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To: Teams Interested in Playing Competitive Soccer in the Fall of 2019

2019 Fall Options for Competitive Play

For Fall 2019, teams have two options for Competitive Play. They are:

- SF Comp (also called Upper House or Prep) where you play all games in SF against local teams
- Travel Comp where you participate in a league that is run outside of SF and must coordinate your own game schedule. Note the following:
 - Some leagues have significant restrictions for teams to join – for instance Norcal only allows approved clubs to play
 - You must register with SFRPD and will receive access to an allocation of fields but the fields may not match the schedule that comes from your league

2019 Fall Tryouts and Club Solicitation Policies

Goals:

- Provide information to San Francisco residents in an orderly way with clear and accurate information and deadlines
- Avoid disruption to Spring 2019 teams
- Ensure all SF teams and clubs are treated the same regardless of affiliations

Summary of Deadlines for Team Interested in Comp Play:

2019 Fall Tryouts - Deadlines and Dates - Updated Feb 1	
	2019
Deadlines to Submit Flyers for Soccer Fair	Thurs Feb 28
Soccer Fair	Wed March 6
Deadline To Preclear APBO Status	Wed April 3
Tryout Dates and Times Selected	Tues April 9
Youngers Tryouts	April 27 and 28
Youngers Offers Start	Sat April 27
Youngers Signings Allowed	Wednesday May 1
Youngers offer can be withdrawn (if not accepted)	Friday May 3 at 7 pm
Team Registration Deadline*	Wednesday May 15 8 pm
Deadline to Submit Roster to RPD	Wednesday May 15 8 pm
Appointments	Week of May 20
Olders Start**	Thursday May 2
Offers and Signings	Thursday May 2
Team Registration Deadline*	Wednesday May 15 8 pm
Deadline to Submit Roster to RPD	Wednesday May 15 8 pm
Appointments	Week of May 20
* Must have player commitment form, proof of residency and payment	
** no tryout fields - must use practices	





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Pre-Tryout Schedule:

- **Prior to March 6**, no advertising or solicitation of players for Fall 2019. See Exhibit A for approved information.

- **Soccer Information Fair – Wednesday, March 6**
 - Open invite to all players to come and meet clubs and programs at the County Fair Building in Golden Gate Park
 - All clubs and teams participating in Soccer Fair must have handout/flyer describing 2019 programs in format approved
 - Go to [Flyer Approval](#) to submit your flyer for approval
 - Flyers must be submitted by Thursday, February 28 in order to be approved
 - Only teams intending to meet SF Residency requirements may attend
 - **SF Residency** is defined as your child must live and reside in San Francisco city limits. See Exhibit B for comprehensive list of acceptable proofs of residency.
 - Proof of residency is best shown in official communication from the child’s school to the child or child’s parent showing the child’s address and child’s name. Examples include Notice of Enrollment, Report Card or School Bill
 - Non-Residents: A team may not have more than 2 non-residents on a team for ages up to 8th Grade and 3 non-residents for older teams

- **After Soccer Fair**
 - Recreational players may attend spring soccer practices
 - Only spring recreational players can attend—Clubs must confirm status
 - No upper house/prep or travel players may attend
 - Up to 2 players per practice—must sign up in advance with club
 - For recruiting for Fall 2019
 - Clubs can host meet and greets at their offices or other non-field locations

- **Fee Structures for Travel Comp Teams**
 - Teams and clubs are subject to either one of two fee structures:
 - Approved Public Benefit Organization (APBO)
 - Must be not-for-profit, provide scholarships, have an independent board and disclose all fees, budgets, etc (See here for more info)
 - Non-Approved Public Benefit Organization (Non-APBO)
 - Must still meet SF Residency requirements
 - Preclearance of APBO Status





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- Prior to April 3, clubs and independent travel teams seeking APBO status must submit preliminary information to be sure that they will qualify:
 - For Clubs—go to [APBO Club Approval](#)
 - For Independent Teams—go to [Independent Team Preliminary Approval](#)
- **Fee Structure for SF Comp teams:** The above fees ONLY applies to travel soccer teams desiring to play in non-SF administered leagues. For SFYS Recreational and SF Competitive (formerly Prep) teams go to www.sfyouthsoccer.com for details.





