

NOCO 9/9 HYBRID Football FAQ's

General

****Updated for SPRING 2023**

1. **Who can play?** NOCO 9/9 HYBRID Football is co-ed and offered to all kids from 3rd through 8th grade. From beginners to advanced players, all skill levels are welcome! Teams compete 9v9. Typically, a team will have between 15-25 players.
2. **What is your Covid policy?** We follow County guidelines for Covid procedures and protocols. Please use the links below for guidance in your county.
 - Larimer: <https://www.larimer.org/health/communicable-disease/coronavirus/faqs>
 - Weld: <https://www.weldgov.com/Government/Departments/Health-and-Environment/COVID-19/FAQs>
 - Boulder: <https://www.bouldercounty.org/families/disease/covid-19-information/>
3. **Does my child need to wear a mask?** At this time, during games at outdoor locations, players, coaches and spectators are not required to wear a mask. For any indoor training or events, we will follow the policy of the venue/county guidelines.
4. [Click Here](#) to access the 9/9 Hybrid Rulebook
5. [Click Here](#) to access FULL NFHS Rulebook
6. **What is the difference between Gold & Silver Divisions?** We are a competitive league. We keep score for every game, hold playoffs and a championship for all divisions. Gold is built for Intermediate to Advanced players. Silver is built for Beginner to Intermediate players.

Registration

1. How do I register?

- Visit our website, www.nocofootball.com. Follow tabs at the top
- Hover over, "Register." Click on your preferred option.
- This will guide you to Sports Connect. If you have an account, you'll need to login. If you are a new registration, you will need to create a Sports Connect account
- You MUST create a Sports Connect account to register. This is where you will access your team information once rostered. This is also where you will receive ALL communication from the league and/or your coach.
- Please use current and active contact information!

2. What does my registration get me? Each league registration is varied in price, therefore what is included varies throughout each league. Details below:

9v9 HYBRID

- Your registration secures your spot on a team for the entire season! The price includes the cost of referees and field space.
- NOCO Football can supply equipment for the entire season for an extra charge
- Equipment includes: Certified helmet and shoulder pads

3. I've registered my child, how do I know what team I'm on? Can I request a specific team? Location? Player placement on teams depends on a variety of factors such as your location, silver or gold division request, friend request, coach request, availability of a team close to you, etc. Our Volunteer Head Coaches decide on practice days, times and location once their teams are formed. Teams are typically formed by late February but not much later than early March (SPRING 2023). We would not be able to tell you when, where and what days your athlete would have practice until they are placed on a team. Very rarely are we unable to place a player on a team that works for

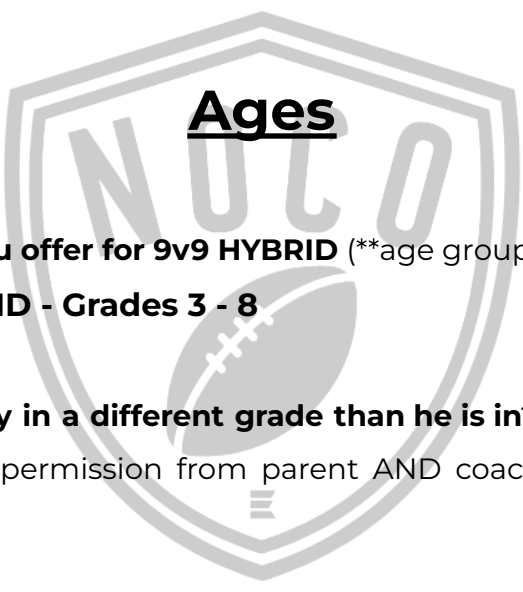
them. If that were to happen, we would issue a refund (minus the transaction charge, approximately \$10).

4. **I signed up for the wrong league, do I need to fill out a new registration form?** In the event you register for the wrong league, we would issue you a refund, then you would register for the correct league.
5. **Is there a sibling discount?** Yes. There is a multi-sibling discount. You receive \$10 off every additional sibling you register after the first child.
6. **Do you offer any registration discounts?** We occasionally offer discounts based on holidays, special occasions, social media, etc. Please make sure that you follow, like, and subscribe to our social media and email lists.
7. **Do you Offer Scholarships?** We have a partnership with Every Kids Sports. Please utilize this resource, Every Kids Sports encourages families to apply four times a year, per kid for a youth sports scholarship. You can receive up to \$150 per kid per season.
 - a. We are also proud to offer a secondary scholarship fund from our local business partners, sponsors and strategic business measures.
 - b. **After you submit the form and if you are denied** Jessica our Operations Manager will contact you directly about secondary scholarships opportunities within 5 business days. We are excited to serve you and your family!
8. **What is your refund policy?** We will refund you in full (minus transaction/processing fees) if your athlete can not participate in the season as long as gear (jerseys, shorts, flag belts, etc.) has not been ordered. Once gear has been ordered, the cost of those items will not be refunded. The season officially starts 30 days prior to the first game. Once the season has begun, refunds will not be provided. To request a refund, please send an email to Inquiry@EliteYouthSports.org We reserve the right to adjust our refund policy based on a variety of circumstances.

9. Do I have to pay at the time of registration or can I do a payment plan? At this time, we do not offer payment plans. Registration fees are due in full at the time of payment.

10. Can my kids play on the same team? Yes, they can as long as they are in the same grade division.

11. Can girls play? 100% YES! We allow Females to play in our 9v9 hybrid



Ages

1. What ages do you offer for 9v9 HYBRID (**age groups are subject to change)

- **9v9 HYBRID - Grades 3 - 8**

2. Can my child play in a different grade than he is in? Players can always play a grade up with permission from parent AND coach. Players CANNOT play down a grade

3. Do I need a copy of my child's birth certificate? You do not need to provide a birth certificate when registering. In the event of a dispute regarding a player's true age/grade, presentation of a birth certificate may be required by the league.

