



REGISTRATION POLICY for Harbor Soccer Club (HSC)

Micro, Academy and Club Recreational Programs

Effective March 2011

REGISTRATION:

1. **OPEN REGISTRATION:** April 1st for **Micro** players, with the rest of the programs opening in April and May. Priority for team assignments for U5-U9 players is based on the following:
 - I. player of coach
 - II. returning players
 - III. players with requests as applicable
 - IV. date of completed registration (including payment in full)
 - V. school area

HSC's **Micro, Academy** and **Club** Programs are recreational. Following recreational guidelines established by the state, placement on teams cannot be selected by a head or assistant coach, nor can a head or assistant coach guarantee a player a place on his/her team. U10 and older players may request to return to their team from the prior season. If a player does not want to return to the same team, they will be placed in the player pool and randomly assigned to a team. Please see further explanation under "TEAM PLACEMENT".

2. **COMPLETED REGISTRATION:** Completed registration includes completing the online registration form, making payment, and having age verified (see below). Registration is not considered completed if payment has been received.
3. **LATE REGISTRATIONS:** Late registrants are NOT guaranteed a roster spot on a specific team or with a specific coach. This may include not being able to return to last year's team.
4. **VOIDED REGISTRATIONS:** Falsifying birthdates or other information will result in the registration being voided.
5. **LATE REGISTRATIONS AFTER JUNE 15TH:** After this date, teams will be registered with Tacoma Pierce County Junior Soccer Association (TPCJSA) or DISTRICT III. Players registered after this date will be placed on the team with the greatest need, i.e.....the team with the fewest players on the roster and not at roster capacity.

PLAYER FEES:

1. **OPEN REGISTRATION: Fees for Harbor Soccer are as follows:**

Micro (U5-U6)	\$110
Academy (U7 - U10)	\$165
Academy (U11)	\$195
Club (U12 - U18)	\$195

Fees include team uniforms, team affiliation fees, field rental, referees, insurance, admin costs, equipment, etc.

2. LATE REGISTRATION FEES:

Program	Late Fee if Registering after 6/15*
Micro	\$25
Academy	\$25
Club	\$25

**Late fees cover rush fees for uniforms and costs for roster changes.*

BIRTH CERTIFICATES AND STATE REQUIRED FORMS:

ACCESSING YOUR ACCOUNT: Returning players can access their account using the same username and password as last year. You will be prompted to change your username to your current email address. If you forgot your username or password, the system can email you this information provided the email address on file is valid. You can also contact our club registrar who can provide that information to you. Do not create a new account if you already have an existing account with Harbor Soccer Club.

BIRTH CERTIFICATES: If your child's age was verified last year and you register online using the same account number (username and password), HSC will not need to re-verify your child's birth date. New players to HSC will be required to show a birth certificate so the player's birth date can be validated.

MEDICAL RELEASE FORM: If you completely fill out the emergency contact and medical release information during registration, HSC can print out the information for the team coach/manager so that you will not need to complete a separate Medical Release Form.

CONCUSSION COMPLIANCE: The Zackery Lystedt Law requires that an informed consent must be agreed to by parents and youth athletes acknowledging the risk of head injury prior to practice or competition in any sport in the State of Washington. This must be done on an annual basis. If you register on line, this requirement is satisfied. If you did not register on line, you will need to complete this form before participating.

REFUND POLICY:

1. Any **Micro, Academy or Club** registration/player withdrawal PRIOR to August 1st will receive a refund less administrative fees and uniform expense.
2. Any **Micro, Academy or Club** registration/player withdrawal between August 1st and August 31st will receive a 50% refund.
3. Any **Micro, Academy or Club** registration/player withdrawal after September 1st : NO refund
4. Special circumstances (*i.e...*player moves out of state, player is injured for entire season) will be reviewed by HSC's Board of Directors following receipt of the player's written request to determine if any refund amount is warranted.

TEAM PLACEMENT:

HSC has an open enrollment policy and does **not** guarantee placement on any team and. Coaches **cannot** select their teams nor can they guarantee a place for your child on a team. For **Micro** through U9 players, HSC will do their best to place children based on their requests. However, because of the limited roster size in the **Micro** and **Academy** programs, it may be that more children request a team, coach, or friend than roster spots available. In these circumstances, HSC assigns players in accordance with the open registration policy described above. HSC will not prevent your child from playing soccer! Unfortunately, your child may not be able to play for the team or friend requested.

For ages U10 and above, in order to comply with Washington Youth Soccer (WYS) state guidelines players will be randomly assigned to teams if they do not wish to return to the same team.

Micro teams only play in Harbor Soccer Club “home-league” against other Harbor **Micro** teams so travel will be limited within Gig Harbor. **Academy** teams (U7 through U11) will play in the TPCJSA “association league”. **Club** teams, (U12 and older) will compete in either District III “district league” or TPCJSA. If your child desires to play at a more competitive level, HSC offers the Harbor **Premier** program, which plays in the Regional Club League “RCL”. The RCL is the highest level of competition within the state ages U10 through U18.

Teams will be formed as registration progresses with preliminary rosters established after the closure of the Open Registration Period which is June 15th. Coaches will be distributed their rosters once the information is reported to the association and district which is usually the mid to late July.

Recreational rosters are frozen on October 31st. **Premier** team rosters are frozen on dates mandated by the RCL and WSYSA.

PRACTICE & GAME SCHEDULES:

Practice begins the first week of August for Club teams, second week for **Academy** teams and the third week for the **Micro** teams. Games are in September, October, November and December. **Micro** teams play on Sunday, **Academy** teams typically play on Saturday but may draw a Sunday game and **Club** teams play on Saturday or Sunday, depending on team’s age level, gender and league. Game scheduling is done by TPCJSA and/or District III and is subject to change without HSC’s consultation to accommodate all teams and field conditions.

HSC’s home fields consist of but are not limited to, all fields within Peninsula School District and other venues as leased and available to HSC.