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U9-U14 (YOUNGER) Teams – Schedule for Tryouts & Team Formation for Fall 2019

- **Tryouts Start Saturday April 27 and Sunday April 28 Tryout Fields:** Use travel and prep game fields weekend of April 27 and 28
 - Only available to clubs and teams who:
 - Have approved flyers to provide to families
 - Have committed to meet SF residency requirement
 - If team will be requesting Approved Public Benefit fees and is part of a club, the club must have been precleared by submitting a Club Application
 - If team is not part of a club, the team must submit a preclearance application.
 - Existing Practice fields may be used for tryouts week of April 29
 - Fields will be assigned in April
- **Offers**
 - **Saturday, April 27** Clubs and teams may make offers to both new and existing players
 - Offers may be made but no player signings allowed until Wednesday, May 1
- **Signings**
 - **Wednesday, May 1-** Player Signings May Begin
 - Offers may be rescinded to any player not signing by Friday, May 3 at 7:00PM
- **Team Registration Deadline -Wednesday, May 15 BY 8:00PM**
 - **SFYS Recreational¹ and SF Competitive (formerly Prep)**
 - Go to www.sfyouthsoccer.com for details
 - **Travel Competitive-** Wednesday, May 15 BY 8:00PM
 - **Must have received the following from parents:**
 - Player Commitment form
 - Proof of residency
 - Initial payment
 - **Field Application Form Submitted to SFRPD online** (see p. 6 for details) for each team including
 - Upload of excel roster ([Roster Submission Form](#))
 - **Week of May 20- Appointment for Additional Paperwork** (See p. 6 for details)

¹ Note: April 15 – Recreational Team Registration Opens for teams that are ready.





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U15 and Up (OLDER) Teams – Schedule for Tryouts and Team Formation for Fall 2019

- **Tryouts Start Thursday, May 2**
- **Tryout Fields:** No additional tryout fields. Must use own practices.
 - Only available to clubs and teams who:
 - Have approved information to provide to families
 - Have committed to meet SF residency requirement
 - For any team that will not meet SF residency requirement – the information to be provided to families at a non SFRPD facility must be approved to ensure that there is no misunderstanding about access to fields.
 - Existing Practice fields may be used for tryouts (no other fields are available)
- **Offers and Signings**
 - **May be made at any time after Thursday, May 2**
- **Fall Team Registration Deadline -Wednesday May 15 BY 8:00PM**
 - **Must have received the following from parents:**
 - Player Commitment form
 - Proof of residency
 - Initial payment
 - **Field Application Form Submitted to SFRPD online** (see below for details) for each team including
 - Upload of excel roster ([Roster Submission Form](#))
 - **Week of May 20- Appointment for Additional Paperwork** (see below for details)





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How to Apply for Practice and Game Fields

Teams Participating in Travel Competitive Play (schedules run by outside of SF leagues)

- **Field Application Form Submitted to SFRPD online for each team**
 - **Deadline:**
 - May 15 by 8PM for ALL teams
 - **Must include in Submission**
 - Upload of excel roster ([Roster Submission Form](#))
 - Age group and Gender of Team
 - Expected League and Division of Play
 - Are you requesting Approved Public Benefit Fees
 - Details verifying if you meet standard
 - If you are part of club, club must have precleared status by April 3
 - Go to [Travel Application](#)
 - Filing Fee: Must be submitted to SFRPD by above deadline (see below for amounts)
- **Week of May 20- Appointment for Additional Paperwork- See Below**
 - Each team must have an appointment with RPD to bring in for review a folder containing for each team the following information for each rostered player
 - Player commitment forms
 - Proof of residency
 - If your information is not complete at your appointment, you will not participate in the first round of Spotery practice field allocations
- **Fees for Travel Competitive Play for Fall Season**
 - APBO Teams: \$308/team filing fee
 - Other Teams (fees vary by age group and number of practices selected)

