

2024 Proposed Rule Changes

Rule #102.3 Page #35

CURRENT	REDLINE	PROPOSED	NOTES
<p>102.3. The completed affiliation application packet, items 1-15, shall be submitted to FYSA’s State Office not later than sixty (60) days prior to the date of a scheduled meeting of the BOD. FYSA will verify that the application is complete, and all necessary documentation is present. For any affiliation application not completed by sixty (60) days prior to the date of a scheduled BOD meeting, all documentation and/or fees will be returned to the applicant for re-filing at a later date. FYSA will then forward a copy of all documentation regarding the new affiliation to the Vice President of Administration and Communication. FYSA’s Vice President of Administration and Communication will notify the RVP in the region in which the new affiliation would reside. FYSA’s Vice President of Administration and</p>	<p>102.3. The completed affiliation application packet, items 1-15, shall be must be submitted to FYSA’s State Office not later than sixty (60) days November 1st to be considered at the January prior to the date of a scheduled meeting of the BOD meeting. FYSA will verify that the application is complete, and all necessary documentation has been is present included. For any affiliation application not completed by sixty (60) days prior to the date of a scheduled BOD meeting, all documentation and/or fees will be returned to the applicant for re-filing at a later date. Incomplete applications will be returned for correction and resubmission by December 1st. Late applications whether complete or incomplete will not be accepted. FYSA will then forward the completed application packet a copy of</p>	<p>102.3. The completed affiliation application packet, must be submitted to FYSA’s State Office not later than November 1st to be considered at the January BOD meeting. FYSA will verify that the application is complete, and all necessary documentation has been included. Incomplete applications will be returned for correction and resubmission by December 1st. Late applications whether complete or incomplete will not be accepted. FYSA will forward the completed application packet to the Regional Vice President and Regional Commissioners in the region in which the new affiliation would reside. Only completed applications will be presented at the January BOD meeting. Approved affiliations will take effect in the upcoming seasonal year. The complete packet will include the following:</p>	<p>The current FYSA Rule allows for affiliations to come anytime during the seasonal year. Having one set date will allow new affiliates to start their affiliation along with all the other members of FYSA. Approved new affiliates will be able to be onboarded with FYSA and GotSport, hold tryouts and register players at the beginning of the season versus throughout the season.</p> <p><i>Submitted by: Jennifer DiTillio, Joanne Quinn, Becky McClaren - Rules Committee Member, West Florida Flames, Cape Coral</i></p> <p><i>Recommendation of the Committee: Decision of the Membership</i></p>

