

NTSSA Competitive Registration – Association FAQs

What ages can register and play competitive? Do they register as individuals or teams?

Youth Competitive play is for any 11U-19U player who wishes to participate on a NTSSA registered Competitive team. Registration can be completed with a NTSSA Member Association. They register as teams into a competitive registration event in GotSport. The Member Association will verify each player's competitive registration form and birth certificate, but can also include additional requirements that their association requests. See rule 4.1.3 for proof of age requirements

What about the true age 10U player exception?

True age 10U players are permitted to play up onto a true age 11U competitive team only. The max 10U players that team can have is 3. If a 10U player joins an 11U competitive team, they are not permitted to play recreational or academy. See rule 4.8

A player has a birth certificate that states they were not born within the United States. Is anything additionally required for this player?

Yes. FIFA requires any player not born in the U.S. to complete international clearance. Even if the player is a US Citizen, they must still complete this if not born within the U.S. Information on International Clearance is on our website at www.ntxsoccer.org under resources.

Can a NTSSA recreational player guest play with a NTSSA competitive team in a tournament?

Yes. As long as they are of proper age for the competitive team and they complete a guest player form that their recreational coach and Member Association must sign.

Can a NTSSA competitive player guest play with a NTSSA recreational team in a tournament?

No. A competitive player is not permitted to guest play with any recreational team.

Competitive player wants to release off competitive team and go to recreational play. How do they do this?

They will complete a release/transfer form with NTSSA. They are not be released off a competitive team unless the Member Association is presented with an approved release by NTSSA. For a release to recreational play, they will complete the form, player and parent sign, then submit to the email on the form for NTSSA to review. Releasing coach does not have to approve the release to rec. Once released to rec, they won't be able to join a new competitive team until the next soccer year. Currently, only the state releases players off any competitive rosters. This is to ensure a proper form has been completed. Member Associations are notified of these releases directly.

Competitive player wants to release off competitive team to transfer to a different competitive team. How do they do this?

For a transfer to a NTSSA team in a different club, they will complete the release/transfer form. This will require their releasing coach to sign the form. Then submit to NTSSA at the email on the form last to review. There is a \$25.00 fee that NTSSA will contact them for. They are only permitted one transfer to different club per soccer year.

For a move from one NTSSA team to another NTSSA team within the same club, they will do the intra-club movement form. That is submitted last to NTSSA at the email on the form. No fee for this type of movement. They are also not restricted on the number of moves.

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