



**National Presidents Cup
Team Manager, Coach &
State Rep Webinar
July 2, 2025**



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Team Information Guide

- Members Passes & Bench Credentials
- Concussion Protocol & Release Form
- Uniforms (Colors/Logos/Sponsors/Patches)
- Practices
- Weather Notifications (WhatsApp)
- Player Event
- Referees
- Spectators
- Match Day Procedures
- Individual Awards
- Awards Ceremony
- Medical Services

Event Schedule



Player Event: Thursday July 10 Doors open at 4PM, players seated by 5:15PM, event starts at 5:30PM



Group Play: (8AM, 10AM, 12PM, 2PM)

- Friday, July 11
- Saturday, July 12
- Sunday, July 13



Semifinals: Monday, July 14 (8 AM, 11AM)



19U Finals: Monday, July 14 (8AM, 11AM)



13U–18U Finals: Tuesday, July 15 (Various)



SMS Notifications & Weather



Scan the QR code to receive weather, field, and any schedule updates or other notifications



The Event Team will be constantly monitoring weather conditions



Airhorns will be used to notify play has been suspended



Take shelter in your cars and wait for further notifications



**USYS National
Presidents Cup**
WhatsApp community



Field Complex

Tampa Sportsplex

9330 E Columbus Dr,
Tampa, FL 33619
15 Natural grass fields



Practice

Practice Fields Available Thursday July 10: 8AM - 2PM

LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE! First come first served at signup link below. Most afternoon spots are filled, Some morning spots are left.

Important Note: There are more afternoon requests than we have space for. If your team is NOT listed on the practice schedule that will be distributed next week, then unfortunately all times your team requested were filled before your submission. If you want to change your request, just re-submit one.

60 Minutes Half-Turf Field Per Team [>> Practice Signup Link <<](#)

Deadline to Reserve: Sunday July 6th

Opening Ceremony/Player Event



Date: Thursday July 10th



Time: Doors open at 4:00PM; Parents/spectators are welcome



Location: [Yuengling Center](#), 12499 USF Bull Run Drive, Tampa, Florida 33620



Goody Bag Distribution: As they enter, *Team Manager or Coach* should pick up their team goody bag at their regional table located nearest the assigned seats



Water available for Players/Coaches on the Arena Floor; Beverages for sale for all others.



Begins at 5:30PM; Teams should be in their seats NO LATER than 5:15PM

Player Event



Players will have access to the arena floor where they can take pictures with the championship trophies and trade items with their fellow competitors

Team Seating Assignments:



East sections 120, 121, 122, 220, 221 and 222



Midwest sections 102, 103, 202 and 203



South sections 112, 113, 114, 115, 213 and 214



Far West sections 116, 117, 118, 216, 217, 218



Spectators may sit in seats not occupied by players or coaches; please let teams utilize the sections closest the arena floor.



Goody Bag



For those that are having to miss the Player Event due to flight schedules, etc.



You need to coordinate with your Regional Program Manager to get your goody bag BEFORE YOUR FIRST MATCH!!



Your goody bag will contain your Best 11 Voting forms as well as your Bench Passes, so please make sure you know how to contact your Program Manager!

Trading at Player Event



Once the formalities are over, players are released to the arena floor. They can meet and interact with their fellow competitors from all over the country.



Suggest each player have 10-15 (more? / less?.. Up to you!) items to start trading.



Trade ideas include pins, memorabilia, hats, t-shirts, and other items that help define your state and culture. The sky is the limit!



The only rule is that both parties have to agree on the trade.




Perpetual trophies will be on display to take photos with, both before the Player Event starts and during the trading.



