



## PVSC TRYOUT POLICY

### **Tryout Procedure and Policy**

Try-outs are required by the US Youth Soccer Association to give every player a fair chance to qualify for a team. Each player will be asked to demonstrate their athletic ability, skill and understanding of game through a series of small sided games, skills on and off the ball, in addition to the big game.

Tryouts WILL BE held ONCE A YEAR following the spring season for the next FULL YEAR. Tryouts include the U13-U18 age groups.

Try-out results are calculated by the Competitive Committee, a committee of 5, which includes the Director of Competition, Director of Coaching, a "non-coach" board member and at least 2 other members. These 2 additional members of the Competitive Committee must be current competitive coaches and are appointed by the Director of Coaches and the Director of Competition but approved by the Board. The office manager and either the President or Vice President will be included in the Competitive Committee meetings. The formula for rankings is  $\frac{3}{4}$  prior season Head Coach rankings and  $\frac{1}{4}$  tryout performance. Head coaches are encouraged to average in their assistant coach's rankings in their final rankings. Goalkeepers are ranked on field play but will be also be ranked against other keepers. All teams will roster at least one goalkeeper. Rankings must be made using a common denominator (example a rank of 10/30 is not the same as 10/15).

The Competitive Committee will make every effort to place all players on teams. A player may be denied placement on teams if there is an insufficient number of comparable players to form a team and / or all available spots are taken by higher tryout ranking players.

It is the intent of PVSC to have at least 2 evaluators for each team at tryouts whose rankings will be averaged. Coaches of the previous season may not be an evaluator for the tryout for that age because they have already ranked the players. If there is to be a coaching change for the subsequent season, every effort will be made to have the new coach be one of the evaluators at the tryout. The Competitive Committee may use high school coach's rankings and as evaluators in determining team placement.

Each player/parent or guardian must notify the Gate City Youth Soccer League office of:

1. Their intent to tryout.
2. What age group/gender.
3. If the player intends on trying out for more than one team.
4. If the player intends to attempt to play up.
5. If the player does not play on Sundays.
6. If the player is trying out as a goal keeper.

All players are expected to attend all tryout times and days as designated by their age group and teams they wish to tryout for unless released by the Director of Competition.

Any player who moves to the area after tryouts are completed may be considered at the next scheduled tryout or may be granted a supplemental tryout by the Competitive Committee upon request.

If for some reason a player is unable to attend and/or participate in tryouts, the Director of Competition or Office Manager must receive in writing a letter or email indicating the reason PRIOR to the start of the tryout. Generally, a waiver from tryouts is discouraged and waivers are limited. The Director of Competition may grant a waiver but only the Competitive Committee may deny a player's waiver. Generally accepted waivers are given due to medical illness or injury, mandatory school activities or religious functions. If a temporary medical condition/injury necessitates a waiver from tryouts, a statement of same may be required from a doctor at the discretion of the Competitive Committee. In cases of medical injury, the player is encouraged to be present on the sideline during the tryout if able. A statement from the school or religious leader may also be required from the Competitive Committee. If a waiver from tryouts is granted, the player will be given 4/4 rank by the prior season coaches if requesting to be on the same team or a supplemental tryout; the latter being at the discretion of the Competitive Committee. All other players who are granted a waiver and unable to try out may only be considered for a team if that player's ability can be ascertained by a supplemental tryout.

#### **Play-up Tryout Policy**

A player wishing to try out for a team in an age group older than his/her birth date dictates may tryout. All players must abide by the tryout and play-up policy. A player who wishes to tryout for a team other than his/her age/gender matched team must notify the Director of Competition or Office Manager of his/her intention prior to the tryout. This player must begin tryouts with his/her age/gender matched team and will then be directed by the Director of Competition as to when to move on to the team for which the player desires to tryout. Due to time constraints, it is not likely that a player can try-out for more than 2 teams. A player trying out for a team other than one for which he/she was originally ranked by the team's prior coach will be ranked 4/4 on the tryout. If a play-up is unable to attend tryouts, and has been granted a waiver for the above cited reasons, the player will be given 4/4 rank by a supplemental tryout with the team that the player is trying out for, or the player will be given 4/4 rank by the prior season coaches if he/she has already played for that team.

#### **Supplemental Tryouts**

These are tryouts that are coordinated to help teams pick up additional player(s). These tryouts are offered during the year if necessary. A coach or the Competitive Committee may request a tryout from the Director of Competition at any time before the IYSA spring or fall roster "freeze" date. Requests for a supplemental tryout may also be made by any player and parent(s) who were unable to tryout for the above waived reasons. If at any time a premier team offers a tryout, any select team team player, middle school player, or new resident can attend and try out for any open spot(s) if a request has been made by that player/parent. Generally, a supplemental tryout will be held within the team's regularly scheduled practice sessions and may be extended for as many practices as the coach feels necessary to determine team placement. No player who has been previously informed of a team placement may be cut to make room for a new player who requests a supplemental tryout.

#### **Notification**

Check the website or with the PVSC soccer office for actual dates and information regarding tryouts and tryout schedule. Players will be notified of the tryout results as soon as possible following the completion of the all

scheduled tryouts by the Office Secretary. Those making teams of the Portneuf Valley Soccer Club will be contacted by their coach prior to the season.

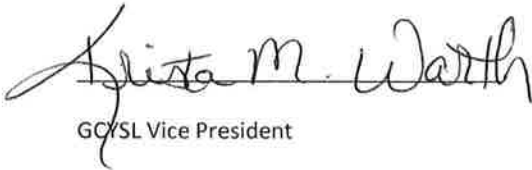
**Roster Size**

The Competitive Committee will determine roster size with input from the upcoming season Head Coach and past season Head Coach. Ages U13-15 will generally roster 15-18 players and U15-U18 will generally roster 16-22 players. Carrying the maximum sized roster is discouraged in order to create room for any supplemental tryouts that may arise. Teams may roster above the maximum number of players allowed per team for tournaments. However, match rosters must be limited to 18 players per match (can be a different 18 per match), and the 18 active players for each match, as well as the inactive players for each match, must be identified prior to the start of each match.

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GCYSL President

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GCYSL Vice President