





SPRING 2024 CUPS









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COMMUNICATIONS

- Make sure your team contacts are updated and correct
- Do NOT opt out of emails from GotSport concerning Cups or any other competitions
- For play weekends in Rockford we will have BAND threads







SPRING CUPS BAND











BRACKETS









ELIGIBLE TEAMS

In order to be eligible for the State Cup, Presidents Cup or Illinois your team and ALL PLAYERS MUST be registered to one of the following Illinois Youth Soccer member competitive leagues for the Spring 2024 season.





















IMPORTANT DATES



- Play-In Game Changes Due By 3pm
 - Play-in games scheduled on April 20-21 can be moved to a different date or location as long as played BEFORE the date they are currently scheduled for
 - Coaching Conflicts Due By 3pm
 - Email chrisj@illinoisyouthsoccer.org
 - Coach Name
 - Club
 - Team ages they coach
 - Competitions
 - Graduation Info Due By 3pm









GRADUATION INFO

If players have a school GRADUATION conflict for Cup matches on May 18-19, May 24-27 or May 31-June 2 teams must complete the IYSA Cup Graduation Form online NO later than March 15 @3pm.

Players planning on taking the SAT/ACT Test should look at ALL the available dates for those standardized tests and plan ahead as there are multiple dates to take those exams and Cup dates have been posted since October









IMPORTANT DATES



- Initial roster due
 - All teams must have the initial roster entered into GotSport no later than April 1 or 48hours prior to their first game if it is played before April 1.
 - Team can make adjustments up to 48-hours prior to their first match.
 - Once teams play their first group match, roster is frozen for the duration of the state event.









IMPORTANT DATES



- Home Team Host Details Due By 3pm
- Group Play Game Changes Due By 3pm









HOME TEAM HOST GAMES

- Game is played at the home team's field unless teams agree to an alternative location
- Teams agree to date and time
- Game info must be submitted no later than April 26 at 3pm
- Teams that fail to agree on home team host info by deadline will be fined \$50 per day
- All home team host games must be played by May 13 for State Cup & President Cup
- All home team host games must be played by May 27 for Illinois Cup









MOVING GROUP PLAY GAMES FROM ROCKFORD

TEAMS CAN MUTUALLY AGREE TO MOVE A GAME SCHEDULED IN ROCKFORD TO AN EARLIER DATE & AN ALTERNATIVE LOCATION

- BOTH teams must agree to game change and details must be submitted no later than April 26 @3pm or 72-hours prior to the match, whichever is first
- MUST be played earlier than the date it listed on the current schedule unless approved by IYSA
- Who is listed as the home team is irrelevant. Teams must mutually agree on game change details
- Group play games moved off of Rockford will get a \$50 refund per team -IF submitted by the April 26 @ 3pm deadline









SUBMITTING HOME TEAM HOST, PLAY-IN OR GROUP PLAY GAME CHANGES

Once game details are finalized the HOSTING team should email ALL the following to iysascheduling@gmail.com

- Subject should read: State Cup (or Presidents Cup, Play-In Game or Illinois Cup) Match
- Age Group
- Teams Playing
- Game Number
- Date & Time
- Location Be Specific. Include address & Field Number

You will NOT get a confirmation. Once posted in GotSport = accepted & assigned

DO NOT INCLUDE IYSA STAFF ON NEGOTIATIONS OR WHEN SUBMITTING GAME INFO - JUST SEND TO SCHEDULING EMAIL







IMPORTANT DATES



All State Cup & Presidents Cup

Home Team Host Must Be

Completed By









IMPORTANT DATES



- State Cup Group Play Games
- Illinois Cup Group Play Games
- Presidents Cup Group Play
 Game #3 (May 17-18)
- Presidents Cup Quarterfinals

(May 19)

