

NTSSA Academy Registration – Association FAQs

What ages can register and play academy?

All true age 7U-10U players who wish to participate in an NTSSA sanctioned event with an Academy team. Registration can be completed with a NTSSA Member Association. Recreational players may play academy at the same time. They must get their academy form from the same association they registered recreational with. The recreational team is considered the priority team.

How is the academy form completed?

Member Associations can use either the recommended GotSport online form or use the paper form. If using the paper form, the parent would still be required to upload the form into GotSport so the player profile reads eligible for NTSSA sanctioned academy tournaments and leagues. For help or information on this process, please email brittany@ntxsoccer.org You will be provided pdf how tos based on the process you wish to use as a Member Association.

How do leagues and tournaments in GotSport have to be set up in order to block players that do not have a completed form onto a roster?

The event must be linked to a competition type in GotSport that is set as North Texas Soccer as the governing body, and NOT reported to the association. Then in the event set up must have the correct seasonal year (example: Fall 2023/Spring 2024 would be 23/24), USYS as the affiliation, and make sure every academy team registered has the correct NTSSA academy team level and age assigned in the event. Any questions on this or want NTSSA to verify your event is set correctly, you can email brittany@ntxsoccer.org

How do we do academy team tournament rosters?

Currently, they still use the paper tournament roster found on our website www.ntxsoccer.org under resources, then youth forms. They fill this out then provide it to a NTSSA Member Association to verify and sign off. Member Association must verify all players are registered NTSSA academy players and any adult listed as a current NTSSA background check and safesport completed in GotSport.

Can a 6U player play up into academy divisions?

6U is unable to participate in academy. There is no waiver. Only true age 7U to 10U players may participate in academy play.

There is a true age 10U player wanting to join a true age 11U competitive team. Are they allowed to still play rec or academy?

No. Once a 10U player joins an 11U competitive, they are no longer permitted to participate in recreational or academy play.

If a child plays academy only, meaning they are not also rostered to a recreational team, are they permitted to guest play with recreational teams in tournaments?

No. Academy players must also be rostered to a recreational team in order to guest play. See rule 4.6.1 No. 5.