



**USYS**  
**FLORIDA**  
— **STATE CUP** —

**Open Cup**

Event	Date	Location
	January 10, 2024	
Open Cup Roster Freeze	January 31, 2024	
Open Cup Self-Schedule Match	February 10, 2024 (Last day to play: February 18)	Home Team's Venue*
Open Cup Neutral Venue Weekend	February 24-25, 2024	Kelly Road Soccer Complex
Rain Date	March 2-3, 2024	TBD

**State Cup**

Event	Date	Location
State Cup Draw	March 6, 2024	
State Cup Roster Freeze	March 26, 2024, at 5pm	
Group Play Self-Schedule Match	April 6, 2024 (Last day to play: April 10)	Home Team's Venue*
Group Play Neutral Venue Weekend	April 13-14, 2024	Tournament Sportsplex of Tampa Bay & JC Handly
Rain Date	April 20-21, 2024	TBD
Elimination Round (Round of 16 & Round of 8)	April 27-28, 2024	Lake Myrtle Sports Complex
Rain Date	May 11-12, 2024	TBD
Finals	May 18-19, 2024	Lake Myrtle Sports Complex

Play Dates  
&  
Roster  
Freeze



# Competition Format and Advancement - Boys



	Open Cup February 10 & 24-25		Group Play April 6 & 13-14		Elimination Round April 27-28		Finals May 18-19	
Age Group	Brackets	Advancement	Brackets	Advancement	Playoffs	Advancement	Playoffs	Advancement
<b>13U Boys</b>	No Open Cup – Teams start in Group Play	-	5 brackets of 4 teams & 1 combined bracket of 6 teams	16 advance (Top 2 from each bracket + 4 WCs)	Round of 16 on Saturday & Round of 8 on Sunday	Single Elimination	Semi-Final on Saturday & Final on Sunday	Single Elimination
<b>14U Boys</b>	No Open Cup – Teams start in Group Play	-	8 brackets of 4 teams	16 advance (Top 2 from each bracket)	Round of 16 on Saturday & Round of 8 on Sunday	Single Elimination	Semi-Final on Saturday & Final on Sunday	Single Elimination
<b>15U Boys</b>	2 brackets of 4 teams	3 advance (Top 1 from each bracket + 1 WC)	8 brackets of 4 teams	16 advance (Top 2 from each bracket)	Round of 16 on Saturday & Round of 8 on Sunday	Single Elimination	Semi-Final on Saturday & Final on Sunday	Single Elimination
<b>16U Boys</b>	3 brackets of 4 teams	3 advance (Top 1 from each bracket)	8 brackets of 4 teams	16 advance (Top 2 from each bracket)	Round of 16 on Saturday & Round of 8 on Sunday	Single Elimination	Semi-Final on Saturday & Final on Sunday	Single Elimination
<b>17U Boys</b>	1 combined bracket of 6 teams	2 advance (Overall Top 2)	8 brackets of 4 teams	16 advance (Top 2 from each bracket)	Round of 16 on Saturday & Round of 8 on Sunday	Single Elimination	Semi-Final on Saturday & Final on Sunday	Single Elimination

# Competition Format and Advancement - Girls

	Open Cup February 10 & 24-25		Group Play April 6 & 13-14		Elimination Round April 27-28		Finals May 18-19	
Age Group	Brackets	Advancement	Brackets	Advancement	Playoffs	Advancement	Playoffs	Advancement
<b>13U Girls</b>	No Open Cup – Teams start in Group Play	-	3 brackets of 3 teams	4 advance to Semi-Final (Top 1 from each bracket + 1 WC)	-	-	Semi-Final on Saturday & Final on Sunday	Single Elimination
<b>14U Girls</b>	No Open Cup – Teams start in Group Play	-	1 bracket of 4 teams & 1 combined bracket of 6 teams	4 advance to Semi-Final (Top 2 from each bracket)	-	-	Semi-Final on Saturday & Final on Sunday	Single Elimination
<b>15U Girls</b>	No Open Cup – Teams start in Group Play	-	3 brackets of 3 teams	4 advance to Semi-Final (Top 1 from each bracket + 1 WC)	-	-	Semi-Final on Saturday & Final on Sunday	Single Elimination
<b>16U Girls</b>	No Open Cup – Teams start in Group Play	-	2 brackets of 4 teams & 1 bracket of 3 teams	8 advance (Top 2 from each bracket + 2 WCs)	Round of 8 on Sunday	Single Elimination	Semi-Final on Saturday & Final on Sunday	Single Elimination
<b>17U Girls</b>	No Open Cup – Teams start in Group Play	-	2 brackets of 4 teams & 1 bracket of 3 teams	8 advance (Top 2 from each bracket + 2 WCs)	Round of 8 on Sunday	Single Elimination	Semi-Final on Saturday & Final on Sunday	Single Elimination