<p>Communication shall only present the completed applications at the BOD meeting. The complete packet will consist of:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Completed affiliation application form. 2. Affiliate fee. New affiliates will pay an affiliation fee for the first two (2) years in the amount of \$5000.00 to be utilized as follows: Affiliation fee of \$2,000.00, prepaid registration fees in the amount of \$3000.00 (Any unused registration fees not utilized in the first two years will be carried forward to the third-year affiliation. At the end of the third year, all unused registration fees will revert to FYSA's general fund.) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. A waiver to Rule 102.3 (2) (the additional \$3,000.00) may be granted if it is in the best interest of FYSA. B. A written request for waiver must be submitted with the application for affiliation. This request for waiver must be approved by the RVP, and 	<p>all documentation regarding the new affiliation to the Vice President of Administration and Communication. FYSA's Vice President of Administration and Communication will notify Regional Vice President and Regional Commissioners RVP in the region in which the new affiliation would reside. FYSA's Vice President of Administration and Communication shall Only present the completed applications will be presented at the January BOD meeting. Approved affiliations will take effect in the upcoming seasonal year. The complete packet will consist of include the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Completed affiliation application form. 2. Affiliate fee. New affiliates will pay an affiliation fee for the first two (2) years in the amount of \$5000.00 to be utilized as follows: Affiliation fee of \$2,000.00, prepaid registration fees in the amount of \$3000.00 (Any unused 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Completed affiliation application form. 2. Affiliate fee. New affiliates will pay an affiliation fee for the first two (2) years in the amount of \$5000.00 to be utilized as follows: Affiliation fee of \$2,000.00, prepaid registration fees in the amount of \$3000.00 (Any unused registration fees not utilized in the first two years will be carried forward to the third-year affiliation. At the end of the third year, all unused registration fees will revert to FYSA's general fund.) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. A waiver to Rule 102.3 (2) (the additional \$3,000.00) may be granted if it is in the best interest of FYSA. B. A written request for waiver must be submitted with the application for affiliation. This must be approved by the RVP, and the BOD of FYSA. The decision of the BOD is final, binding and not appealable by any of the parties. 	
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<p>the BOD of FYSA. The decision of the BOD is final, binding and not appealable by any of the parties.</p> <p>3. Playing field availability (1 – 11v11 and 1 – 9v9); written proof of playing field availability from the owner.</p> <p>4. List of BOD members – must have at least four (4) different and distinct board members.</p> <p>5. Documentation that all BOD members have submitted and satisfied all requirements of the FYSA Risk Management Policy and have no recent documented violations of the FYSA Risk Management Policy.</p> <p>6. A copy of the affiliate’s bylaws and rules.</p> <p>7. Documentation that the affiliate is a registered business with the State of Florida. Acceptable forms of proof include the following (the affiliates name must be listed):</p>	<p>registration fees not utilized in the first two years will be carried forward to the third-year affiliation. At the end of the third year, all unused registration fees will revert to FYSA’s general fund.)</p> <p>A. A waiver to Rule 102.3 (2) (the additional \$3,000.00) may be granted if it is in the best interest of FYSA.</p> <p>B. A written request for waiver must be submitted with the application for affiliation. This request for waiver must be approved by the RVP, and the BOD of FYSA. The decision of the BOD is final, binding and not appealable by any of the parties.</p> <p>3. Playing field availability (1 – 11v11 and 1 – 9v9); written proof of playing field availability from the owner.</p> <p>4. List of BOD members – must have at least four (4) different and distinct board members.</p> <p>5. Documentation that all BOD</p>	<p>3. Playing field availability (1 – 11v11 and 1 – 9v9); written proof of playing field availability from the owner.</p> <p>4. List of BOD members – must have at least four (4) different and distinct board members.</p> <p>5. Documentation that all BOD members have submitted and satisfied all requirements of the FYSA Risk Management Policy and have no recent documented violations of the FYSA Risk Management Policy.</p> <p>6. A copy of the affiliate’s bylaws and rules.</p> <p>7. Documentation that the affiliate is a registered business with the State of Florida. Acceptable forms of proof include the following (the affiliates name must be listed):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tax Id Documentation • State/Federal Tax Returns • Business license 	
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Rule #211.4 Page #52

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<p>211.4 HEADING RULE</p> <p>Deliberate or accidental heading is not allowed in 11U and below games. If a player deliberately or accidentally heads the ball in a game, an indirect free kick should be awarded to the opposing team from the spot of the offense. If the deliberate or accidental header occurs within the goal area, the indirect free kick should be taken on the goal area line parallel to the goal line at the nearest point to where the offense occurred. (1) Heading is allowed in games 12U and older without limitations. For players in 12U and 13U, heading training should be limited to a maximum of 30 minutes per week with no more than 15-20 headers per player, per week. (2) Heading is only allowed by players that have turned 11-years-old. If a 10-year-old is playing in a game, he is not allowed to</p>	<p>211.4 HEADING RULE</p> <p>Deliberate or accidental heading is not allowed in 11U and below games. If a player deliberately or accidentally heads the ball in a game, an indirect free kick should be awarded to the opposing team from the spot of the offense. If the deliberate or accidental header occurs within the goal area, the indirect free kick should be taken on the goal area line parallel to the goal line at the nearest point to where the offense occurred. (1) Heading is allowed in games 12U and older without limitations. For players in 12U and 13U, heading training should be limited to a maximum of 30 minutes per week with no more than 15-20 headers per player, per week. (2) Heading is only allowed by players that have turned 11-years-old. If a 10-year-old is playing in a game, he is not allowed to</p>	<p>211.4 HEADING RULE</p> <p>Player Eligibility</p> <p>All Players age 10 years of age and under shall not head the ball directly from the air in any match or competition, nor shall these players practice heading the ball in any organized team setting.</p> <p>Players age 11 and age 12 shall be permitted to head the ball in any match or competition. These players may practice heading the ball in an organized team practice or skill session, but coaches shall monitor this practice so that no single player heads the ball more than 25 times per week, regardless of setting. Balls should be inflated to the IFAB official minimum standard of 8.5psi.</p> <p>Players age 13 and older shall be permitted to head the ball in any match or competition and these players may practice</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Standardize the language by adopting the exact language regarding Heading from US YOUTH SOCCER POLICY ON PLAYERS AND PLAYING RULES As of April 23, 2022 Rule 305. Section 3 2. Clarify the referee's interpretation by applying the interpretation of a "deliberate offense" under IFAB Law 12.1 "Handling the ball" to Heading 3. Remove the sanction for "accidental heading of the ball" 4. Remove the age-group (12U, 13U, etc) terminology to avoid confusion 5. Added IFAB Law 2.1 official ball minimum psi, based on the Journal of Science and Medicine in Sports (June 2024 edition) article suggesting lower ball pressure reduces the concussive forces to the head.

