



LYSL RECREATIONAL-PLUS SOCCER PROGRAM

For the 2008/2009 season, LYSL has been invited to try out the rec-plus program with Mustang Soccer Club in Danville, CA and San Ramon Soccer Club in San Ramon, CA. The age groups eligible for this program are U-10 Boys and Girls, U-12 Boys and Girls and U-14 Boys and Girls. We plan to start off with no more than 2 teams per gender, per age group. There will be a separate fee in addition to the regular LYSL registration fee. This fee will be used to pay for professional training for each team on a once per week basis for 13 weeks starting at the beginning of August and ending in November. We ask that the coaches just observe and save any questions or comments until the end of each training session.

The extra fee in question is projected to be \$125.00 per player. The player must be registered in LYSL for the current year that he or she will be participating. The guidelines will closely follow those of Division 4 team formations as adopted by CYSA.

LYSL is unable to offer financial aid toward the rec-plus fee.

Although this program is being offered to give LYSL participants a higher level of competition than the regular recreational league, it is still considered recreational and it is to be played for "FUN". Good sportsmanship from players, coaches and parents is expected at all times. This program is designed to expand the skills, knowledge, ability and love of the game of soccer for player's who are committed to putting in the extra effort required. It is not designed, being offered or should be construed in any way to be an ego booster for the parents.

TEAM FORMATION

Rec-plus teams will be constructed using the following criteria:

- All players signing up for rec-plus will be allowed to play and be placed on a team according to order of receipt of registration. If teams are full then players will be put on a waiting list in order of receipt of registration. If not selected, but on waiting list, said player(s) will be placed on regular recreational teams and moved up when opening occurs, if he or she so desires.
- Teams will be balanced, as much as possible, based on a player's years of experience, age and area of residence with in the city of Livermore.
- Players from outside of Livermore will be considered based on reason for participation. This participation will be based upon a vote by the LYSL Executive Board.
- Division 3 players can only participate on a rec-plus team if they sign up for the rec-plus team during the current season, and are not moving down from a Division 3 or higher team during the same season. Those that try out for a Division 3 or higher team but are not placed on a Division 3 or higher team roster may also sign up for Rec-Plus.
- Players are expected to exhibit a higher level of commitment than in recreational division and are expected to participate and be present for a minimum of 90% of the scheduled practices.



- Those players falling below the 90% minimum shall be replaced by a player on the waiting list. Players that are replaced will be given a chance to be placed on a regular recreational team, space permitting. If no space available, then he or she will go onto the waiting list for the regular recreational division behind the last player on the waiting list.
- Coaches will be allowed to request a certain number of players to be retained in the new season, from the previous season's team providing the players requested agree to be placed on the same team with said coach. The numbers allowed to carry-over will be based upon the age group for that season that has just been completed. The carry over is as follows:
 1. U-10 teams will be allowed a carry-over of (3) players
 2. U-12 teams will be allowed a carry-over of (4) players
 3. U-14 teams will be allowed a carry-over of (5) players
 4. The number of carry-overs include the child(ren) of the coach
 5. Carry-overs must be age appropriate for the age group. NO PLAYING UP will be allowed.
 6. Coaches will not be permitted to influence the selection of players to their teams, other than listed above. There will be NO special requests granted to any parents on placement of their child for any reason including friends, ride share, daycare etc.
- New coaches coming into the program to replace a coach who leaves will be given an existing team based upon random selection.
- Practices will not be allowed to start until July 1 of the current year's playing season.
- Training sessions will not start until after August 1 of the current playing season.
- Coaches will be selected based on desire, commitment, license level, child participating and area practicing in.
- Coaches will be scrutinized and possibly rejected based upon prior year(s) performance and any issues that are anti-PCA, unsportsmanlike and or any documented disciplinary action.
- Team sizes will be:
 1. U-10's at 12 players maximum, 9 players minimum.
 2. U-12's at 16 players maximum, 13 players minimum.
 7. U-14's at 16 players maximum, 13 players minimum.
- All players must be given at least 50% playing time based on a per game basis. The 50% can be less based upon health issues, injuries, disciplinary action, red or yellow cards and the player's own desire to not play.



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Participation requires travel to away matches played outside of Livermore, but not beyond the Tri-Valley area, to fields in San Ramon and Danville. Teams may be playing more than 50% of their games away from Livermore.

While playing in San Ramon or Danville, LYSL teams are guests and will conform to the playing rules and code of conduct of the host club (as may be modified by the joint playing league’s Supplementary or Consolidated rules). In short, the rules may be different than what you are familiar with, when playing outside of Livermore. LYSL teams are expected to represent Livermore with respect and dignity. The players and coaches must conduct themselves with the highest standards and respect. Any coach or player who is reported, documented or witnessed by any league official from Livermore, Danville or San Ramon, to be behaving in an unreasonable or disrespecting manner may be subject to disciplinary action as deemed fit by the LYSL Disciplinary Committee based upon the extent of said behavior and actions. Such actions could be reason for removal from the rec-plus program.