



AYSO Region 214 Addendum B to AYSO Standard Policies and Protocols

The guidelines below are the addendum to the AYSO Standard Policies and Protocols for AYSO Region 214. Unless noted below, in the specific article, AYSO Region 214 operates using the AYSO Standard Policies and Protocols.

ADDENDUM 1 – All Star Program Guidelines

AYSO Region 214 participates in the Area 1C All Star Program and abides by all the Rules and Regulations as listed in the Area 1C Combined Rules and Regulations listed on the Area 1C website. Region 214 All Star guidelines for players and parents are posted on the AYSO Region 214 website.

All Star teams are selected after the Area 1C required date by a three step process that is uniform for all divisions and independent from the selection or composition of any tournament team.

A. All-star Player Identification

1. Players are identified through multiple means including a tryout process and player evaluations on various games throughout the fall season, including Turkey Tournament games. However, to be considered for selection to an All Star team, a player **MUST** register as an All Star Applicant.
2. All Star Voting takes place during the End of Season Division Coach Meetings. Only Head Coaches may attend the Division Coach meeting for their Division. A Head Coach who is unable to attend the meeting may give his comments on players to the Division Coach but is unable to vote in the All Star selection process. The purposes of the End of Season Coach meeting are the following:
 - To normalize the player ratings.
 - To vote on the players who applied to the All Star Program.
 - To identify any issues in the Fall Season.
3. During the Normalization of Player Ratings, every single player that played in the Division during the fall season is discussed. Player ratings are adjusted as needed and these ratings, with minor adjustments for All Star and Spring assessments, are the ones used by team formation to form teams the following Fall season.
4. For the All Star Selection Process, each Head Coach in the room is given a ballot listing all the players that have applied to the All Star program, and who have participated in a minimum of 80% of the region games including their playoff games. The Regional Commissioner will take special circumstances into



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consideration if a player is unable to fulfill their 80% game requirement.

5. Additional practice attendance information may be discussed but is not measured. In larger divisions, these ballots may be separated by older and younger to facilitate speedier balloting. Coaches who have coached that player since September of that year (e.g., Fall Season, Turkey Tournament) are then asked to give an assessment of that player for the group of Coaches.

B. All-star Player Selection & Team Formation

1. Coaches elect the top players in each division by secret ballot:
 - a. Top 6 older 10U players who will become part of the Sectional Team.
 - b. Top 6 younger 10U players who will become part of the Area Team.
 - c. Top 9 older 12U players who will become part of the Sectional Team.
 - d. Top 9 younger 12U players who will become part of the Area Team.
 - e. Top 11 14U players who will become part of the Sectional Team.
 - f. Next 11 14U players who will be part of either the Sectional or the Area team.
2. The Division Coach (DC) and Team Formation (TF) tally the coaches' ballots and identify the players as listed in Section 1. In the case of a tie, both players are taken onto the team. In cases where the tie would cause the team size to go beyond the appropriate size, the DC and Team Formation break the tie.
3. The DC, the RCA and Regional Commissioner select and approve the Sectional Team Coach. One of the criteria to determine the coach is whether the player was voted onto the Sectional All Star Team. Additional criteria are discussed in Section 8 below.
4. The Sectional Team Coach chooses an additional number of players, as listed below by division, to round out the team, with a strong preference given to Older Players. The RCA and DC must approve any younger players identified for the Sectional Team. In addition, the Sectional Team Coach must identify a player on the team with one trained parent willing and able to referee at this level of play (the RRA must approve this parent to be capable of performing this level of refereeing), and one trained parent willing and able to perform the duties of team manager.
 - a. Additional 3 or 4 players in 10U.
 - b. Additional 3 players in 12U.
 - c. Additional 3 or 4 players in 14U.
5. The DC, the RCA and RC select and approve the Area Team Coach. One of the criteria to determine the coach is whether the player was voted onto the Area All



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Star Team. Additional criteria are discussed in Section 8 below.

6. Once the Sectional Team Selection is complete, the Area Team Coach chooses an additional number of players to round out the team, and may choose Older or Younger players in the division, taking into account the Area 1C rules governing the age composition of the team. In addition, the Area Team Coach must identify a player on the team with one trained parent willing and able to referee at this level of play (the RRA must approve this parent to be capable of performing this level of refereeing), and one trained parent willing and able to perform the duties of team manager. This process must be completed in 24 hours.