<p>head the ball, and it is the responsibility of the coaches and club to make sure this is clearly communicated prior to each game.</p>	<p>head the ball, and it is the responsibility of the coaches and club to make sure this is clearly communicated prior to each game.</p> <p>Player Eligibility</p> <p>All Players age 10 years of age and under shall not head the ball directly from the air in any match or competition, nor shall these players practice heading the ball in any organized team setting.</p> <p>Players age 11 and age 12 shall be permitted to head the ball in any match or competition. These players may practice heading the ball in an organized team practice or skill session, but coaches shall monitor this practice so that no single player heads the ball more than 25 times per week, regardless of setting. Balls should be inflated to the IFAB official minimum standard of 8.5psi.</p>	<p>heading the ball in an organized team practice or skill session.</p> <p>Heading the ball</p> <p>In games where deliberate heading is not allowed, it is an offense if a player:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * deliberately touches the ball with their head, for example moving their head towards the ball * scores in the opponents' goal: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - directly from their head, even if accidental - immediately after the ball has touched their head, even if accidental 	<p>Introducing heading to 11 and 12 year old's must be done safely, with balls inflated to the safest legal standard.</p> <p><i>Submitted by: Jason Churcher - Indialantic Youth Soccer Association</i></p> <p><i>Recommendation of the Committee: Decision of the Membership</i></p>
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Rule #1000 Page #85/86

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<p>1000. OLYMPIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM</p> <p>1001. GENERAL PROVISIONS</p> <p>1001.1 The main goal of the Florida Youth Soccer Association Olympic Development Program is to identify players for our men’s and women’s Youth National Teams. This selection process takes place through state, regional and national trials.</p> <p>1001.2 Technical assistance in the form of a program description shall be published. The program description shall provide the procedures for participating in the Olympic Development Program, current fee schedule, time requirements, and any other directions necessary for participation in the program.</p> <p>1001.3 The Director of Coaching and Player</p>	<p>1002. OLYMPIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM</p> <p>1003. GENERAL PROVISIONS</p> <p>1001.1 The main goal of the Florida Youth Soccer Association Olympic Development Program is to identify players for our men’s and women’s Youth National Teams. This selection process takes place through state, regional and national trials. FYSA shall offer an Olympic Development Program following US Youth Soccer and USSF Bylaws and policies.</p> <p>1001.2 Technical assistance in the form of a program description shall be published. The program description shall provide the procedures for participating in the Olympic Development Program, current fee schedule, time requirements, and any other</p>	<p>1002. OLYMPIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM</p> <p>1003. GENERAL PROVISIONS</p> <p>1001.1 FYSA shall offer an Olympic Development Program following US Youth Soccer and USSF Bylaws and policies.</p> <p>1001.2 The Director of Coaching & Player Development, in coordination with the Olympic Development Program Committee, shall have oversight of the program.</p> <p>1001.3 Participants shall be required to be registered with FYSA.</p> <p>1001.4 The FYSA Olympic Development Program shall identify players based on ability and establish pathways for identification and development.</p>	<p>ODP is a program of both USYS and USSF. FYSA has limited authority over many of the aspects of the program. The current rules for ODP are excessively granular and may restrict the program from national requirements or developmental necessities.</p> <p><i>Submitted by: Jennifer DiTillio - Rules Committee Member/TOPSoccer Committee Chairperson</i></p> <p><i>Recommendation of the Committee: Recommend Approval</i></p>

