

Application to request team play-up to next age category
Criteria and Rules

Criteria

It is broadly acknowledged that a team may wish to play up 1 age group to experience a higher standard of play. In this regard a coach may apply to the MSA for a play up release if the following criteria are met:

1. The team must be in the U9 – U13 age divisions and can apply during Fall or Spring Registration.
2. All parents must sign a document of request (an individual player may choose not to play up and enter the draft).
3. The coach and team must demonstrate the reasoning for the request.
4. The application must be received and complete before registration closes.
5. The requesting team must have enough returning team members to field a full team at the new level plus 1 additional player. (If age level normally fields 8 players, then the team must have 9.)
6. The Coach must come up with the difference in registration fee within 7 days of approval.
7. MSA reserves the right not to grant approval for any reason.

Rules

If the criteria are met and the team is approved, the following rules will apply:

1. The team is not guaranteed to receive players from the draft.
2. All teams must re-apply at the beginning of each soccer year (Fall Season).
3. The team can not drop back down until the beginning of the next soccer year. (Fall)
4. If attending an MSA sanctioned tournament, including TOC, the team will play at the new level.

Documents to be produced by team coach:

Letter justifying play up request

Letter of request signed by a parent or guardian for each player

Results from last 1-2 seasons

Copy of current or last roster (if current is not released due to open registration)

A committee consisting of the League Commissioner and appropriate League Director(s), Vice President and/or Coaching Director, will review all requests and make a ruling.

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Justification for Application

Team Name and Age Division: _____

Coach Name: _____

Coach Phone and Email: _____

Please justify your play up request: _____

Please list your team results from the last 2 or more seasons:

Please attach a copy of your current roster or your last roster if the current roster has not been released due to open registration.

Please sign and have a parent or guardian sign the following signature page.
