

Spring Select

What is Spring Select?

AYSO Spring Select is a competitive season for teams composed of players selected by a particular coach to participate. There is no requirement that a player have played on a competitive team before; however, the player must have played in at least half of the previous Fall season. The Spring Select program runs from March through May/June. Teams may also elect to participate in tournaments beginning January through July. Participation in tournaments may be subject to additional fees.

Spring Select Criteria

Players:

* To be eligible to participate in the Select program a player must be registered, and must have participated, in the prior Fall Season, having played no less than 50% of regular season games. Special consideration will be made for players who were injured, had illnesses, or relocated during the season.

* Elected Spring Select program coaches will use the Fall season to scout Fall Core players for possible inclusion in the Spring Select program. Select Coaches will "select" players of their choosing for the Select program.

* The number of teams that will be formed in each division varies from year to year. This will primarily depend on the number of qualified and experienced volunteer coaches that apply. The Regional RC reserves the final decision on the number of formed teams.

Coaches:

All interested coaches who meet the following prerequisites are eligible to apply and must submit an online application prior to the deadline. Coaches must:

- Be certified to coach in the division they are applying for and have 1 year experience
- Have current AYSO Safe Haven, CDC concussion training, Safe Sport certification, Live Scan, and fingerprints
- Be a current registered AYSO volunteer with all trainings up to date
- Be in good standing with Region 59 with no previous disciplinary issues
- Be able to provide/maintain a minimum of 3-referees for the division applying for.
- Be able to follow the Spring Select guidelines and AYSO Philosophies.

Commitment:

A high level of commitment is expected from the coaches, players, and the parents. Select is for motivated and enthusiastic players. Please communicate with the coach regarding other obligations.

GAMES & TOURNAMENTS:

The Spring Select regular season usually runs from early March through June. The season is typically composed of 10 games, half of which are at home and the rest of the games are away in surrounding AYSO Regions.

While most games are on Saturdays, there is a possibility that games may be scheduled during the week due to weather.

In addition to regular season games, most Spring Select teams may also compete in AYSO Soccer tournaments. Each team is self-funded, so teams will need to pay for their own tournament fees. Most tournaments require game play on Saturday and Sunday.

You must email the registrar requesting a tournament roster. It is your responsibility to request your roster on time and with sufficient time to be returned to you and the tournament.

When to start?

Coaches should start looking for players during the Fall season. Coaches will approach a player's family (not the player) and ask if they would like to be on their Spring Select team the following season. Please also keep in mind that a player's family can be approached by multiple coaches. It will be the family's choice who they would like to go with.

Ready to submit a roster?

The deadline to submit a Spring Select roster is going to be December 31st. Registration will remain open until January 31st to give players and family's ample time to register. Upper divisions will still be waitlisted to prevent unnecessary refunds. Once you are off the waitlist, you will receive an email confirming that you were selected to be on the team. Coaches will make sure their entire team has completed the second portion of registration.

Who to submit a Spring Select roster to?

Please submit your roster to the Spring Select Coordinator (Kat Trujillo) via email only. We will only accept a full team. No partial teams will be accepted. If you do not have a full team, you will be put into the Core pool to be balanced out evenly within Core teams.

What's next?

After you submit a roster, you (the coach) will be responsible for making sure your team gets completely registered. The coordinator will be in constant email communication with you and you will be expected to respond timely. We will allow up to two changes to the submitted roster but no more than that. Once the season has started, there will be **zero changes** made to any roster.