



CYSL Rec Soccer Program

What is CYSL?

Coronado Youth Soccer League (CYSL) is a community-based 501(c)(3) non-profit organization run by volunteers to support youth soccer, both recreational (Rec) and competitive (Nado Select) programs. The goal of CYSL is to develop youth soccer players to their greatest potential, while teaching them the value of discipline, hard work, leadership by example, teamwork, sportsmanship, and fair play. CYSL is affiliated with CalSouth, the official youth and adult state soccer association of the United States Soccer Federation and United States Youth Soccer.

What is the difference between the recreational (Rec) and competitive (Select) programs?

The recreational program is open to all children ages 4-14 who wish to learn to play soccer, or have played soccer but prefer to play at a recreational level for 10-11 week seasons (Fall and Spring). For the Fall season, Rec coaches are normally parent volunteers for the younger age groups, but are sometimes paid professional coaches for the older age groups when parent volunteers are not available. For the Spring season, parent volunteers normally coach U8 and below, and Nado Select coaches coach U10 and above. The Rec program is a very affordable opportunity to play soccer.

The competitive or Select program is open to children ages 7-19 who try out for and are selected to a team. The select coaches are professional coaches, many of whom played soccer at the collegiate and/or professional levels. The competitive program runs for 6-8 months, and requires a significant commitment (including a financial commitment) on the part of both players and parents.

During what time of year is the Rec Program?

Rec soccer has two seasons – Fall and Spring – each approximately 11 weeks long. The Fall season normally runs from September to November, and the Spring season normally runs from March to May. Fall season is the first session and the following Spring is considered the second session.

In which division will my child play? (See age chart on website)

Divisions are by age group:

Micro – 4-5yr olds

U8 – 6-8yr olds

U10 – 8-10yr olds

U12 -- 10-12yr olds

U14 -- 12-14yr olds

(Note 1: There are occasional age exceptions determined by the Rec Committee)

(Note 2: Availability of U12 and U14 divisions is based on the number of players registered.)

If your child plays U8 in the Fall season, then your child is eligible to play U8 during the following Spring season. (i.e. U8 for Fall 2010, then U8 for Spring 2011)

Whenever possible, teams are single gender; however, when there are insufficient numbers to have single gender teams, the league reserves the right to have co-ed teams.

At league discretion, a player may be moved up to an older division (with parental consent).

Where are the practices and games?

For the Fall season, all practices and games for U10 and below are at Tidelands Park. U12 and above teams may play in interleague games, depending on the number of teams in our league; in that case, they will play approximately half of their games at other fields in San Diego County, with the remainder at Tidelands Park.

For the Spring season, all practices and games are at Coronado Cays Park.

How are players divided into teams?

After registration and before the start of the season, teams will be formed by the Rec Committee of the CYSL Board. Players will be assigned to teams based on age, number of previous seasons played, and physical size, with the goal making all teams as evenly matched as possible.

Can my child play with his/her friends and/or neighbors?

Requests may be made, but we cannot guarantee that friends will be placed on teams together.

Can I request a specific coach?

Requests may be made, but we cannot guarantee that you will get the coach of your choice.

How much playing time will my child get during games?

The Rec program is an opportunity for all participants to learn about soccer, develop their skills, and have fun. Therefore, coaches will make every effort to ensure each player gets to play at least 50% of each game.

When will my child practice? Practices days and times are set by the coach in accordance with field availability. Each team will have a minimum of one 60-minute practice session per week during the season.

What do Player Registration Fees cover? Player registration fees cover a variety of expenses, including uniforms, photos, insurance, equipment, referee fees, coach certification clinics, field setup and paint, player registration, league registration, publicity, discounts for volunteer coaches, coaching fees (older age groups), Risk Management (background checks) for volunteer coaches, and administrative costs.

Why have fees increased over the last few years? CYSL has endeavored to keep fees as low as possible and still cover costs. In past years, we were able to cover some expenses through proceeds from our two soccer tournaments; however, the bad economy has negatively impacted our tournaments. We are now in a position that requires the bulk of Rec expenses to be covered by registration fees.

CYSL Rec soccer remains an excellent value at less than \$8 per session (training and games). It's less than the cost of a babysitter, and your children are getting exercise, learning new skills, making new friends, and having fun!

Do you offer a sibling discount if I have more than one child playing CYSL Rec soccer?
Yes; the first child pays full price, and the second and subsequent children each get a \$15 discount.

What if my child changes his/her mind after registration, and decides not to play soccer?
Fall Soccer: If you withdraw your child by the last day of the regular registration period, you will be given a full refund less a 10% administrative fee. During the late registration period up to August 31st, you will be given a 50% refund. After August 31st, no refunds will be given.

Spring Soccer: If you withdraw your child by the last day of the regular registration period, you will be given a full refund less a 10% administrative fee. During the late registration period, you will be given a 50% refund. After the end of the late registration period, no refunds will be given

Do coaches get any training? Yes; all coaches are required to complete the Youth Module certification appropriate for the age groups they are coaching:
YM1 – U9 and below – 1 hour classroom instruction, 2 hours demonstration and trial
YM3 – U10 and above – 2 hours classroom instruction, 3 hours demonstration and trial
The courses are normally taught in Coronado.

Do I need experience as a soccer player to be a coach? No experience is required.

Do I get a discount on registration fees if I coach my child's team? Coaches no longer receive discounts. Instead, CYSL typically provides a nice quality polo or dry-fit shirt with the CYSL logo embroidered on the shirt, after all equipment has been returned. If two parents are co-head coaches, they will each receive a shirt.

Are there other volunteer opportunities besides coaching? Each team needs a team parent to take care of administrative details, creating a snack schedule, organizing an end of season party, etc. There are also a number of one-time volunteer opportunities (listed on our website – www.nadosoccer.com), as well as longer-term volunteer opportunities (e.g., age group coordinators, board positions, etc.). Contact the Director of Rec at recdirector@nadosoccer.com for more information.

Who can answer other questions I have? You may contact the Director of Rec recdirector@nadosoccer.com. You may also visit our web site at: www.nadosoccer.com. We sincerely hope you and your child enjoy your CYSL Rec soccer experience. Thank you for your support!