- a. Additional 3 or 4 players in 10U.
- b. Additional 3 players in 12U.
- c. Additional 3 players in 14U.

When rounding out teams, the All Star applicants should be assessed in terms of position, versatility, speed and other factors. The process recognizes that the best players in the division may not necessarily make the best team. Rather, the team should focus on having a blend of forwards, midfielders, defenders, goalkeepers and utility players. A player who has not applied to the All Star program cannot be assigned to a Sectional or an Area team if other players have applied.

7. The Division Coach and Team Formation will review the remaining All Star applicants and develop balanced teams according to Area 1C guidelines and the criteria below. The Region believes that as many players as possible should play on regional teams as long as there are appropriate volunteers to support these teams. Regional teams are limited in that each regional team must have a player on the team whose parents can perform the duties of the following positions:

- a. Team Coach – must hold age appropriate coaching certification for their age division and regional referee certification. It is highly recommended that coaches hold the next certification level (e.g., U12 if coaching a 10U All Star team)
- b. Team Head Referee – must be approved by the RRA as capable of centering a game in the age division of their player (e.g., if they have a 12UG player, they must be able to center a 12UB or 12UG game)
- c. Team Assistant Referee (s) - must be approved by the RRA as capable of assistant refereeing a game in the age division of their player (e.g., if they have a 12UG player, they must be able to center a 12UB or 12UG game). It is strongly encouraged that Team Assistant Referees are also able to center and preference may be given to those who can center.
- d. Team Manager – must be a trained team manager and willing and able to perform the significant duties entailed with All Star Team Management.



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8. The RCA, the DC and the RC select the All Star team coaches. This selection is based on information and observations provided by the DC, and on the knowledge, experience and observations of the RCA, RC and DC. In the selection of All Star Coaches, the region puts a great value on Positive Coaching, Sportsmanship and Character demonstrated by coach candidates while recognizing that coaching experience and knowledge of the game are factors critical to the team's success and the players' experience. The factors below are considered:

- a. Coaches in the Region, preferable in the Division or with a significant knowledge of the players.
- b. Exemplify the AYSO philosophy of positive coaching.
- c. Exhibit the AYSO philosophy of Good Sportsmanship regardless of the outcome of the game.
- d. Shows significant knowledge of the game, as evidenced by Coaching Certification, Coaching History, and Playing Experience.
- e. Demonstrates strong coaching ability in practice and game situations.
- f. Contributes successfully to post-season or tournament play.
- g. Respected by peer coaches.
- h. Endorsed by parents as evidenced by positive parent response.

C. Final All-star Placement on a Team

1. All Star Team Player Notification is performed on a cascading basis as Sectional Team coaches, then Area team coaches, and then Regional team coaches confirm their players. If a player is unable or unwilling to play, Team Formation will identify additional players to be placed on that team.
2. Players selected to the All Star program are required to pay the All Star Fee as set by the Board of Directors. The All Star program should be self-funded and leaves fewer opportunities for scholarships.
3. All Star rosters will be created in the AYSO system of record and are final as of the date on the Area 1C Combined Rules and Regulations.

ADDENDUM 2 – Spring Cup Program Guidelines

AYSO Region 214 participates in the Area 1C Spring Cup Program and abides by all the Rules and Regulations as listed in the Area 1C Combined Rules and Regulations listed on the Area 1C website. Region 214 Spring Cup guidelines for players and parents are posted on the AYSO Region 214 website.



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A. Spring Cup Player Identification

1. Players apply on the AYSO Region 214 website. There are no tryouts for Spring Cup, but players should be a minimum of All Star Regional team caliber. Given that Spring Cup is a primary season program, players new to AYSO or to AYSO Region 214 may be accepted into the Spring Cup program.
2. Coaches and players must apply by submitting an application through the AYSO 214 website.