# Open Cup Scheduling

- February 10 (Self-Schedule Match)
  - 1st match of the Open Cup Round
  - Both teams need to agree on kickoff and check uniform colors in the GotSport Chat
  - Home Team schedules match on GotSport ([Click Here for Instructions](#))
  - **Home Team is responsible for assigning referees through a certified Referee Assignor (FYSA will not assign referees)**
  - Date can be changed with both teams' agreement, but must be played by February 18
- February 24-25 (at Kelly Road)
  - 2nd & 3rd match of the Open Cup Round
  - Reschedules not allowed

DATE	LOCATION	LINK
OPEN CUP: February 24-25, 2024	Kelly Road Soccer Complex <i>(10750 Kelly Rd, Fort Myers, FL 33908)</i>	<a href="#">HOTELS</a>
13-17U GROUP PLAY: April 13-14, 2024	<b>Tournament Sportsplex of Tampa Bay</b> <i>(9330 E Columbus Dr, Tampa, FL 33619)</i>  <b>JC Handly Sports Complex</b> <i>(3104 S Kings Ave Brandon 33511)</i>	<a href="#">HOTELS</a>
13-17U ELIMINATION ROUND/18-19U FINALS April 27-28, 2024	Lake Myrtle Sports Park <i>(2701 Lake Myrtle Park Rd, Auburndale, FL 33823)</i>	<a href="#">HOTELS</a>
13-17U FINALS: May 18-19, 2024	Lake Myrtle Sports Park <i>(2701 Lake Myrtle Park Rd, Auburndale, FL 33823)</i>	<a href="#">HOTELS</a>

# Event Hotels

- FYSA is working closely with the Tournament Housing Services (THS) to provide hotel rooming options at the best rates possible during all FYSA hosted event weekends.

# Uniforms

- Teams will be required to communicate uniform colors with each opponent within the GotSport Chat no later than 48 hours before each match.
- Home Team Wears Light Colors **(Jersey and Socks)**
- Away Team Wears Dark Colors **(Jersey and Socks)**
- In the event of a color conflict, the team causing the conflict will need to change (Both teams should always bring both Jerseys and Socks sets)



# Team Responsibilities – Online Check-in

- **Open Cup Teams** will need to complete the Online Check-In by **Friday, February 2**
- **Group Play Teams** will need to complete the Online Check-In by **Friday, March 29**
- The Online Check-In involves:
  - Uploading Team Roster
  - Checking the box confirming you have verified your State Cup roster
  - Uploading Coach/Player Passes
- [Click Here for Online Check-In Instructions](#)

The screenshot displays a web interface for team registration. At the top, a navigation bar includes links for Info, Registration (active), Billing, Roster, Scheduling Requests, Schedule, Team History, Purchase, and Add Ons. The main section is titled 'Registration Form Answers' with an 'Edit' button. It contains three instruction blocks: 1) 'Please upload your State Cup Roster (pulled from the FYSA Registration Event) below:' followed by a confirmation statement 'I have checked the State Cup roster uploaded above and verified that it is accurate.' 2) 'Please upload your FYSA Player and Coach Passes below:' followed by a disclaimer about FYSA's responsibility for cancellations. Each instruction block is followed by a 'Choose File' button and the text 'No file chosen'. At the bottom, there are 'Save' and 'Cancel' buttons.



# Team Responsibilities – Physical Check-in

- **Team Check-In:**

- Teams will check-in at the fields with the referees
- Make sure to arrive at least 1 hour prior to your game at your field
- Each team will pay half of the referee fee in cash before the game (Please see the referee fee on the next column).
- Each team will need to bring the following items:
  - At least one size 5 game ball
  - Game Report
  - Player/Coach Passes (laminated and cut)

- **Referee Fees:**

Referee Fees Per Age Group				
AGE GROUP	REFEREE	ASST REF	TOTAL PER TEAM	Required currency
13U & 14U	\$60.00	\$40.00	\$70.00	20/20/20/5/5
15U & 16U	\$70.00	\$40.00	\$75.00	20/20/20/10/5
17U, 18U, & 19U	\$80.00	\$45.00	\$85.00	20/20/20/10/10/5

# Team Responsibilities – Post-Game Procedures

- Once the game is completed, both teams need to sign the Game Report and take a picture of it.

## **For Self-Schedule games:**

- The team listed as the HOME TEAM is responsible for:
  - Entering the final-score on GotSport
  - Enter any Red Cards
  - Taking a picture of the Game Report and upload it on GotSport (make sure final score and referees' names are included)
  - If the final-score and/or Game Report is not uploaded within 2 business days, the Home Team will be charged a fine of \$50.00.

