



Henderson United Youth Soccer

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TOURNAMENT GUIDELINES

Henderson United Youth Soccer (HUYS) is affiliated with Soccer Association for Youth (SAY), a member of the United States Soccer Federation (USSF). When HUYS hosts a tournament, HUYS teams are eligible to participate without any additional administrative requirements. As a member of the USSF, HUYS teams are also eligible to play in open tournaments hosted by leagues or clubs associated with other USSF affiliates, including the United States Youth Soccer Association (USYSA) and the American Youth Soccer Organization (AYSO). If your team is interested in playing in a USYSA or AYSO-sanctioned tournament, the host organization will require proof that your players are members of a USSF-affiliated organization, as well as other registration paperwork, in order for your team to participate. This document provides a general list of items that your team may be required to provide in order to participate in a USYSA or AYSO tournament:

- 1. Player Passes.** Teams will be required to present a player identification card, called a Player Pass, at check-in for most tournaments. The HUYS Registrar will provide Player Passes for your team upon request. A 1" x 1" photo is required for each player, preferably submitted in a digital format (.jpg file) via e-mail. **Photos must be received a minimum of one week in advance of the date that the Player Passes are needed.**
- 2. Medical Consent Forms.** Most tournaments require that the coach present a signed medical consent form for each player. For HUYS players, the medical consent is included on the Player Registration form that is provided to coaches at the beginning of the season.
- 3. Birth Certificates.** Some tournaments require teams to provide a copy of each player's birth certificate. It is the coach's responsibility to gather the birth certificates from the players; HUYS does not keep copies of birth certificates on file.
- 4. Guest Players.** Many tournaments allow the use of a limited number of players that are not registered to your team, called "guest players". Check with the Tournament Director for the policy on guest players. You will need the following documents for your guest player:
 - a. A completed HUYS **"Guest Player Permission Form"**, which has to be signed by the parent of the guest player, the coach of the lending team, and the HUYS Registrar. This form is available in the "Forms" section of our website.
 - b. Your guest's Player Registration Form, which is in possession of the lending coach.A team that uses a guest player without permission of the guest player's coach will be subject to league sanctions.
- 5. SAY Approval.** HUYS teams must receive approval from our national affiliate, Soccer Association for Youth (SAY) to participate in an event that is not sponsored by SAY. The "Player Participation in Non-SAY Events" form must be completed and submitted to the SAY office for approval. This form can be obtained at the SAY website, www.saysoccer.org (click on the "Forms" link).

We encourage teams to play in tournaments – it can be a very rewarding experience for your players. For a list of local tournaments, visit the United States Youth Soccer Nevada website at www.usysnv.net. To place a request for Player Passes, or to get help with your tournament registration, send an e-mail to the HUYS Registrar at info@hendersonsoccer.com.