# 2025-2026 KSYSA/USYS TRYOUT RULES

# **Timeline**

#### **Player Identification Events**

- January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025, KSYSA Clubs/Teams may begin to advertise tryout dates and locations.
- KSYSA Clubs/Teams may advertising for certain events, such as Player Identification Events, Camps, Player Kick Arounds, etc. ("Events").
- Events can be held only after proper advertising. (Define later in this Document)

# SIGNING DAY SIGNING PLAYERS WITH OR WITHOUT TRYOUT

Players can sign with a club starting at 12:01am for <u>Players on June 6th, 2025,</u> without going to a tryout.

#### PHYSICAL TRYOUTS

• Friday, June 6th, 2025 – Physical Tryouts may begin for all age groups.

Players shall have **72 hours from the time of their commitment to a team** to rescind their commitment without penalty, financial or otherwise. Players who rescind will receive a full refund of their deposit if done within **72** hours.

### **Definitions/Guidelines**

Starting **January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025**, KSYSA Clubs/Teams may begin to advertise tryout dates and locations.

KSYSA Clubs/Teams may advertise certain events as they see fit, such as Player Identification Events, Camps, Player Kick Arounds, etc. ("Events").

Events can be held only after proper advertising and registration.

#### RULES FOR HOLDING EVENTS FOR THE 2025/26 SEASONAL YEAR:

- Events are only allowed for age groups playing U13 or above (11 v 11 Soccer) 2025/26 Birth Years: 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012 & 2013.
- Events must be advertised for a minimum of 14 days prior to the Event on social media, Club Websites, etc. Proof of advertising may be required.
- Separate Registration/Attendance must be taken for each Event.
- The Event must be open to any player wishing to attend and participation age groups must be listed on advertisement.

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- <u>Individual player invitations, targeted recruiting or direct marketing to specific individual players are strictly prohibited.</u>
- <u>Under no circumstances may a player commit in writing or financially with any team as a result of these Events until the Signing Days as set forth herein.</u>

For purposes of these rules, a **Competitive/Premier Team** is a team that holds tryouts or any like process to roster players selectively to any team based on talent or ability and is not a recreational or soccer academy team. A **Competitive/Premier Player** is player who has been registered/carded with a Competitive/Premier team.

For purposes of these rules, a **Recreational Player** is any player that has never been carded as a Competitive/Premier player. <u>If your club has an "Academy Program" for players 10 years old and below, those players are considered recreational players unless they have been registered/carded with a Competitive/Premier team and have paid the <u>KSYSA Competitive/Premier player card fees.</u></u>

Competitive/Premier Clubs/Teams may open-up registration for Tryouts **AS THEY SEE FIT** for Competitive/Premier players. Players may sign-up for tryouts if they are seeking an opportunity to look at other Clubs/Teams.

**Starting 12:01am on Friday, June 6th, 2025,** for Competitive/Premier players may declare to a team where they are going to play for the upcoming 2025/2026 season and may place a deposit securing their spot with a Competitive/Premier team without going through the tryout process.

A team cannot sign or take a deposit from <u>any</u> player prior to 12:01am on Friday, June 6th, 2025, for any player.

Players shall have <u>72 hours</u> to rescind their commitment to a team without penalty, financial or otherwise. Players who rescind will receive a full refund of their deposit if done within 72 hours.

A club/team **CANNOT** sign a player or take a deposit from a player that is currently registered anywhere before **June 6**<sup>th</sup>, **2025**.

Players shall remain free agents until a formal acceptance is made to an offer from a club/team.

A Player accepting an offer through the Tryout Process shall have **72 Hours** from the date of their acceptance in which to rescind their commitment to the club/team without penalty, financial or otherwise.

All the above rules are subject to a determination that it is safe to return to group activity by United States Youth Soccer (USYS), State Government or local governments. Social Distancing and/or other requirements will be adhered to during all times as recommend by governing bodies.