B. Spring Cup Player Selection & Team Formation

1. Region 214 wishes to create as many teams as possible in the Spring Cup program and will recruit additional volunteers to accomplish this goal. Each Spring Cup team must have the following:
 - a. Team Coach – must hold age appropriate coaching certification for their age division and regional referee certification.
 - b. Team Head Referee – must be approved by the RRA as capable of centering a game in the age division of their player (e.g., if they have a 12UG player, they must be able to center a 12UB or 12UG game)
 - c. Team Assistant Referee (s)- - must be approved by the RRA as capable of assistant refereeing a game in the age division of their player (e.g., if they have a 12UG player, they must be able to center a 12UB or 12UG game). It is strongly encouraged that Team Assistant Referees are also able to center and preference may be given to those who can center.
 - d. Team Manager – must be a trained team manager and willing and able to perform the significant duties entailed with Spring Cup Team Management.
2. The Division Coach and Team Formation will review the list of applicants to form and approve Spring Cup teams. An entire team may apply as a Spring Cup team, as long as it provides the additional requirements above.

C. Final Spring Cup Placement on a Team

1. Players selected to the Spring Cup program are required to pay the Spring Cup Fee as set by the Board of Directors. The Spring Cup program should be self-funded and leaves fewer opportunities for scholarships.
2. Spring Cup rosters will be created in the AYSO system of record and are final as of the date on the Area 1C Combined Rules and Regulations.



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ADDENDUM 3 – VIP Program Guidelines

AYSO Region 214 strongly supports its VIP program and all players are accepted into the VIP program.

All players in the VIP program receive full scholarships.

All parents of VIP Players are strongly encouraged to register as volunteers and take:

1. AYSO Safe Haven
2. CDC Concussion Awareness Training.

ADDENDUM 4 – EXTRA Program Guidelines

AYSO Region 214 participates in the Section 1 West EXTRA Program and abides by all the rules and regulations for the EXTRA program as described on the Section 1 website. Region 214 EXTRA guidelines for players and parents are posted on the AYSO Region 214 website.

A. EXTRA Player Identification

1. Players apply on the AYSO Region 214 website.
2. Players are initially identified through a try out process. EXTRA tryouts are held after January 1 and teams are finalized by August 1. A minimum of two tryouts will be held in each Division. All players must attend a minimum of one tryout in order to be eligible for the team.
3. All EXTRA players must apply as regular season players and participate in the Region's Regular Registration process. All players not placed on an EXTRA team will be offered a spot on a regular season fall team.
4. Participation in the previous year's EXTRA program does not guarantee placement the following season's EXTRA team.

B. EXTRA Player Selection & Team Formation

1. The final Player Evaluation Committee will consist of the Team Formation lead, and EXTRA Coordinator, assuming that neither of these has a conflict of



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interest. An additional person will be named if there is a conflict of interest.

2. A team will be selected based on the following:
 - a. The balance of players' strength and their positions
 - b. The team's ability to gel as a team
 - c. The player's commitment to the AYSO EXTRA team
 - d. The player's coachability.
3. Tryouts will be posted on the Region 214 website. Tryouts may be managed by entities outside the region. During the tryouts, AYSO Advanced Coaches or above will evaluate the players in the division.
 - a. All players must be currently registered players in AYSO Region 214. Players who are not must pay for AYSO Accident Insurance for the day.
 - b. Parents of players must remain off of the field during player evaluations.

C. Final EXTRA Placement on a Team

1. Although an EXTRA team may be finalized, they are not designated an EXTRA team until August 1. In the spring, teams may participate in Tournaments but are not considered an EXTRA team and are not limited to the EXTRA players chosen for the EXTRA team. Practices may be open to a broader set of players.
2. After August 1, practices are limited to the individuals participating on the EXTRA team.

D. Coach Selection

1. Coaches must apply by submitting an application through the AYSO 214 website. Preference may be given to coaches who do not have a child on the team, but coaches may coach their own child. The Regional Coach Administrator, the EXTRA Coordinator and the Regional Commissioner determine coach selection. Many criteria will be evaluated during the Coach selection process including but not limited to:
 - a. Follow all the rules and regulations of Region 214, Area 1C, Section 1 and National AYSO Policies.
 - b. Willingness to contribute to the long-term success of the AYSO Region 214 EXTRA and Regular Season Programs.
 - c. Exemplify the AYSO philosophy of Positive Coaching.
 - d. Exhibit the AYSO philosophy of Good Sportsmanship regardless of the outcome of the game.
 - e. Shows significant knowledge of the game, as evidenced by Coaching Certification, Coaching History, and Playing Experience.



