



## Illinois Youth Soccer 5-Star Competitive Club Recognition Application

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This recognition is awarded to a Competitive Club (“Club”) that is a member of an Illinois Youth Soccer (“IYSA”) Member League who promotes Illinois Youth Soccer programs, coaching education, referee development, risk management, parent education and sideline behavior. Additionally to be eligible for this recognition, all of the Club’s competitive teams/players and recreational program teams/players, with the exception of the Club’s US Soccer Academy primary teams who are excluded from participating in any other program by US Soccer, must be registered and remain registered with an Illinois Youth Soccer Member League.

### Illinois Youth Soccer 5-Star Club Recognition Benefits

A Club that earns the prestigious Illinois Youth Soccer 5-Star Club Recognition will receive the following benefits from Illinois Youth Soccer:

- IYSA 5-Star Club Recognition Logo for display on the Club’s website and publications
- Listing on Illinois Youth Soccer website, e-newsletter and Network News that is distributed to approximately 90,000 families statewide
- One (1) free banner ad in Illinois Kicks e-newsletter for the Club’s next tryouts
- One (1) free Grassroots License Pathway or D License Grassroots Pathway coaching course credit for use by one of the Club’s coaching candidates
- Other promotional opportunities

### Certification

*I, the undersigned, certify that I am the official representative authorized to act on behalf of the Club, that I understand and agree to the terms of this recognition, and that the information provided in this Application is complete and accurate.*

Club Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Club Official Completing this Application: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Day/Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

**Please complete and submit this form and required documents by email, fax or mail to:**  
**Illinois Youth Soccer Association**  
**1655 S. Arlington Heights Road, Suite 201, Arlington Heights, IL 60005**  
**Phone: 847/290-1577, ext 11 Fax: 847-290-1577 Email: [mjb@illinoisyouthsoccer.org](mailto:mjb@illinoisyouthsoccer.org)**

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## Illinois Youth Soccer Membership & Support

- I certify that ALL** of the Club's competitive teams/players and recreational program teams/players, with the exception of the Club's US Soccer Academy primary teams who are excluded from participating in any other program by US Soccer, are registered with an Illinois Youth Soccer Member League.

Number of Teams in the Club: \_\_\_\_\_

No of Girls Teams \_\_\_\_\_ U-Age: \_\_\_\_\_

No of Boys Teams \_\_\_\_\_ U-Age: \_\_\_\_\_

The Club's teams are currently registered with the following Illinois Youth Soccer Competitive Member League(s):

- Central Illinois Youth Soccer League (CIYSL)
- Illinois Women's Soccer League
- Illowa
- Southern Illinois Soccer League
- Young Sportsmen's Soccer League

The Club actively supports the following Illinois Youth Soccer programs:

- List number of Club staff coach(es) who participate as ODP staff coaches \_\_\_\_\_
- List number of Club players in IYSA ODP \_\_\_\_\_
- Club posts Illinois Youth Soccer's logo and link on its website free of charge to IYSA
- Other, please explain \_\_\_\_\_

## Coaching Education

Do all of the Club's competitive coaches have the following US Soccer licenses?  Yes  No

**Please submit with this Application a list of all of the Club coaches with each coach's US Soccer license level.**

- All U9-U12 Club coaches have the Grassroots Pathway License or E License
- All U13 and up Club coaches have at least a 'D' License
- All Club Directors of Coaching have at least a 'C' License and have taken the Grassroots Pathway Introduction course.

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## Referee Development

Do all of the referees and assistant referees that the Club provides/assigns have a US Soccer Federation license?  Yes  No

Describe the activities your club uses to support referee development and mentoring.

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## Risk Management

The Club must meet all of the following Illinois Youth Soccer risk management criteria:

### 1. Goal Safety

Are all the goals in the Club's use or possession anchored, surface weighted or secured for the weather conditions according to the goal manufacturer's standards, whether in use or not?

Yes  No

Are all the fields, nets and equipment safe?  Yes  No

### 2. Background Checks

Have all the Club coaches, assistant coaches, administrative staff, board members, referees and affected persons aged 18 or older undergone a national and county background check?

Yes  No

### 3. Concussion Awareness

Have all the Club coaches submitted a certificate showing that they have completed the Center Disease Control (CDC) Heads Up Concussion test?  Yes  No

Are all of the Club coaches using the Illinois Youth Soccer Concussion Notification Form?

Yes  No

Is your Club abiding by the Illinois Youth Soccer U11 Heading Ban?  Yes  No

### 4. Child Abuse Prevention

Has your Club read and complied with the **Protecting Young Victims from Sexual Abuse and Safe Sport Authorization Act of 2017** that was passed on February 14, 2018?  Yes  No

Has your Club read the U.S. Center for SafeSport Fact Sheet?  Yes  No

Has your Club implemented and abided by policies and procedures to prevent child abuse, complied with the reporting requirements of the Act, established reasonable procedures to limit one-on-one interactions between an adult and an amateur athlete who is a minor, offered consistent training to adult members who are in contact with amateur athletes who are minors, and prohibited retaliation.  Yes  No

Have all the adults who are authorized to interact with a minor or amateur athlete who is a minor in your Club successfully completed the US Olympic Committee SafeSport or the AbusePreventionSystems Sexual Abuse Awareness Training and submitted a copy of their Certificate of Completion to your Club and agreed to do so very two (2) years thereafter?  Yes  No

**Parent Education and Sideline Behavior**

To receive recognition, the Club must have a parent behavior program.

Does the Club have a parent behavior program in place (example, distribution of the US Youth Soccer “Positive Parenting for Youth Soccer” DVD to every team)?  Yes  No

Describe what the Club does with regard to Parent Education.

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