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ROCKFORD GROUP PLAY GAMES

- Tentative times posted in GotSport
 - 12pm or earlier (8am, 10am, 12pm)
 - 12pm or later (12pm, 2pm, 4pm, 6pm, 8pm)
- TEAMS DO NOT SET THEIR TIME FOR MATCHES IN ROCKFORD
- Final game times will be posted on May 1









IMPORTANT DATES



- State Cup Quarterfinals & **Semifinals**
- Presidents Cup Semifinals & **Finals**
- Illinois Cup Home Team Host Play By Date (May 27)









QUARTERFINALS & SEMIFINALS

IYSA will allow Quarterfinals and Semifinals matches to be moved to locations other than Rockford on other dates within the following guidelines

- All teams impacted must be in agreement
- Advancement of the event will not be delayed to rescheduled QF or SF matches
- CANNOT be played at a location other than Rockford on the dates they are scheduled for EXCEPT FOR FRIDAY, MAY 24 MATCHES
- Finals are to be played as scheduled by IYSA unless specifically approved.









IMPORTANT DATES



- State Cup Finals
- Illinois Cup Semis & Finals
- Junior Cup: IL / WI Cross Border Battle









REGIONAL & NATIONAL DATES

- Midwest Presidents Cup June 14-18 in Sioux Fall, SD
- National Presidents Cup July 12-16 in Wichita, KS



- All Illinois Presidents Cup champions earn a spot in Midwest Presidents Cup
- Illinois also has the following Wild Card spots

13U Boys 14U Boys 14U Girls

16U Boys









REGIONAL & NATIONAL DATES



- Midwest Championships June 21-26 in Overland Park, KS
- USYS National Championships July 23-28 in Orlando

- All State Cup champions earn a spot to the Midwest Regional Championships
- If a team win State Cup & has earned a bid to the Midwest Regional thru US Youth Soccer Premier I or E64 then they go as the Conference rep and the Finalist attends regionals as the Illinois Rep
- If a team has earned a spot in Nationals thru NL P.R.O. and they elect not to go to Regionals then the Finalists would attend regionals as the Illinois Rep
- Illinois also has the following Wild Card spots: 13U Girls & 19U Boys









REGIONAL & NATIONAL EVENTS

Illinois Youth Soccer has the final determination about which team will represent the state at Regional competitions. In most cases, the state champion team of State Cup and Presidents Cup with be awarded that spot for the Regional competition. At the time of registration for the Illinois event, teams are committing to compete in the entirety of either the National Championship Series or National Presidents Cup and are expected to attend the Regional and National events should they advance.

A Club that fails to fulfill their commitment for the Regional or National level of the competition could face sanctions up to and including but not limited to:

- i. Be subject to Illinois Youth Soccer and US Youth Soccer fines starting at \$500 ii. Have all teams from the club not be accepted into any of the following competitions for up to three (3) years
 - 1. State Cup
 - 2. Presidents Cup
 - 3. US Youth Soccer National League
 - 4. US Youth Soccer Regional Conferences









LEAGUE GAMES CHANGE

- The free game change deadline for the IWSL is March 14 and YSSL is March 15.
- If your team advances to the eliminations rounds your team is NOT except from league game change fees
- Recommend league games scheduled on 5/24-27 & 5/31-6/2 to a different date in case they advance to the elimination rounds
- Should your team NOT advance this gives you a built in rain date for the Spring









TEAM CONTACTS









REFEREES

• The IYSA State Assignor sends all 3 referees for each match – including games moved alternative locations

Patrick Legge: Referee Assignor:

If have any day of referee issues including referee now shows, field changes or last minute cancelations please contact Patrick directly. Patrick should NOT be included on other emails — ONLY DAY OF REFEREE ISSUES

Phone: 224-484-0990

Email: PatLeggeRefereeAssignor@gmail.com









WEATHER CANCEL

If a match moved to a location other than Rockford is cancelled due to weather, the teams must do each of the following

- Notify the referee assignor if cancelation is prior to kickoff
- If game is stopped during the match or pregame, teams should quickly work to finalize a new date and time
- There is NO defined time that constitutes a completed match. That is at the discretion of the Cup Director









