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APPLICATION TO HOST A TOURNAMENT OR GAMES

Name of Tournament or Games 2026 Texas Lightning Showcase/Youth Cup Website URL: www.texaslightning.org
Hosting Organization Arlington Soccer Association Type of Tournament: ☒ Select ☐ Recreational ☐ Select & Rec
Designate Official of Hosting Organization Paul McLean Title President Phone ((817) 721-4506) C
Address 3630 W Pioneer Pkwy, ste 101 Email mcleanpe@yahoo.com Phone () H
City Pantego State Tx Zip Code 76013
State Association or Affiliate North Texas State Soccer Association Guest Referees' Applications Accepted ☐ Yes ☒ No
Location of Tournament or Games Arlington Harold Patterson Sports Complex TEAM ENTRY DEADLINE: 03-03-2026
Date(s) of Tournament or Games April 03-05, 2026 Estimated # of Teams 150
Tournament or Games Director or Contact Person Paul McLean Phone ((817) 721-4506) C
Address 1106 Fawn Meadow Trl Email mcleanpe@yahoo.com Phone () H
City Kennedale State tx Zip Code 76060

Age Groups Accepted	Type(s) of Team Accepted *	B	G	Roster Size	# Guest Players Allowed	Length of Games	# Players on Field	Awards	Minimum # of Games	Entry Fee	Bond
U- 7/8	Academy	☒	☒	8	0	4x8m	4	☒	3	\$ 525	☐
U- 9	Academy	☒	☒	14	0	2x25m	7	☒	3	\$ 695	☐
U- 10	Academy	☒	☒	16	0	2x25m	9	☒	3	\$ 850	☐
U- 11/12	S1,S2,S3,S4	☒	☒	16	5	2x25m	9	☒	3	\$ 875	☐
U- 13/14	S1,S2,S3,S4	☒	☒	18	5	2x30m	11	☒	3	\$ 975	☐
U- 15/16	S1,S2,S3,S4	☒	☒	22	5	2x35m	11	☐	3	\$ 1395	☐
U- 17/19	S1,S2,S3,S4	☒	☒	22	5	2x40m	11	☐	3	\$ 1395	☐
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*List of types of teams and tournaments is on the 2nd page of this form.

- ☐ RT RESTRICTED TOURNAMENT –Open only to members of US Youth Soccer and its State Associations.
- ☐ Team will be restricted to teams within the state association ☐ Teams will be invited from all US Youth State Associations/Affiliates only.
- ☒ UT UNRESTRICTED TOURNAMENT Other US Soccer Members as listed: _____
- ☐ Teams as listed: _____

The Hosting Organization agrees to be bound by and comply with the terms contained in the TOURNAMENT AND GAMES HOSTING AGREEMENT and all applicable rules of the approving State Association or Affiliate.

Signature of Designated Official of Hosting Organization

Signed at:
2025-11-14 17:16:39

Date 11/14/2025

APPROVAL

(For Official Use Only) STATE
ASSOCIATION OR AFFILIATE

RM

Signed at:
2026-01-06 14:37:37

Date 01-06-2026

By Rob Martella

Title Director of Operations

North Texas Soccer

RECOMMENDED DEFINITIONS OF TEAMS AND TOURNAMENTS

(Place corresponding letter in appropriate space on application.)

TYPES OF TOURNAMENTS

UT UNRESTRICTED TOURNAMENT: A tournament that is open to all Federation affiliated participants. Any tournament that allows international participants must be an Unrestricted Tournament.

RT RESTRICTED TOURNAMENT: A tournament that is open only to members of US Youth Soccer and its State Associations.

SELECT TEAMS (teams formed by a selection or tryout process):

- S1** generally a team which competes at the highest level of play in a state or region
- S2** generally a team which competes at other than the highest level of play in a state or region
- S3** generally a team which competes in a local area or state

TOURNAMENT SELECT TEAMS

- S4** a team which is put together for the sole purpose of playing in a tournament or other sanctioned non-league competition, whose roster includes select players who are members of one club.

RECREATIONAL TEAMS

- RT** a team which was formed in a random nature without regard to players' abilities.

US YOUTH SOCCER OLYMPIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

ODP TEAM: the official US Youth Soccer Olympic Development team of US Youth Soccer, any of its regions, a State Association, an Affiliate, other Organization Member, or any district or geographical subdivisions thereof.

NATIONAL TEAM: the official national team of US Soccer or any other member of FIFA.

APPLYING TO HOST RESTRICTED TOURNAMENT(S) OR GAME(S)

These procedures apply when hosting **ONLY** US Youth Soccer State Association or US Youth Soccer Affiliates teams for tournaments or games.

Applications, agreements to host and other required information must be submitted as provided by the designated approving association or affiliate to include:

Not later than the date established by the State Association or Affiliate for submitting an Application to Host a Tournament or Games, the hosting organization must submit to its State Association or Affiliate and, if any game is to be played in another State Association or Affiliate, to that other State Association or Affiliate, for approval a completed Application to Host a Tournament or Games signed by the designated official of the hosting organization and the following items:

- a) a completed US Youth Soccer Tournament or Games Hosting Agreement, with appropriate supporting documents and information, signed by the president or chief officer or designee of the hosting organization and by the tournament or games director;
- b) a copy of the approved Rules for the Tournament or Games; and
- c) any fees required by the State Association or Affiliate for processing the application. **Incomplete applications will be returned and considered as not having ever been submitted.**

The State Association or Affiliate is not required to approve any application not submitted by the deadline established by the State Association or Affiliate. Any application which is not submitted in a timely manner may be subject to late fees if approved. The team must contact its State Association for its specific policies and fees.

The State Association or US Youth Soccer Affiliate shall make a determination as to whether or not they will sanction the tournament or games in accordance with the policies they have established within their organization for the sanctioning of tournaments or games.