Coaching

1. How do I become a coach?

- Register! It's that simple. If you are a first time coach, we have plenty of training, certifications, and resources available to help you learn.
- Sign up your kid!
- Reach out to parents of potential/returning players. Ask them to begin signing up!
- Make sure they put your name in the "Coach Request" line.
- Include potential player names in your "Coach Registration"
- Find Assistant Coaches (usually other Moms or Dads) and ask them to register as an Assistant Coach using the same registration form you filled out

2. Does my kid(s) get a free registration if I coach? Once you coach for NOCO Football for one season without any issues, you will receive one free registration per TEAM you coach every season there forward barring any issues occurring.

3. Can I rent equipment from the league for practices? NOCO does rent equipment based on availability. We are constantly working on growing our inventory to be able to equip all coaches for practices.

4. Will there be a coaches meeting? Yes we will host a Coaches Meeting prior to the start of the season.

Schedule

1. **When do I receive my players' equipment?** For SPRING, Players will individually be sized out for shoulder pads and helmets by our NOCO Football Equipment staff during the 1st week of March. Exact dates and times will be emailed to everyone.
2. **When will I know our practice schedule?** Our Volunteer Head Coaches decide on practice days, times and location once their teams are formed. Teams are typically formed by late February but not much later than early March (SPRING). We would not be able to tell you when, where and what days your athlete would have practice until they are placed on a team. Very rarely are we unable to place a player on a team that works for them.
3. **When will I know our game schedule?** We receive a handful of registrations everyday leading up to the season. With that being said, we hope to get our full season schedule out 2 weeks prior to the season beginning. Playoff brackets will be available, but the details will not be known or announced until after the regular season concludes.
4. **Where can I find my player's game schedule?** All schedules will be posted onto Sports Connect as well as all other league communications.
5. **What happens in the event of a game cancellation?** We plan for an extra week at the end of the season to allow for make-up games. We "postponed" and don't "cancel" games to ensure we get all the scheduled games in the season
6. **What time do games start?** Game schedules will be released prior to the season beginning. Games will typically start in the morning.
7. **What days are games played on?** NOCO 9/9 HYBRID games are played on Saturdays.

Service Areas

- Northern Colorado

Game Locations

- Loveland - Loveland Sports Park
- Greeley - District 6 Stadium
- Ft. Collins - City Park
- Ft. Collins - Spring Canyon
- Longmont - Sandstone Park

Price

- November - *\$150 / **\$200
- December - *\$175 / **\$225
- January - *\$200 / **\$250
- February - *\$225 / **\$275
- March - *\$250 / **\$300
- March 15th forward - additional \$25 late fee applies.

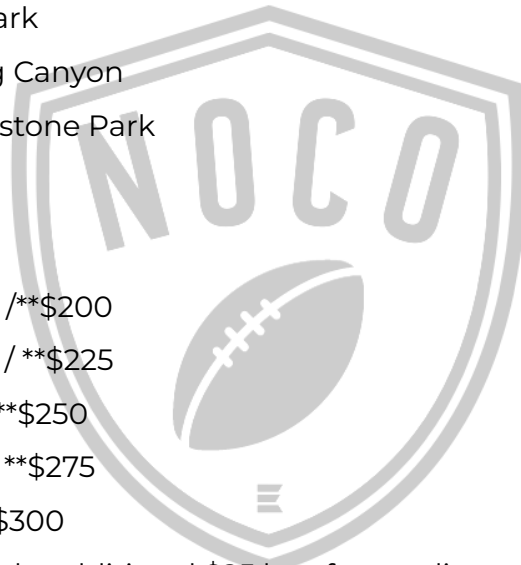
*First price is **without rental gear** - You provide your own Gear - Certified Helmet and Shoulder Pads.

Second Price is **with Rental Gear - We provide Helmet and Shoulder Pads.

Grades

- 3rd - 8th

Divisions



- 3rd/4th
- 5th/6th
- 7th/8th

*** Divisions may be split into Silver/Gold based on the number of participating teams.

Important Dates

- Season starts - March, First games are scheduled for March 25th.
- Season Ends - May, Playoff games are scheduled for May 13th. Championship games are scheduled to be played at CSU Stadium on May 20st.
- *** The game schedule is tentative and may change before or during the season.

What's Included

- Minimum of 6 regular season games
- Playoffs

Details

This program is ideal for everyone wanting to support their fall tackle football season because it involves all positions - not just the skill positions - your players can work on schemes, technique, and timing, preparing them in ways never available before.

If you want your athlete to play tackle football or if he/she is currently playing tackle football - this game allows an athlete to get all of the **necessary key skill sets** in tackle football at a level that is safe and as close to tackle football as possible - without the Full Contact.

The Basics



- **9 v 9 play**
- Offense: 9 players including 3 Offensive Lineman
- Defense: 9 Defensive positions DL/LB/DB
- Standard football rules
- Open-hand blocking and blitzing
- **REAL football helmets** & shoulder pads
- **No tackling - player is down via "2 hand touch"**

The Benefits

- Scheme work for the entire team - not just skill positions
- Gameplay mechanics with pads
- Run and pass blocking techniques
- Pass rush techniques
- Defeating blocks
- Bump & run / press coverage techniques

All the benefits of REAL FOOTBALL minus the tackling!

Gear Needed

- Hard Shell Helmet - Rental Included
- Hard Shell Shoulder Pads - Rental Included

Game Type

- Two Hand Touch
- Live Contact Blocking

Rules

[Click Here for Rules](#)