ROSTERS

- Roster must be entered in GotSport
 - Initial roster due by April 1. Final rosters 48-hours prior to your first match
- Teams are allowed to use any age eligible player from within their club.
- Only players that are registered in a member competitive league & have a USYS/IYSA member league pass are allowed to compete
- No guest players from outside the club
- Up to 22 players can be on a Cup roster
- 18 players dress on gameday









ROSTERS

Player can only be rostered to ONE State Cup OR Presidents Cup team

- Does NOT matter if the player plays up in age. If a 15U players is rostered to the 16U team in State Cup they CAN NOT also play for a 15U team in State Cup or Presidents Cup.
- A player on an Illinois Cup roster CAN also be on a State Cup or Presidents Cup roster

Any female player that was rostered to a 15U or older Girls team in the Fall is INELIGIBLE TO BE ON A STATE CUP OR PRESIDENTS CUP ROSTER IN THE SPRING.









PRESIDENTS CUP ELIGIBILITY

FOR PRESIDENTS CUP: If a player is listed as a primary roster player for Midwest Conference Premier I, US Youth Soccer Nation League P.R.O., or USYS Elite 64 they are ineligible for the Presidents Cup.

If a player is designated as a club pass player for Midwest Conference Premier I, Club vs Club US Youth Soccer National League P.R.O. or Elite 64 then they are eligible. Teams may be required to show proof of the player designation PRIOR to their first Presidents Cup match.









ILLINOIS CUP SILVER ELIGIBILITY

The Illinois Cup Silver is exclusive to teams & players that meet specific criteria

- IWSL C Division or Lower
- YSSL 3rd Division or Lower









PRIOR TO YOUR FIRST MATCH

NO LATER THAN 48 HOURS PRIOR TO YOUR FIRST GAME YOU MUST

- 1. Finalize your roster and make sure that those players that will be competing for your team are entered on your official Cup roster in GotSport. Once you play your first game your roster is frozen so plan accordingly
- 2. Email a copy of your competitive league roster(s) to katie@illinoisyouthsoccer.org









PRIOR TO YOUR FIRST MATCH

If you are registered to the IWSL or YSSL, the roster that you will send will look like this.



You can access this roster by logging in to your IWSL or YSSL account via their website

Click ROSTER

You can than click on either of these:

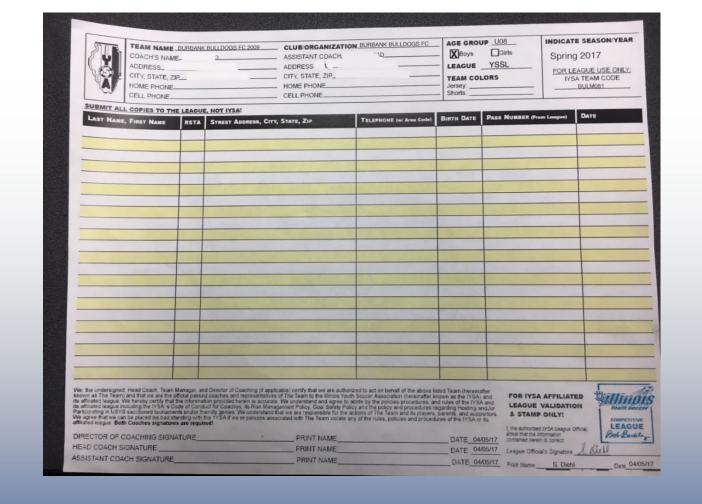
IYSA Certified State Roster

If using players from multiple teams you can send us each of these rosters for each team

State Cup Game roster

With this roster you can create a roster with players from within your club to send one roster with all players

