

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q. Is my child eligible to play?

A. Players must be born on or before July 31, 2009 in order to play soccer in the fall 2011 season. Older players must be born prior to August 1, 1993.

Q. How do I register?

A. You can register online at www.planoyouthsoccer.org, click on recreational league and there will be a link to register for current season or you can come by our office if you do not have access to a computer. New players to Plano Youth Soccer must submit a copy of a government issued birth certificate or passport prior to being placed on a team. Birth Certificate/Passport can be faxed to 972.516.2216, emailed to kathy@planoyouthsoccer.org or mailed to our office at 221 West Parker Rd, Suite 480, Plano, Tx 75023. Registration deadline for fall is in August and the spring registration ends in January. The fall season will begin the weekend after Labor Day in September with the spring season beginning second week of February.

Q. How do I register as a Coach?

A. You can register online at www.planoyouthsoccer.org (click on *New Coaches/Manager Register On-Line*). Please make note of your user ID and password as you will need it to view your roster. You can have the same password as your child but user ID's are unique. In addition to registering as coach/asst coach or team manager, you will need to complete a background. You will need to email Kathy Kane, (kathy@planoyouthsoccer.org), so she can set up a profile for you in Got Soccer to complete your background check. You can't be placed on a roster until you have completed a Risk Management form, which is required every **fall**. Once you have registered on line, your background check has been approved and you are listed on the roster, you will be able to view your roster on line by clicking on the link, *Coaches/Managers view roster* and putting the user ID and password you created.

Q. What if I have already registered and I need to change something on my registration?

A. You may edit your registration by going to our homepage at www.planoyouthsoccer.org, click on Recreational League and click the link, *Coach/Manager View Roster*. You will put your user ID and password and make any changes or add comments.

Q. What if I do not live in Plano, can I still play soccer in Plano?

A. Players who have a Plano address or attend a PISD school do not need a release. Players who do not reside in the City of Plano or attend a PISD School will need a release from their home association. A release is a North Texas State Soccer form that allows a player to register on a soccer team outside their local home association. Even if players have never played with their home association before, they will still need a release. You can obtain a form by going to the North Texas Soccer website at www.ntxsoccer.org click on Administrative, NTSSA Forms and Youth Forms. It is called Release form. You will need to complete the top portion of the form, section #3 and parent signature at the bottom. Some associations charge for releases so you will need to contact their office to see if there is a fee.

Players who do not live in Plano will incur a \$10 non-resident fee. This fee is something that is charged to us by the city of Plano for player registration and field usage.

Q. What if I have a friend I want to play with?

A. Plano Youth Soccer allows you to request to play with a sibling or friend by making a note on the comment line of the registration form. We do our best to honor requests but there is no guarantee your request will be granted. We follow the guidelines of placing players based on school or zip code. Placements are subject to space availability and the number of requests PYSA receives for a specific team. If the numbers of requests are greater than openings, then PYSA will randomly choose players.

Q. Can my child play up an age group?

A. Yes, a child may play up one age division. The program automatically assigns you to the correct age group according to your birth date when you register. You will need to state you are playing up on the comment line of the on-line registration on the first page. Please note children can play up one age level, but can not play down. Age groups are determined by the Age group chart on the registration form. If the fee for the requested age group is different you will note on your registration to pay by check and complete your registration. To make payment by credit card, you will need to go to our web page and click on, *Coach/Manager – View roster*, put in your user ID and password. From your main menu select Make Payment, you will put in your credit card information along with the correct amount you need to pay, the comment section will say Additional Payment that is ok. If you have problems, please call our office at 972.422.7972.

Q. How is my child placed on a team?

A. Players are placed on teams based on age, gender, and geographic “school” area. We do our best to place players on a team close to where they live. Teams will be created based on the number of new players and the number of openings on existing teams. Players are placed after the completion of the final registration deadline. Plano Youth Soccer will not place new players on teams until after the final deadline for registration.

Q. When will I hear from a coach?

A. Coaches will receive rosters two weeks after registration ends. The coach then calls the players on the team, and lets them know that they have been placed on his/ her team. If you have not heard from a coach 3 weeks after the end of registration give our office a call at 972-422-7972 and we will give you the name and number of your coach.

Q. What about Uniforms and other soccer equipment?

A. Uniforms are provided for the Under 4, 5 and 6’s. Teams Under 7 through Under 19 are responsible for purchasing their own uniforms.

Players must provide their own equipment.

Shin guards are mandatory

Soccer cleats are recommended (But you can wear tennis shoes)

Ball (every player should have their own ball)

Size 3 Under 4 - Under 8 Size 4 Under 9- Under 12 Size 5 Under 14- Under 19

Q. When are the practices?

A. Practice days, times, and locations are set by the coach of your team. PYSA does not regulate when or where your team practices. Teams can only meet 3 times a week. This includes 2 practices max, and 1 game during the week. Since we try to place you on a team close to home, practices should be close to home. Any conflicts on practices should be resolved with your coach.

Q. When and where are the games?

Under 4, Under 5 and Under 6 have an 8 game season with all the games on Saturdays (rainouts could possibly be scheduled on a Sunday). Under 7 through Under 16 play a 8-10 game season with most of the games on Saturdays, U19 games are played on Sundays. There will be a few week night games. Weeknight games are played on Tuesdays, Wednesdays or Thursdays. (Under 14-19 may play on Mondays as we have transfer teams from Allen and Frisco that provide fields on that day)

Q. When will I find out when my first game is?

A. Games will be posted on the website (www.planoyouthsoccer.org) once the schedule has been completed.

Q. Is there a Refund Policy?

A. Refund Request forms must be turned into the PYSA office prior to the first game. All refunds will be issued less a \$20 administrative fee. Late Fees and Non-Resident fees are non-refundable. Refunds will be issued no earlier than the week after the first game. If payment has been made to PYSA by credit card, a credit will be issued back on the card used. Cash and Check payments will be issued a refund by check.

Q. How many players play at one time?

A. Under 4, 5 & 6 (4v4) no goalie
Under 7 & Under 8 (7 v7) includes goalie
Under 9 & Under 10 (8v8) includes goalie
Under 12, 14, 16 & 19 (11 v11) includes goalie

Q. When does the season begin?

A. Fall season starts the weekend after Labor Day in September and goes through mid November. Spring season starts in February and goes through mid April for U4-U14's and ends mid May for U16-19's.

Q. Where is Plano Youth Soccer located, and what are the hours?

A. Plano Youth Soccer is located at 221 W. Parker Road Suite 480 Plano, Texas 75023.
It is in the Northwest corner of Parker Road and 75 in Ruisseau Village shopping center.
Open Monday – Friday 8am- 5pm
Saturdays 8am – Noon (during the season)

MORE QUESTIONS/ CONCERNS CALL PLANO YOUTH SOCCER AT (972) 422-7972

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