More information in Team Info Guide Section 718


Bench Credentials & Member Passes

 Team Officials must wear the National Presidents Cup Bench Pass (issued with team Goody Bags) around their neck; **Please don't create an issue with this!**


 Maximum of 4 team officials in the technical area

 Players, coaches, managers, and/or team trainers must:

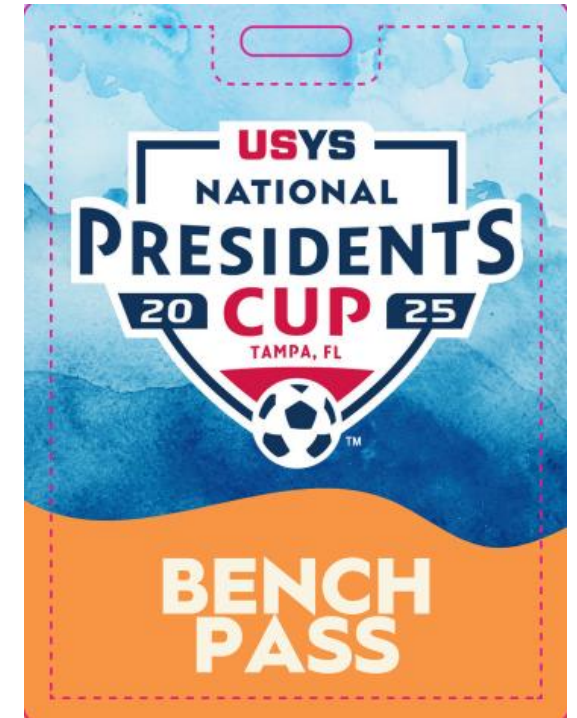
 Be listed on the event roster,

 Have a current USYS/State Association member pass with a recent photo

 All team member passes must be presented to the referee at the field prior to each match

 No rosters are required, team rosters are printed on the match card

 Missing member passes? Contact your State Rep immediately!



Reminders



FINAL Roster Freeze: Thursday July 3 at 11:59PM CDT (**TOMORROW!**)



The Code of Conduct teams agreed to for the Regional events are still in full force and effect



Online Check-In Deadline: Sunday, July 6 @ 11:59PM CDT

Upload PDF files of **USYS member passes** (identical process as your Regional Presidents Cup)



[US Youth Soccer National Presidents Cup website](#)



Enter Team Uniform Colors [HERE](#) (missing several teams, have 77/102)



Enter Team Subsidy Information [HERE](#) (missing several teams, have 79/102)



Note-failure to provide the information above could result in loss of team subsidy...



Request Practice Times [HERE](#)

Uniforms



Each team must have two (2) uniform sets, including socks (one light color & one dark color) at each match during the competition



Bring both uniform sets to each match (Home team wears light colored jersey & socks; Away team wears dark colored jersey & socks)



If there is a jersey or sock color conflict, the team causing the conflict must change. The referee's decision is final.



Permanent numbers; NO tape permitted



Competing organization/league logos permanently covered; USYS has semi-permanent patches available (\$3 each or \$75 for 44 patches, cash only, no checks or credit cards). Available at Event Headquarters. NO tape permitted!



Violations can result in loss of team subsidy...



See Rule 210 for all uniform requirements

Patches



(Insert Heavy Sigh...)



I am SO sorry! The manufacturer shorted us on the shipment and with Tariffs and other shipping issues we just don't have enough to go around.



The requirement outlined has been relaxed. There will be no sanctions or penalty if teams do not have them on OR if some players do and other don't.



We have ordered more. If you are short and want them for players as a souvenir/remembrance, etc., please send a shipping contact and address to your Regional Program Manager.



Once they arrive we will ship them out to you.

Match Procedures



Referee crew will have the match card



Any Medical or Disciplinary suspensions will already be crossed off the match card



Recommend a Team Official confirm Goal Scorers and all Yellow/Red Cards with 4th Official to ensure accuracy



A credentialed Team Official from ***each team*** signs the match card; **PLEASE DO NOT COMPLAIN ABOUT THE MATCH TO THE REFEREES WHILE SIGNING!**



Once signed, NO changes will be entertained unless there is a data entry error.