<p>Development, in coordination with the Olympic Development Program Committee shall have oversight of the program and be responsible for developing the format, holding the trials and selecting the coaches for the program.</p> <p>1001.3.1 An active club/league coach shall not coach, assist and/or advise in ODP in the same age group and gender in which they currently coach.</p> <p>1001.4 Fees shall be required in order to finance the program which shall be in addition to the required registration fees for FYSA. Selected player may also be responsible for travel fees to trials, matches, and tournament, and for room and board while traveling. It may also be necessary to pay uniform fees if not sponsored.</p> <p>1001.5 Trialist and selected player conduct shall be in keeping with the principles of good sportsmanship, and players shall commit no acts</p>	<p>directions necessary for participation in the program.</p> <p>1001.3 1001.2 The Director of Coaching & and Player Development, in coordination with the Olympic Development Program Committee, shall have oversight of the program. and be responsible for developing the format, holding the trials and selecting the coaches for the program.</p> <p>1001.3.1 An active club/league coach shall not coach, assist and/or advise in ODP in the same age group and gender in which they currently coach.</p> <p>1001.3 1001.4 Fees shall be required in order to finance the program which shall be in addition to the required registration fees for FYSA. Selected player may also be responsible for travel fees to trials, matches, and tournament, and for room and board while traveling. It may also be necessary to pay uniform fees if not sponsored.</p>		
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<p>which may discredit themselves or FYSA.</p> <p>1001.6 The program format requires the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A player may be identified in age group trials that are set up throughout the state or through the FYSA scouting program. 2. The number of players selected at the Region level shall be unlimited. The State pool in each age group will depend on the player pool. The number of teams identified will be determined by the size of the player pool. 3. Player registration with FYSA is required. 4. Pre-Registration for a trial is required for all players. 5. Advancing to State trials requires selection from the Regional trials, scouted by FYSA scouting program or previously identified to Region III Pool or National Pool unless granted exception from 	<p>Participants shall be required to be registered with FYSA.</p> <p>1001.4 1001.5 Trialist and selected player conduct shall be in keeping with the principles of good sportsmanship, and players shall commit no acts which may discredit themselves or FYSA. The FYSA Olympic Development Program shall identify players based on ability and establish pathways for identification and development.</p> <p>1001.6 The program format requires the following:</p> <p>9. A player may be identified in age group trials that are set up throughout the state or through the FYSA scouting program.</p> <p>10. The number of players selected at the Region level shall be unlimited. The State pool in each age group will depend on the player pool. The number of teams identified</p>		
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<p>the Olympic Development Program Committee (see Rule 1001.7).</p> <p>6. Required forms must be submitted by players to the State Office to advance to State level.</p> <p>7. Expenses for travel, room, and food shall be incurred by the selected player unless specifically provided for by FYSA.</p> <p>8. U.S. Citizenship is not a requirement to participate in ODP at the State level.</p> <p>1001.7 Exceptions to trial participation shall be made for justifiable cause such as illness or other extenuating circumstances. A player requesting an exception shall submit a written request to attend State Trials with the proper documentation.</p> <p>1001.8 Age groups are determined by the International age cutoff dates which change periodically and may not coincide with the US Youth</p>	<p>will be determined by the size of the player pool.</p> <p>11. Player registration with FYSA is required.</p> <p>12. Pre-Registration for a trial is required for all players.</p> <p>13. Advancing to State trials requires selection from the Regional trials, scouted by FYSA scouting program or previously identified to Region III Pool or National Pool unless granted exception from the Olympic Development Program Committee (see Rule 1001.7).</p> <p>14. Required forms must be submitted by players to the State Office to advance to State level.</p> <p>15. Expenses for travel, room, and food shall be incurred by the selected player unless specifically provided for by FYSA.</p>		
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<p>Soccer cutoff dates. It is recommended that players enter in their age group and not in a higher group.</p>	<p>16. U.S. Citizenship is not a requirement to participate in ODP at the State level.</p> <p>1001.7 Exceptions to trial participation shall be made for justifiable cause such as illness or other extenuating circumstances. A player requesting an exception shall submit a written request to attend State Trials with the proper documentation.</p> <p>1001.8 Age groups are determined by the International age cutoff dates which change periodically and may not coincide with the US Youth Soccer cutoff dates. It is recommended that players enter in their age group and not in a higher group.</p>		
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Rule #2000 Page #86/87

