



Huntsville Soccer Club

Playing Up Policy

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Purpose and Applicability

The purpose of this document is to outline the Huntsville Soccer Club's procedures for evaluating a request for playing up/down in their age division within the LTPD (house) league. This policy does not apply for Players participating in the Huronia District Soccer Association's Rep Development, Recreational or Competitive leagues.

Procedures

Playing up or down is always based on developmental ability and is not an option for playing with friends, playing with siblings or car pooling with a neighbour.

All Huntsville Soccer Club players in the LTPD (house) league must register in their own age group.

Once registered, the player's parents may request the Club consider having that player play up or down a division for that year. Likewise, a player who is identified as exceptional in their natural age group assessment may be invited by the Club Head Coach to attend the next assessment session for the next age group for evaluation purposes.

Players requests will only be considered for playing up or down 1 age division. Players eligible for playing up must adhere to the OSA Player Evaluation Process and complete an evaluation form.

"Grand-fathering" a player who has been playing out of his or her own age group for one or more years will be taken into consideration, but will not be automatic. A player's development level can change from season to season due to outside factors like injury or additional training in the off season. Our philosophy dictates that all players will be placed on teams that are at their developmentally appropriate, within OSA guidelines, therefore need to be re-assessed annually at their natural age group.

Evaluation Forms can be found (at the time this policy was issued) at:

<http://www.ontariosoccer.net/images/publications/2015/player/grassroots/U8-U9-Player-Eval-Dec-10.pdf>

<http://www.ontariosoccer.net/images/publications/2015/player/grassroots/U9-U11-Player-Eval-Dec-10.pdf>

<http://www.ontariosoccer.net/images/publications/2015/player/grassroots/Player-Evaluation-Form-For-U12-Players-Wishing-To-Play-U13-December-8th-2014.pdf>

Playing Up Summary

1. The Player shall be registered in their appropriate age division in the Huntsville Soccer Club's LTPD (house) league.
2. Once registered, the player's parents may contact the Club Executive by e-mail (executive@huntsvillesoccer.ca) and will be required to pay a \$20 administration fee.

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3. The player shall participate in LTPD league as normal and will be evaluated by their Club Coach in order to provide opinion to the Club Head Coach.
4. The Club Head Coach will evaluate the player on the 3rd week with assistance from the Player's Club Coach.
5. The Club Head Coach will provide reasoning to player/parents within 24 hours of evaluation.



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Playing Down Policy

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Purpose and Applicability

The purpose of this document is to outline the Huntsville Soccer Club's procedures for evaluating a request for playing down in their age division within the LTPD (house) league. This policy does not apply for Players participating in the Huronia District Soccer Association Rep Development, Recreational or Competitive leagues.

Procedures

Playing up or down is always based on developmental ability and is not an option for playing with friends, playing with siblings or car pooling with a neighbour.

If the player's parents feel their son/daughter would be better playing in a lower age division they may make this request to the Club Executive.

The Club Head Coach will contact the player's parents to discuss the situation. The Club Head Coach will consult with the Club Executive and a decision will be reached that everyone involved feels is in the best interests of the player from a developmental perspective.

Players requests will only be considered for down 1 age division.

"Grand-fathering" a player who has been playing out of his or her own age group for one or more years will be taken into consideration, but will not be automatic. A player's development level can change from season to season due to outside factors like injury or additional training in the off season. Our philosophy dictates that all players will be placed on teams that are at their developmentally appropriate, within OSA guidelines, therefore need to be re-assessed annually at their natural age group.

Playing Down Summary

1. The Player shall be registered in the Huntsville Soccer Club's LTPD (house) league
2. Once registered, the player's parents may contact the Club Executive by e-mail (executive@huntsvillesoccer.ca) and request their child to be considered for evaluation.
3. The Club Head Coach will meet with the player and perform an initial assessment.
4. The Club Head Coach may consult with age appropriate coaches to assist with evaluation.
5. The Club Head Coach will report back to the Club Executive.
6. The Club Executive will make a decision based on the evaluation.
7. The Club Head Coach will meet with player and parents to review the feedback and provide a decision.