

FAQ
2023-24 FYSA Olympic Development Program (Pool Players)

- **How long will a player be considered part of the FYSA ODP Player Pool?**
Once a player is named to the FYSA ODP Player Pool, they are part of that group until the end of the 2023-24 FL ODP season (July 31, 2024).
- **Will players in the FYSA ODP Player Pool be required to attend any additional trials to remain in the player pool?**
Players will not be required to attend additional trials to maintain their position in the FYSA ODP Player Pool for the current year. To clarify, those in the Player Pool that are not selected for the 23/24 FL ODP State Team, will need to attend another ODP Tryout for the 24/25 ODP season to be placed back into the Player Pool for the following season.
- **Will there be additional players added to the pool?**
Additional players will be added to the FYSA ODP Player Pool in all age groups through various evaluation methods.
- **What should I expect from the ODP Pool Training events?**
Pool Training will be one-two day events. They will be located at various sites around the state. The FYSA ODP Pool Training events will focus on training, development, and preparation for future events.
- **Are players required to attend ODP Pool Training events to be selected to a state team?**
Our goal is to have the best players and the best prepared players. The FYSA ODP strongly recommends that each player who is identified to the pool make every effort to attend each pool training event. Our ODP Pool Training will be structured to build on the previous event. If a player is not in attendance, then he or she will miss out in terms of evaluation and preparation.
- **FYSA Events?**
We have events set up with our male and female players. We will play events with MLS teams, MLS NEXT, other club teams (GA/ECNL), Region South ODP State teams, or international travel.
- **FYSA Pool/Event conflict?**
We have tried to coordinate a schedule that will minimize the number of conflicts with FYSA events. If a player has a conflict with an FYSA Pool Training event versus another FYSA event (Premier Leagues (ex. FSPL), Presidents Cup, State Cup) their first commitment is to their club team. If they are able to attend, they should talk with their coach to allow them to participate in an ODP Pool Training event. Players should notify FYSA ODP staff of their conflicts in events. Players will in no way have a negative consequence for not attending an event.

- **FYSA ODP Curriculum?**

Our main goal in regard to ODP Pool Training, is to provide a high level of development opportunities for our players. FYSA has adopted the curriculum model of US Youth Soccer. The model encourages a possession-style of play. Our goal is to provide training sessions that will encourage the development of the individual player and mirror the player developmental goals of US Youth and US Soccer. We hope that whether a player is identified to a team that they will benefit from this level of training. The clubs have also been encouraged to adopt this curriculum for their teams.

- **How will the State Teams be formed?**

State Teams will be formed from the FYSA ODP Player Pool by the beginning of May. Evaluations of the players will be made in ODP Pool Training, events, and our scouting process. The number of teams and players will be determined based on the depth of the pool in each age group. These players will be brought into two FYSA ODP Team Training events in June in preparation for the Region South Camp. Right now, the plan is to be in Tennessee and our players will be mixed at camp.

- **What will be the cost of this year's program?**

The initial fee of \$190 will cover the FYSA ODP Pool Training events. This fee is due by December 1, 2023, to secure the player's place in the 2023-2024 FYSA ODP Player Pool. Financial Aid based on need will be available for the Region South Camp.

- **Calendar (<https://www.fysa.com/odp/odp-calendar/>)**