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<p>2000. COACHING DEVELOPMENT</p> <p>2001. GENERAL PROVISIONS</p> <p>2001.1 State level coaching development is designed to provide instruction in soccer coaching for any individual regardless of coaching or playing background. The philosophy is to expose the beginner or novice to coaching and teaching methods which are economical and efficient. This is achieved by the development of State level coaching courses.</p> <p>2001.2 Procedures for hosting courses shall be published and posted on the FYSA website. The procedures shall provide the process for scheduling courses, course curriculum, current fee schedule, time requirements and any other directions necessary for obtaining a State-level coaching license. The hosting procedures shall be binding on all affiliates and/or participants.</p>	<p>2000. COACHING DEVELOPMENT</p> <p>2001. GENERAL PROVISIONS</p> <p>2001.1 State level coaching development is designed to provide instruction in soccer coaching for any individual regardless of coaching or playing background. The philosophy is to expose the beginner or novice to coaching and teaching methods which are economical and efficient. This is achieved by the development of State level coaching courses. FYSA shall offer coaching education opportunities in accordance with USSF Bylaws, policies, and mandates.</p> <p>2001.2 Procedures for hosting courses shall be published and posted on the FYSA website. The procedures shall provide the process for scheduling</p>	<p>2000. COACHING DEVELOPMENT</p> <p>2001. GENERAL PROVISIONS</p> <p>2001.1 FYSA shall offer coaching education opportunities in accordance with USSF Bylaws, policies, and mandates.</p> <p>2001.2 Procedures for hosting courses shall be published and posted on the FYSA website. The procedures shall provide the process for scheduling courses, course curriculum, current fee schedule, time requirements and any other directions necessary for obtaining a State-level coaching license. The hosting procedures shall be binding on all affiliates and/or participants.</p> <p>2001.3 Program administration shall be overseen by the Vice</p>	<p>The majority of coach education is dictated by USSF (curriculum, length, size, frequency, etc.). The existing rule is dated. E, F, and the National Youth Licenses no longer exist.</p> <p><i>Submitted by: Jennifer DiTillio - Rules Committee Member/TOPSoccer Committee Chairperson</i></p> <p><i>Recommendation of the Committee: Recommend Approval</i></p>

<p>2001.3 Program administration shall be overseen by the Vice President of Player and Coaching Development.</p> <p>The Director of Coaching and Player Development will be responsible for all correspondence between the Affiliate requesting the course and the State Office. He/she will assign Staff Coaches, ensure proper forms are completed and submit necessary documents for coach's fees to be paid.</p> <p>2001.4 State coaching courses will conform to curriculum developed by US Soccer Federation. Additional courses and clinics may be developed by FYSA to meet the needs of its membership.</p> <p>2001.5 The instructional staff shall be certified and administered by the Director of Coaching and Player Development. The staff shall be drawn from those coaches holding a National A, B, or National Youth License. Certification as an instructor is dependent upon the instructor's attending staff training sessions and demonstrating an ability to teach.</p>	<p>courses, course curriculum, current fee schedule, time requirements and any other directions necessary for obtaining a State-level coaching license. The hosting procedures shall be binding on all affiliates and/or participants.</p> <p>2001.3 Program administration shall be overseen by the Vice President of Player and Coaching Development. The Director of Coaching and Player Development will be responsible for all correspondence between the Affiliate requesting the course and the State Office. He/she will assign Staff Coaches, ensure proper forms are completed and submit necessary documents for coach's fees to be paid.</p> <p>2001.4 State coaching courses will conform to curriculum developed by US Soccer Federation. Additional courses and clinics may be developed by FYSA to meet the needs of its membership.</p>	<p>President of Player and Coaching Development.</p> <p>2001.4 State coaching courses will conform to curriculum developed by US Soccer Federation. Additional courses and clinics may be developed by FYSA to meet the needs of its membership.</p>	
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<p>2001.6 National licensed coaches may instruct State levels as follows; however, exceptions may be made by permission of the Director of Coaching and Player Development:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A - D, E or F Courses 2. B - D, E or F Courses 3. C - E or F Courses 4. National Youth License and C (or higher) Modules <p>2001.7 Fees shall be charged for all four levels of licenses as specified in the Coaching Manual to support the program and are due and payable upon application. The fee charged each participant for any particular course shall be the same throughout the State, thus, people in outlying Districts are not penalized with extra travel expenses for the instructor.</p>	<p>2001.5 The instructional staff shall be certified and administered by the Director of Coaching and Player Development. The staff shall be drawn from those coaches holding a National A, B, or National Youth License. Certification as an instructor is dependent upon the instructor's attending staff training sessions and demonstrating an ability to teach.</p> <p>2001.6 National licensed coaches may instruct State levels as follows; however, exceptions may be made by permission of the Director of Coaching and Player Development:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A - D, E or F Courses 2. B - D, E or F Courses 3. C - E or F Courses 4. National Youth License and C (or higher) Modules <p>2001.7 Fees shall be charged for all four levels of licenses as</p>		
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<p>9. The RVP may not serve more than four (4) fully elected consecutive terms.</p>	<p>9. The RVP may not serve more than four (4) fully elected consecutive terms.</p>		<p>Congruency with all proposed rule change 3009 and bylaw change 2.5</p> <p><i>Submitted by: Cris Whittaker - FYSA BOD</i></p> <p><i>Recommendation of the Committee: Decision of the Membership</i></p> <p>**Note** This submitted amendment impacts the 2023 membership supported bylaw revision as presented at this AGM by the FYSA Rules and Revisions Committee. Should the bylaw revision be adopted, this amendment will not be considered.</p>

