar. These exceptions will only be granted if all player financial obligations have been fulfilled.

Accepting a roster spot on one of the GOU Competitive teams is a 12 month commitment. The players are expected to make their GOU team their NUMBER ONE priority. Excused absences are illness, family emergency, injury, a required for grade school activity and one practice per week to play in another sports game (not practice). Although these are approved absences, your child will most likely not start and have limited playing time in the next game. With an unexcused absence the coach has the liberty to suspend/give little or no playing time to the player for the next game. Multiple unexcused absences can result in forfeiture of all fees and removal from the team.