If there is a score or goal scorer discrepancy, it must be communicated by a **Credentialed Team Official** at HQ



[Competition Rules](#) | [Policy](#) | [Competition Protocols](#)

Match Procedures (continued)



International Walk Out for each match, 3 minutes before kickoff; All rostered players should walk out, including subs and players not participating in the match



If necessary, water breaks will be implemented by the Event Management Group; 3-minutes max and referees will add time at the end of the half to compensate



Unlimited substitutions at the half line are allowed during any stoppage of play with the approval of the referee



Inactive players should be in street clothes; Subs must wear a different color vest on the bench at all times



Remember to fill out and **RETURN** your Best 11 Form; you are ranking your **OWN PLAYERS!**



After the match, please ensure that the bench area is clean, and your team leaves ASAP so the next team can get settled

Individual Awards to Players



Individual awards are based on voting during all matches teams play, and players from any team are eligible to win an individual award



The Best 11 award will be presented to the top ranked players in the competition in each age/gender



Best 11 is based on coaches ranking players on ***their own team***; Teams failing to submit a voting form for all matches severely impacts players chances of selection



Golden Boot and Golden Glove honors will be presented to the top scorer and the outstanding goalkeeper in each age group/gender



Most Valuable Player award will be presented to the highest rated player in the Best 11



A player ejected from a match is not eligible for any individual award!



Best 11 forms will be distributed in team goody bags picked up by the team manager or coach before the start of the Player Event



All individual awards will be publicly announced and sent to winners as soon as possible after the conclusion of the competition; however, the process may take up to 6-8 weeks

Discriminatory Language/Actions



US Youth Soccer rejects any form of discrimination, harassment or epithets directed towards an individual based on race, color, gender, sexual orientation, religion, national origin, age or physical/mental disability.



If a Referee **hears** an epithet by a Player or Team Official:

- an Ejection (Red Card) will result.



If an epithet is **reported** to a Referee by a Player or Team Official:

- A meeting on the Player's side of the field will take place.
- Coaches will be permitted to inform their team that any further incidents may result in an immediate ejection, a temporary suspension of the match, the match being abandoned and/or teams being removed from the competition. For a match that is not resumed, the score when the match was stopped will stand.

Discriminatory Language/Actions by Spectators



If an epithet by a Spectator is **heard by** or **reported to** a Referee:

- The match will be stopped, and players directed to their benches.
- Both Head Coaches will be advised of what was heard/reported.
- Coaches will be requested to inform their spectators that any further incidents could result in a temporary suspension of the match, removal of all spectators from the match, the match being abandoned and/or teams being removed from the competition. For a match that is not resumed, the score when the match was stopped will stand.
- The Head Coach may ask their spectators to help identify any offending spectator(s).
- If the spectator is identified, they will be asked to leave. If they do not comply, Security will intervene.
- Additionally, all spectators from the offending team may be removed for the balance of the match **and/or future matches**.

Cautions & Ejections



No accumulation of cautions (Yellow Cards) from match to match during the competition.



Ejected players may continue to sit on the team bench if they do not create any further disturbance.



Ejected Team Officials must immediately remove themselves from sight and sound of the match before it will be restarted. **This is a NATIONAL event; we expect exemplary behavior from Team Officials! Ejected Team Officials should expect a heavy sanction; most likely they will not be on the sideline for the remainder of the event...or even into next season.**



Any ejection (Red Card) will result in a minimum of a one match suspension; all ejections will be reviewed, and additional penalties, suspensions, or other disciplinary actions may be imposed depending on the circumstances and severity of the infraction.



Ejections for Violent Conduct or Serious Foul Play may result in multiple match suspensions



Players or Team Officials sent off for Discriminatory Language/Actions and/or Referee Abuse/Assault should expect MULTIPLE MATCH suspensions which could carry over to the next seasonal year, and/or possible removal from the National Presidents Cup competition (see above!).



Additionally, any Regional and/or National team subsidy could be forfeited.



**PLAYERS PLAY.
COACHES COACH.
REFEREES REF.
FANS CHEER.**

Referees



Referees have earned their place based on their performance at the Regional Presidents Cup events



Identical to the Regional competitions, referees are supported by mentors who contribute to their development by guiding them in post-match reflections



If a Team Official is sent off for referee abuse, there is a good chance that they won't coach again during the week



Presidents Cup and USYS **WILL NOT** tolerate **ANY** referee abuse and **WILL NOT** hesitate to clear the sidelines



Please familiarize your team with the recently enacted [USSF Referee Abuse Policy](#)!