NO TOURNAMENT ROSTER





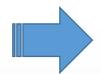






PRIOR TO YOUR FIRST MATCH

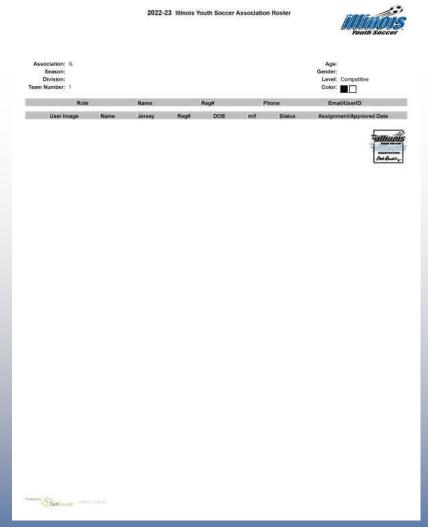
If you are registered to ILLOWA, CIYSL, SLYSA OR E64 the roster that you will send will look like this.



You can access this roster by logging in to your GotSport account and

Click ROSTER

Select the appropriate roster from the drop down menu











MATCH DAY — WHAT TO BRING

Each team is required to bring each of the following for EVERY match

- Match card printed off GotSport up to 18 players can dress on match day. Any players not competing should be crossed off the match card before giving to the referee
- Player & Coaches pass from an IYSA member competitive league.
 - State Cup: Bring actual pass. Printed version of online OK
 - Presidents Cup & Illinois Cup: Mobile pass OK









REPORTING RESULTS

The WINNING team or the HOME TEAM IF A DRAW, collects BOTH match cards from the referee at the conclusion of the match and does the following to report the score:

- Scan or take a photo of BOTH match cards and email them to iysascoring@gmail.com
- THERE IS NO PHONE OR ONLINE ENTRY OF SCORES. WE NEED THE MATCH CARDS
- Results should be submitted ASAP and no later than 24-hours after the conclusion
- In Rockford match cards should be brought to IYSA staff on site

IF THERE IS A RED CARD THE REFEREE WILL KEEP THE MATCH CARDS TO SEND IN THE RED CARD REPORT

If there are no red cards and referee keeps the match cards please email

chrisj@illinoisyouthsoccer.org









PLAYING RULES

Complete playing rules will be available on the IYSA website. Few rules of note:

- Match lengths are those used in the USYS National Championship Series & Presidents Cup. This may be different than league play.
- NO HARD CASTS
- Red Cards = fines & suspensions for players (\$50), coaches (\$300) & spectators (\$300)
 - It is the responsibility of the coach to control their spectators section.
 - Outstanding fines are the responsibility of the club to get paid
 - Players & coaches MUST sit at least the next Cup match
 - Games were red card coach or player participates will result in forfeits & fines
 - Team may keep the player or coach passes
 - Cup suspensions roll over to the Regional events or the following year's Cups









GROUP PLAY SCORING

Group play will be based on the scoring used in the US Youth Soccer Midwest Championship:

- Win: 3 points
- Tie: 1 point
- Loss: 0 points

Tiebreakers have been updated for the Spring 2024 Cups

- Winner of head to head competition
- 2. Winner of most games.
- 3. Goal differential with a max differential of 5 per game.
- Fewest goals allowed
- Least Red Card received this includes players, coaches & spectators
- FIFA "Kicks from the Penalty Mark

If a three-way tie – tiebreakers reset to #1 between the remaining two teams







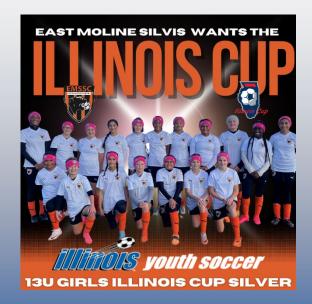


MARKETING MATERIALS

IYSA will have pre-made social media graphics for all teams in the State Cup, Presidents Cup and Illinois Cup that you can download from our website and use throughout the competition.

Also available here are the Cups & IYSA logo to create your own or to add to your website.

Marketing materials will be available by March 22.











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