

Findlay Soccer Club Tryout Policy



A) GOAL

To find and develop as many players as possible with consideration given to the strength of competition the teams expect to play.

B) UNRESTRICTED TRYOUTS

Per OYSAN and league rules, unrestricted tryouts are permitted from June 1st to July 15th each year and may only be used to form teams for play in the next seasonal year. Players currently rostered or unrostered may participate in unrestricted tryouts, but rostered players may not train or participate with their new team until all activities of their current team have come to an end for the seasonal year.

Findlay Soccer Club (FSC) procedures:

1. Parents Meeting (Before or during First Tryout)
 - V.P. Competitive and/or Director of Coaching explains the tryout process, team requirements and costs to parents
2. First Tryout (scheduled between 6/1 - 6/20)
 - Primary tryout which all players are encouraged to attend
 - Sign-in procedures and tryout must be less than four hours or less of combined time
 - Publicized by the club as an open tryout for all interested players
3. Make-up Tryout (scheduled 1 - 14 days after First Tryout)
 - Tryout is for players that could not attend the First Tryout
 - It is up to the evaluators' discretion whether players attending the First Tryout should also attend the Make-up Tryout
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4. **Evaluation Meeting (Held within 48 hours after the Make-up Tryout)**
 - Evaluators hold meeting with V.P. Competitive, Director of Coaching and Competitive Director to finalize the number of teams to be formed and who will be the coaches for the teams (see Establishment of Teams)
 - Evaluators come to the meeting with potential players evaluated to aid in the selection of players for the teams
 - Coaches from the previous season will provide player evaluations to be used if needed.

5. **Notification to Players (48 hours after Make-up Tryout and after receiving approval from V.P. Competitive or Director of Coaching)**
 - FSC representative will notify players of their status, whether they made or did not make a team, or whether there are enough players to form a team

6. **Additional Tryouts (as necessary through 7/15)**
 - Scheduled, as necessary, with approval of the V.P. Competitive or Director of Coaching for teams needing additional players

C) TRYOUT EVALUATORS

The Director of Coaching will invite area high school, college, and higher level coaches and/or players to the First Tryout and Make-up Tryout to assist in conducting the tryout and assessing the players. The goal is to have each player assessed by at least two impartial coaches/higher level players.

D) ESTABLISHMENT OF TEAMS

The number of teams to be formed will be determined based on the number of players at the tryouts and through discussion of the evaluators, with final decisions made by vote of the V.P. Competitive, and Director of Coaching. The appropriate Boys or Girls Competitive Director will break tie votes.

The Director of Coaching will approve/deny the coaches for all competitive teams with assistance from the V. P. Competitive (see Competitive Recruitment Policy)

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For U10 age group and under

If there are enough players to form more than one team in an age group, players will be divided into multiple teams. The teams will be divided with the intent of player development.

For U11 age groups and above

If there are enough players to form more than one team in an age group, players will be divided into multiple teams, with the "A" team being the strongest team with the best players and the "B" team being the second strongest team, etc.

E) PLAYER REQUIREMENTS

Players must tryout for:

1. Their appropriate age/gender division or grade
2. One age level higher than their appropriate age/gender division, or by petition to the V.P. Competitive, for a lower level team within their appropriate age/gender division (i.e. "B" team) with the petitioning process waived for future year tryouts if the petitioning player made the team the prior year. Petitions will be approved / denied by vote of the V.P. Competitive and the Boys and Girls Competitive Directors.
3. A player must first try out at their current age level team. A player may be allowed to play up an age level or two age levels. (See Policy on Playing Up)

Currently rostered players must tryout during the unrestricted tryout period (6/1-7/15) to make the newly formed team each seasonal year.

4. For High School Age Teams Additional Tryouts
 - Scheduled, as necessary, with approval of the V.P. Competitive or Director of Coaching for teams needing additional players
 - Additional tryouts will also be held after the Fall High School Season and will be scheduled between 10/25 - 11/15 that year. Players whose high school teams are still in the state tournament may not tryout until their team is eliminated from the tournament. Special make-up tryouts will be scheduled for players that fall into this situation.

F) RESTRICTED TRYOUTS

Per OYSAN rules, restricted tryouts are no longer permitted.

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G) ADDING PLAYERS TO TEAM AFTER UNRESTRICTED TRYOUTS

Findlay Soccer Club's teams may find the need to add players to their rosters for numerous reasons (player moves or injury) after the completion of unrestricted tryouts. Findlay Soccer Club may add players to their teams at anytime to fill empty roster positions by invitation without a tryout. All requests to add players will be made through the Boys/Girls CD for approval. Any committee members, coaches or managers that do not follow this policy and procedure will be subject to disciplinary action from the FSC Operating Committee.

- Players must be added prior to the dates set forth by the league for that season.
- Players added after the initial roster is due to the league will be responsible for paying any extra fees incurred in addition to the FSC player fees.

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