

NTSSA Recreational Registration – Association FAQs

What ages can register and play recreational? Do they pick their teams?

Youth Recreational play is for any 4U-19U player who wishes to participate on a NTSSA registered recreational team. See current year age chart. Registration can be completed with a NTSSA Member Association. They register as individuals, not as teams. Coaches should not be directly picking their players. The Member Association will place the recreational player on a team based on their recreational team formation rules. Please be sure to be familiar with NTSSA recreational team formation rules. Rule 4.7. Need to verify recreational registration forms and birth certificates for each player, but can also include additional requirements that their association requests. See rule 4.1.3 for proof of age requirements.

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 10U or up player be rostered to a recreational and competitive team at the same time?

No. If a player is registered to a competitive team for the soccer year, they are not permitted to play or guest play with any recreational team. They must complete a release to recreational soccer with NTSSA in order to release from their competitive team to go to recreational player mid year. If a recreational player wanting to join a competitive team, then they must do a recreational to competitive transfer with their Member Association in order to do so. See Rule 3.10.8

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.