Rule #3009 Page #90/91

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<p>3009. TERMS OF OFFICE OFFICERS TERM ELECTED TERM LIMIT</p> <p>1. President Two (2) years Even Years (Not serving more than four (4) consecutive terms)</p> <p>2. Secretary Two (2) years Odd Years (Not serving more than four (4) consecutive terms)</p> <p>3. Treasurer Two (2) years Even Years (Not serving more than four (4) consecutive terms)</p> <p>4. VP of Player/ Coach Development Two (2) years Odd Years (Not serving more than four (4) consecutive terms)</p> <p>5. VP of Admin/ Communications Two (2) years Even Years -</p>	<p>3009. TERMS OF OFFICE OFFICERS TERM ELECTED TERM LIMIT</p> <p>1. President Two (2) years Even Years (Not serving more than four (4) consecutive terms)</p> <p>2. Secretary Two (2) years Odd Years (Not serving more than four (4) consecutive terms)</p> <p>3. Treasurer Two (2) years Even Years (Not serving more than four (4) consecutive terms)</p> <p>4. VP of Player/ Coach Development Two (2) years Odd Years (Not serving more than four (4) consecutive terms)</p> <p>5. VP of Admin/ Communications Two (2) years Even Years -</p>	<p>3009. TERMS OF OFFICE OFFICERS TERM ELECTED</p> <p>1. President Two (2) years Even Years</p> <p>2. Secretary Two (2) years Odd Years</p> <p>3. Treasurer Two (2) years Even Years</p> <p>4. VP of Player/ Coach Development Two (2) years Odd Years</p> <p>5. VP of Admin/ Communications Two (2) years Even Years</p> <p>6. VP of Competitions Two (2) years Odd Years</p> <p>7. Registrar Two (2) years Odd Years</p> <p>8. VP of Region Two (2) years A, C Odd Years B, D Even Years</p>	<p>Rationale for Limiting Board of Directors' Role to 4 Consecutive Terms</p> <p>1. Promotion of Fresh Perspectives: Rotating Board members regularly ensures the infusion of new ideas and diverse viewpoints, vital for strategic innovation and adaptation to changing circumstances. This policy guards against stagnation and fosters dynamic decision- making essential for FYSA's vitality in the ever-changing environment.</p> <p>2. Prevention of Entrenchment: Term limits mitigate the risk of Board members becoming entrenched in their positions, preserving accountability and responsiveness to evolving stakeholder needs. By encouraging turnover, the organization maintains a culture of renewal and prevents the concentration of</p>