## **For FYSA neutral venue weekend (Kelly Road):**

- FYSA will collect all Game Reports and update scores and red cards

**At the conclusion of the match, please make sure that the bench area is cleaned and that all trash is disposed of in a proper manner.**

# Roster Procedures and Requirements

## Roster Requirements:

- Maximum Roster Size: 22
- Minimum Roster Size: 11
- Only Primary and CP (Club Pass) players allowed
- No guest/secondary players allowed – **Players that are registered with a different club**
- Players can only be on 1 roster in State Cup (cannot appear on 2 different rosters)
- **Open Cup Roster Freeze: January 31, 2024, at 5pm**
- **Group Play Roster Freeze: March 26, 2024, at 5pm**

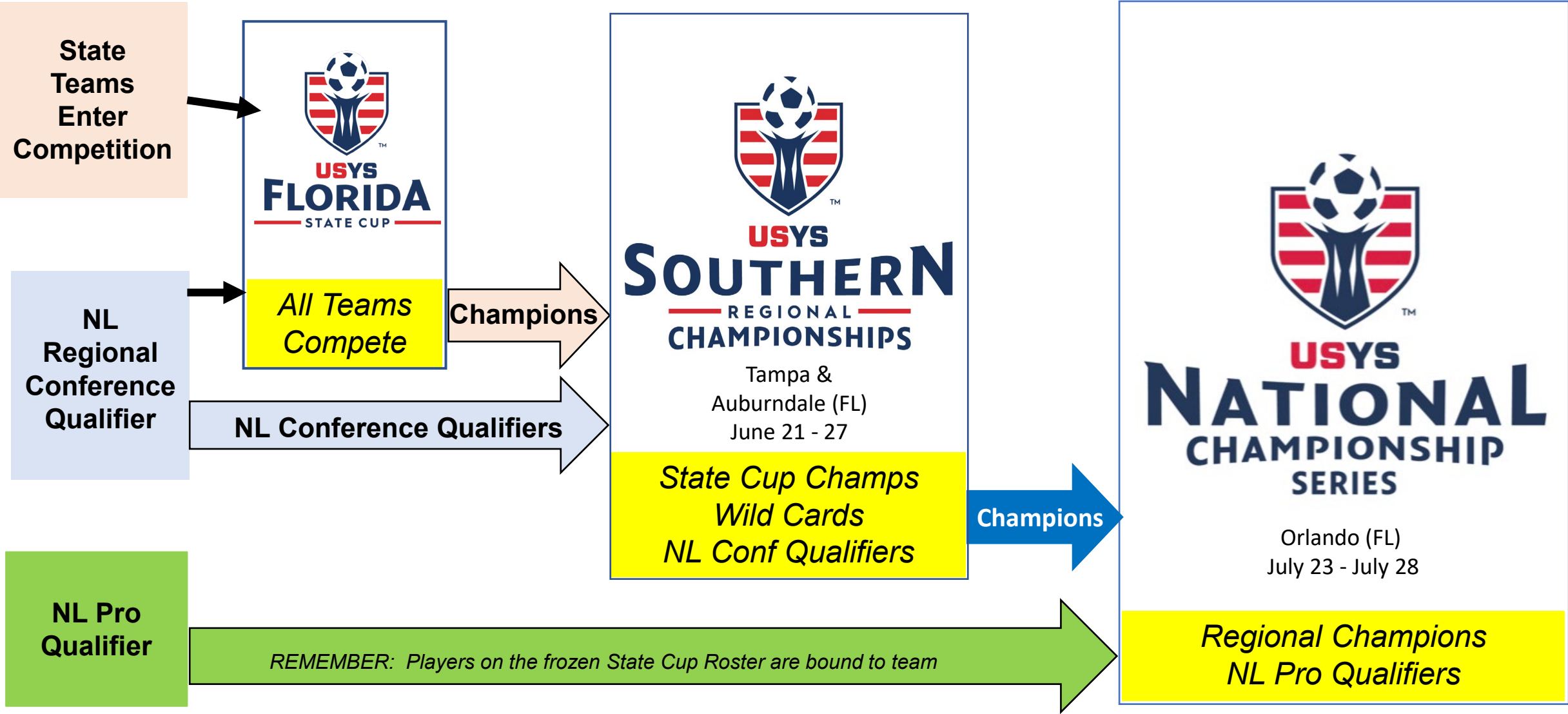
## Roster Procedures:

- Your State Cup Roster will be built in the **2023-2024 FYSA Registration Event on GotSport**, which will be cloned to the State Cup event at Roster Freeze.
  - [Click here for instructions on building your State Cup roster in the FYSA Registration Event](#)
- Ensure that your team and all its players are properly registered in the FYSA Registration Event
  - [Click here for instructions on creating your FYSA Registration Event](#)

# Technical Staff & Spectator Behavior

- Technical Staff who cause issues will be carded/Ejected from matches
- Match officials will provide warnings and that is it; FYSA staff will not intervene or provide warnings
- Spectators
  - Spector disruption will result in fines for the club
  - FYSA staff will contact a team's manager to warn/control their spectators or sideline
  - If disruption continues, security will remove any individuals deemed to be continuous causing disruption
  - FYSA staff will not intervene in any spectator disputes; Complaints about referee decisions or judgement calls will not be entertained
  - No parents or spectators should enter the field or player sidelines at any point in time

# Path to Regionals & National Championship



# Questions?

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