Effective 2025-26: TCSL League Structure Change

Q: Is there an additional level within the TCSL structure as a result of this change?

A: No. Previously, there were two levels within the Minnesota NPL, “Super” and “Premier” and will be two levels after this change is in effect. The Super division becomes ECNL RL - Twin Cities; the Premier division is now the Minnesota NPL.

Q: How does qualification into both leagues work?

A: Previously established benchmarks and criteria will remain in place. More information can be found here. Any references to NPL Super are to be replaced with ECNL RL - Twin Cities once in effect.

Q: Are TCSL tryout windows different as a result of this change?

A: No, previously announced tryout windows remain in effect:

July 14: 9U-12U tryouts may begin.

July 20: 13U+ tryouts may begin.

Q: Does the soccer calendar change as a result of this change?

A: All TCSL leagues, and subsequent calendars/schedules, are formed with input from club directors. In the NPL and ECNL RL, the calendar, generally, will remain.

- 13U-14U: September-June, 18-20 matches, inclusive of the Winter
- 15U-19U: December-June, 12-16 matches, inclusive of the Winter

Q: What is the postseason pathway?

A: ECNL RL – Twin Cities league winners will advance to the ECNL RL postseason, held in June. Winners of the playoffs will qualify for the ECNL RL Championships in July. NPL league winners will advance to the NPL Finals, held in July.