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	<p>office or a different office, once the maximum of four (4) terms has been reached in any capacity on the board.</p>		<p><i>Submitted by: Cris Whittaker - FYSA BOD</i></p> <p><i>Recommendation of the Committee: Decision of the Membership</i></p> <p>**Note** This submitted amendment impacts the 2023 membership supported bylaw revision as presented at this AGM by the FYSA Rules and Revisions Committee. Should the bylaw revision be adopted, this amendment will not be considered.</p>
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Rule #5008.2, 5008.3, 5008.6, 5008.7 Page #97/98

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<p>5008.2 RC elections shall be held within the Region prior to the AGM and supervised by the RVP or his/her designee. Nominations shall be accepted from the floor even if a slate has been presented. Eligibility requires the affiliate to be “in good standing” at the time of the election. Election by email shall be permitted under the supervision of the RVP and the FYSA Secretary, who shall approve the procedure.</p> <p>5008.3 RVP elections shall be held at the AGM after all other elections have been conducted. The Credentials Committee shall conduct the election. Only those Affiliates within the Region who have been verified and are "in good standing" shall be eligible to vote for their Regional candidates. If a candidate is unopposed, voting need not be by secret ballot. Nominations shall be accepted from the floor.</p>	<p>5008.2 RC elections shall be held within the Region prior to the AGM and supervised by the RVP or his/her designee. Nominations shall be due 30 days prior to the election and only accepted from the floor if no nominations were received 30 days in advance. even if a slate has been presented. Eligibility requires the affiliate to be “in good standing” at the time of the election. Election by email shall be permitted under the supervision of the RVP and the FYSA Secretary, who shall approve the procedure.</p> <p>5008.3 RVP elections shall be held at the AGM after all other elections have been conducted. The Credentials Committee shall conduct the election. Only those Affiliates within the Region who have been verified and are "in good standing" shall be eligible to vote for their Regional candidates. If a candidate is</p>	<p>5008.2 RC elections shall be held within the Region prior to the AGM and supervised by the RVP or his/her designee. Nominations shall be due 30 days prior to the election and only accepted from the floor if no nominations were received 30 days in advance. Eligibility requires the affiliate to be “in good standing” at the time of the election. Election by email shall be permitted under the supervision of the RVP and the FYSA Secretary, who shall approve the procedure.</p> <p>5008.3 RVP elections shall be held at the AGM after all other elections have been conducted. The Credentials Committee shall conduct the election. Only those Affiliates within the Region who have been verified and are "in good standing" shall be eligible to vote for their Regional candidates. If a candidate is unopposed, voting need not be by secret ballot. Nominations</p>	<p>Requiring nominations in advance of the AGM aligns with election procedures for both US Soccer and US Youth Soccer. Nominations from the floor would still be accepted in cases where no one has been nominated 30 days in advance. The 30-day deadline for nominations would allow for proper vetting of candidates especially for risk management matters. Additionally, affiliates will be better prepared to cast their vote if they know, in advance, the complete slate of candidates. This will also benefit affiliates who proxy their vote. Affiliates who send a proxy are currently at a disadvantage should someone elect to run from the floor at the AGM.</p> <p><i>Submitted by: Mike Sroka - GCFYSL</i></p> <p><i>Recommendation of the Committee: Decision of the Membership</i></p>