RESPECT THE REFS

Athletic Trainers



Trainers will be available for preventative taping services



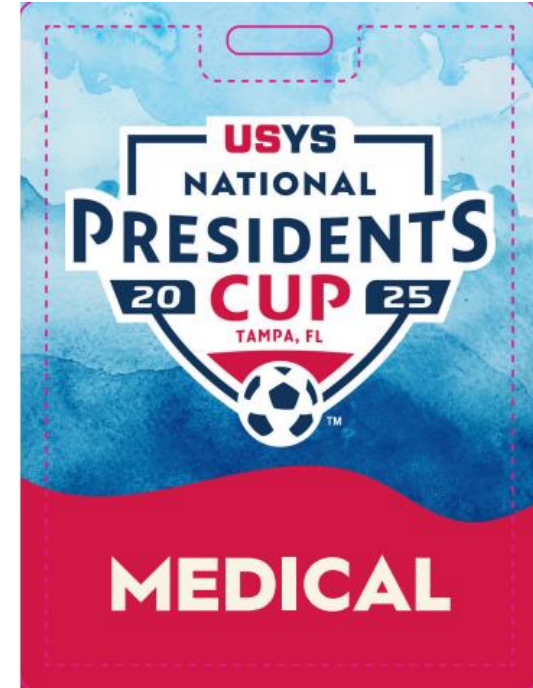
All medical injuries have priority



The event Trainers are primary; Team or club trainers are secondary



See Team Information Guide for hospital and urgent care facility listings



USYS Concussion Protocol



If a player receives a completed USYS Concussion Form due to displaying signs and symptoms of a concussion, that player may not return to play until a signed clearance form from a medical doctor or doctor of osteopath who specializes in concussion treatment and management has been received

- For clarification, whether an M.D. or D.O., the physician must specialize in concussion treatment and management
- Clearances signed by a PA are not acceptable

Championship Matches



Immediately following your championship match, BOTH teams MUST make their way to the awards area



Finalist medals and plaque will be presented first, followed by the Champion medals, cup and perpetual trophy

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Event Information



Official Event Merchandise: [TeamIP](#)



Watch for social media scams promoting match streaming.



Free Event Photos: [USYS](#)



**FREE EVENT
PHOTOS**

CONNECT WITH USYS



@USYOUTHSOCCER



Team Video Information



Teams and spectators may use their own recording devices within their spectator area, which is directly across from their team bench



Tripods and other supporting equipment **MUST** be securely staked down behind their own spectators



VEO or similar cameras must be placed a minimum of 3 yards into the spectator area from the half line and behind their own spectators

Spectators



Spectators who may be reasonably construed as being associated with a team are the responsibility of the credentialed team officials appearing on the roster.



Regional Competitions had issues with some spectators using Discriminatory Language/Actions towards players; Offenders will be ejected if identified and/or sidelines will be cleared.



Whistles, air horns, megaphones, artificial noisemakers and/or ANY similar devices are prohibited.



See Rule 215 for further details

Final Reminders

- ✓ Carefully REVIEW your final event roster
Final Roster Freeze is 11:59PM CDT Thursday July 3!
- ✓ Online Check-In:
Upload member passes by July 6, 11:59PM CDT
- ✓ Team Official bench passes
- ✓ Member passes
- ✓ Uniform requirements
- ✓ National Patches are not required due to limited availability. This is a change from previously published information.
- ✓ Hydration stations at each First Aid tent;
Players must bring their own container
- ✓ USYS provides shade tents over team benches
- ✓ Spectators should use umbrellas for shade;
Sportsplex does not have room for spectator tents
- ✓ Know who your State Rep is AND how to contact them!





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Thank You

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Q&A



This is the opportunity to ask whatever is on your mind



This may be a new experience for many of you; There aren't any dumb questions!



Please don't be shy...we want this to be an amazing experience for each player, coach, team manager, state rep, parent and spectator!

Links

[US Youth Soccer National Presidents Cup website](#)

[Yuengling Center \(Player Event\)](#)

[Tampa Sportsplex \(Fields\)](#)

[WhatsApp \(Weather Notifications\)](#)

[Team Uniform Colors](#)

[Team Subsidy Mailing Info](#)

[Practice Time Reservations](#)

[USYS Photos](#)

[TeamIP \(Apparel\)](#)

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