

NISL RULES & REGULATIONS REGARDING PLAYER REGISTRATION

- 1 Youth Player – A youth player is one who has not reached the age of nineteen (19) years prior to August 1st immediately preceding the start of any soccer playing year.
- 2 Youth Team – A youth team shall be comprised of players in specific age division's u7 through U19. Players in each single age division must be less than the maximum age before August 1st of the current soccer playing year.
- 3 Soccer Playing Year – The soccer playing year for the NISL/US Club is from August 1st through July 31st of the following year.
- 4 NISL/US Club identification card – All players playing in the NISL must have a NISL/US Club card.
- 5 Proof of Age – Proof of age is required of all youth players and must be submitted to the NISL Administration before registration can be completed.
- 6 Pictures – All youth players must upload a recent picture – taken within no more than 3 months of the date of registration.
- 7 Registered Players – Affiliated teams/Clubs may register unlimited number of players per age division but may dress, play and game roster a maximum of:

U7 & U8 (5v5)	12 players
U9 & U10 (7v7)	14 players
U11 & U12 (9v9)	16 players
U12 (11v11) U13 thru U19 (11v11)	18 players.
- 8 Player Registration – A youth player is committed to a club/team for the entire soccer playing year: August 1st through July 31st from the time the NISL receives the online registration and a Player I.D card is produced bearing the Name, Date of Birth, and Club until the end of the soccer playing year for which the club is registered.
- 9 Registration for the soccer playing year opens July 1st of the previous soccer playing year.
- 10 Inter-Club player transfers are not permitted between August 1st to December 1st (Fall season) and March 1st to July 1st (Spring season) of the soccer playing year.
- 11 Inter-Club player transfers are only permitted if sanctioned by the NISL, during the months of December, January, February, up to March 1st.
- 12 The NISL will sanction player transfers during these months ONLY when both coaches mutually agree and that the transfer is in the best interest of the player.
- 13 No club, coach, manager, player, parent or any other person affiliated or associated with the soccer organization can approach a currently registered player with the interest to offer, entice, persuade, or ask that player to transfer from their currently registered soccer organization.
- 14 Written permission is required from a person in authority from the club i.e. President, Director of Coaching, Head Coach, to approach a registered player to discuss the player transfer.
- 15 Failure to observe this procedure will result in the player transfer not being sanctioned by the NISL.
- 16 Players may have only 1 sanctioned transfer per soccer playing year and 2 sanctioned transfers in 3 soccer playing years.
- 17 Player evaluation or tryout for a club for the succeeding soccer playing year does not require written permission.
- 18 Unregistered players may tryout and register at any time.
- 19 All player registrations expire with the NISL at the end of the current soccer playing year.
- 20 A Club or Soccer organization may not register a player with the NISL for the succeeding soccer year prior to July 1st.
- 21 All requests for the player releases and transfers must be in writing and submitted to the NISL Office. (Download the form from the NISL website).
- 22 Player transfers will not be permitted during the soccer playing year under the following circumstances which must be substantiated by the Club in writing.
 - * Illegal approach – (Player poaching)
 - * Outstanding fees or equipment.
 - * Player receiving Financial Assistance from the Club – Transfer fee may be assessed.

The NISL recommends that Clubs have legal parent contracts which the NISL will support if documented legally.

In the case of a dispute between players and club or between clubs. The NISL Administration Office upon receiving written communication and evidence from the Club and/or player shall evaluate the communications received and render a decision on the status of the player's future registration.

The NISL has the final authority to accept or deny any player registration and participation in the NISL.