<p>5008.6 FYSA shall post a notice of all elections, their duties, and the process for nominations on the FYSA website at least 90 days prior to the AGM. FYSA will present a slate of candidates for all positions at least 30 days prior to the AGM. The list of candidates shall be given to the affiliates at registration. FYSA does not choose the candidates only facilitate an orderly nomination process. The candidates must be nominated in the same manner from the floor.</p> <p>5008.7 Nominations from the floor shall be accepted prior to the close of nominations. The maker of the nomination may speak for one (1) minute and the nomination must be seconded. The person seconding the nomination shall not speak. The person nominated can refuse the nomination. Nominations for that position shall then be closed by the Secretary hearing no further nominations.</p>	<p>unopposed, voting need not be by secret ballot. Nominations shall be accepted from the floor. Nominations shall be due 30 days prior to the AGM and only accepted from the floor if no nominations were received 30 days in advance.</p> <p>5008.6 FYSA shall post a notice of all elections, their duties, and the process for nominations on the FYSA website at least 90 days prior to the AGM. FYSA will present a slate of candidates for all positions at least 30 20 days prior to the AGM. The list of candidates shall be given to the affiliates at registration. FYSA does not choose the candidates only facilitate an orderly nomination process. The candidates must be nominated in the same manner from the floor.</p> <p>5008.7 Nominations from the floor shall be accepted due 30 days prior to the AGM and only accepted from the floor if no nominations were</p>	<p>shall be due 30 days prior to the AGM and only accepted from the floor if no nominations were received 30 days in advance.</p> <p>5008.6 FYSA shall post a notice of all elections, their duties, and the process for nominations on the FYSA website at least 90 days prior to the AGM. FYSA will present a slate of candidates for all positions at least 20 days prior to the AGM. The list of candidates shall be given to the affiliates at registration. FYSA does not choose the candidates only facilitate an orderly nomination process. The candidates must be nominated in the same manner from the floor.</p> <p>Nominations shall be due 30 days prior to the AGM and only accepted from the floor if no nominations were received 30 days in advance. The maker of the nomination may speak for one (1) minute and the nomination must be seconded. The person seconding the</p>	
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Rule #5008.10 Page #98

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<p>5008.10 Method of voting shall be secret ballot with Credentials Committee supervising that eligible votes are being and have been cast.</p>	<p>5008.10 Method of voting shall be secret ballot with Credentials Committee supervising that eligible votes are being and have been cast. The method of voting shall be by secret ballot, supervised by the Credentials Committee to ensure the eligibility and accuracy of votes. An exception to this rule applies in cases of election by acclamation, where a single candidate runs unopposed, thereby waiving the requirement for a secret ballot.</p>	<p>5008.10 The method of voting shall be by secret ballot, supervised by the Credentials Committee to ensure the eligibility and accuracy of votes. An exception to this rule applies in cases of election by acclamation, where a single candidate runs unopposed, thereby waiving the requirement for a secret ballot.</p>	<p>FYSA Rule 5008.10 currently requires a secret ballot for all elections even when an individual is running unopposed. This amendment allows candidates to be elected by acclamation should they be running unopposed.</p> <p><i>Submitted by: Jennifer DiTillio - Rules and Revisions Committee Member/TOPSoccer Committee Chairperson</i></p> <p><i>Recommendation of the Committee: Recommend Approval</i></p>

2024 Proposed Glossary Changes

Glossary Page #117-119

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<p>Recreational League</p> <p>An inter-club league in which use of try-outs, invitations, recruiting or any like process to roster players selectively to any team based on talent or ability is prohibited. Accepts any and all youths (subject to reasonable registration); system of rostering players is employed for the purpose of creating a fair or balanced distribution of playing teams.</p>	<p>Recreational League</p> <p>An inter-club league in which use of try-outs, invitations, recruiting or any like process to roster players selectively to any team based on talent or ability is prohibited. Accepts any and all youths (subject to reasonable registration); system of rostering players is employed for the purpose of creating a fair or balanced distribution of playing teams.</p>	<p>“recreational all-star team” means an intraclub tournament team whose roster only includes players selected from teams that participate in the same recreational league or recreation plus league.</p> <p>“recreational league” means an intraclub league in which— (A) the use of tryouts, invitations, recruiting, or any similar process to roster players to any team on the basis of talent or ability is prohibited; (B) the club administering the league accepts as participants in the league any eligible youths (subject to reasonable terms on registration); (C) a system of rostering players is used to establish a fair or balanced distribution of playing talent among all teams participating; and</p>	<p>These are the definitions for recreational teams and leagues under Rule 101. DEFINITIONS, Section 2, US YOUTH SOCCER POLICY ON PLAYERS AND PLAYING RULES As of April 23, 2022</p> <p>The main difference between the USYS and FYSA rules is that USYS requires the system of rostering for an intraclub league be used to create fair or balanced teams. Note this rule does not apply to a "recreational plus league" which can be interclub. In the case of an interclub recreational league, creating "fair and balanced teams" across multiple clubs is not possible. The basis for rostering often includes pairing siblings, and friends on the same team for interclub travel.</p> <p>Adopting the language of USYS will allow interclub</p>
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