	Game Slot (hours)	Weeks of games	Cost of Games:	Practice Slot (hours)	Weeks of Practices	Cost Per Practice	Team With One Practice	Team With Two Practices
U9/U10	1	11	\$ 457.00	1	11	\$ 457.00	\$ 914.00	n/a
U11/U12	1.25	11	\$ 571.00	1	11	\$ 457.00	\$ 1,028.00	\$ 1,485.00
U13/U14	1.5	11	\$ 685.00	1.5	11	\$ 685.00	\$ 1,370.00	\$ 2,055.00
U15-U19	1.75	11	\$ 799.00	1.5	11	\$ 685.00	\$ 1,484.00	\$ 2,169.00

Note:

Game Field allocations start Saturday Sept 7 and run through Sunday November 17. there are no refunds or credits for unused game slots but if there is a rainout, we will try to find alternative fields based on availability.

Practice Field allocations start Monday September 2 and run through Friday November 15. There are no refunds or credits for unused fields or rainouts. We will offer the opportunity for practice fields to start on Monday August 19 for no additional charge but not all fields will be available early. When you select your practice slot, we will indicate if early practices are possible.





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Exhibit A

Prior to Soccer Fair -Information to Be Provided Re Tryouts

For upcoming Fall 2019 season, all tryouts and competitive team recruitment has been pushed back to avoid player movement during Spring season. Here is the schedule:

Wednesday March 6 – 6 pm to 8 pm – Meet and Greet at the County Fair Building in Golden Gate Park

- All youth players may come and meet clubs and programs and learn about what they offer.
- Information on each club and program will be posted online with links on the microsoccer and SFYS websites.

March 6 on - Players on a current recreational or micro team may request to attend a practice of a club to see how the club operates. This is open to all and is not a tryout.

March 6 on – Clubs may hold informational sessions at the offices or other nonfield locations

Saturday April 27- Tryouts Begin – Players May be Offered Spots on Competitive Teams or Programs

Wednesday May 1- Player Signings (Younger teams) – NO PLAYER MAY SIGN BEFORE THIS DATE

Thursday May 2- Player Signings (Older teams) – NO PLAYER MAY SIGN BEFORE THIS DATE

Wednesday May 15 BY 8PM – Deadline for Teams to Submit Completed Rosters for ALL teams

Tuesday June 11- Spotery Practice Field Drafts Begin





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Exhibit B

Roster Eligibility and Evidence of Residency

Each team must provide proof of residency for all players on its roster:

- **Number of Nonresidents:** A team may not have more than 2 nonresidents on a team for ages up to 8th grade and 3 nonresidents for older teams) AND
- **Evidence of Residency:** Each team will need to present a folder to SFRPD with residency information for each of its players that is not more than 12 months old.
 - i. The best and clearest way to establish San Francisco residency for a player is an official communication from the child's school to the child or child's parent **showing the child's address and child's name**. Examples include:
 - Notice of Enrollment
 - Report Card
 - School Bill
 - ii. If the other are not available—you must provide 3 of the following (no more than one from any category):
 - Driver's license
 - Voter's registration
 - School records
 - Welfare/child care records
 - Federal records
 - State records
 - Local (municipal) records
 - Support payment records
 - Homeowner or tenant records
 - Residential utility bill (i.e., gas electric, water/sewer, phone, mobile phone, heating, waste disposal)—only one of these may be submitted among the three documents
 - Financial (loan, credit, investments, etc) records
 - Insurance documents
 - Medical records
 - Military records
 - Internet or cable records