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- f. Demonstrates strong coaching ability in practice and game situations.
- g. Respected by peer coaches.
- h. Endorsed by parents as evidenced by positive parent response.

2. EXTRA Coaches are reevaluated every year for their Coaching Position. Coaching in a previous season, does not guarantee participation in a future season.

E. EXTRA Program Self-Sustainability

1. It is critical that the EXTRA Program is self-supporting and enhances the Regular Season Region 214 Programs. EXTRA Play also means EXTRA Volunteer Commitment.
2. To accomplish this, each team must have the following volunteer positions on the team:
 - a. Team Coach – must hold one level above the age appropriate coaching certification for their age division and regional referee certification.
 - b. Team Center Referees (2) – Two referees must hold a certification appropriate to their age group and be actively working towards the next certification. (e.g., a 12UB team should have 2 Intermediate referees who are actively working towards their Advanced badge).
 - c. Team Assistant Referee – the third referee may hold a certification level below the two Team Center Referees but must be actively looking to advance their badge level.
 - d. Team Manager – must be a trained team manager and willing and able to perform the significant duties entailed with EXTRA Team Management.
 - e. Team Tournament Manager – must be a trained team manager who will assist with placing the team in tournaments.
3. In addition, every other family on the team must contribute to Region 214 at a significant leadership level. Examples of significant leadership include:
 - a. Taking on a leadership role in the AYSO Section 1 West EXTRA Circuit.
 - b. Performing Board Member duties in AYSO Region 214.
 - c. Coaching a sibling on a regular season AYSO Region 214 team.
 - d. Refereeing a minimum of 20 games during the AYSO Region 214 Regular and All Star seasons.
 - e. Taking on significant roles in the AYSO Region 214 leadership (e.g., running AYSO Region 214 Picture Day, Opening Day or Volunteer Party, running the AYSO Area 1C Playoff Tournament for Region 214, etc...).



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4. The AYSO Region 214 EXTRA Coordinator will approve each family's EXTRA program volunteer contribution PRIOR to the player being placed on a team. A family that does not perform its EXTRA program volunteer participation is placing their child's placement on the EXTRA team at risk.

ADDENDUM 6 – Thanksgiving Tournament Guidelines

AYSO Region 214 participates in two specific tournaments over the Thanksgiving weekend if they are available. All 10U Core teams are registered in the Arroyo Seco Cup Tournament located in South Pasadena. All 10U EXTRA teams, 12U, and 14U teams are registered for the Myles Standish Tournament held in Pasadena. Any tournament team interested in attending a different Thanksgiving weekend must apply and be approved by a Regional Board vote.

A. Thanksgiving Player Identification

1. Players of any skills registered in any fall program are allowed to register for a Thanksgiving Tournament Team.

B. Thanksgiving Player Selection & Team Formation

1. For the Arroyo Seco Cup, Region 214 wishes to create as many 10U teams as possible.

a. The Arroyo Seco Cup Tournament Committee will create balanced teams of players using fall ratings.

b. Teams must have the minimum required volunteer positions including: a certified Head Coach, two qualified Referees, and a registered Team Manager.

c. All volunteers must be in good standing with the Region.

2. For the Myles Standish Tournament, Region 214 wishes to create competitive 12U and 14U teams.

a. Any Region 214 EXTRA teams will enroll in this tournament. They may add up to 3 guest Core season players to round out their squad.

b. The Tournament Director will conduct a draft for 12U and 14U competitive Core Teams in the case that more than one team is interested in attending.

i. The first team gets the first 4 picks, the second team gets the next three picks.

ii. The rest of the team is formed by alternating one to one player selections.



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c. Teams must have the minimum required volunteer positions including: a certified Head Coach, two qualified Referees, and a registered Team Manager.

C. Final Thanksgiving Placement on a Team

1. Players selected to a Thanksgiving Tournament Team are required to pay the Tournament Fees as set by the Board of Directors. The Thanksgiving Tournament Teams should be self-funded and leaves fewer opportunities for scholarships.
2. Thanksgiving Team rosters will be created in the AYSO system of record and are final as of the date on the Rules and Regulations of the particular Thanksgiving Tournament.

ADDENDUM 6 – 19U Policy and Guidelines

A. Extending the Upper Division to Include 19U

Effective for the member year 2017, Section 1 Executive Members voted to allow the playing age to be raised from 18 years and under to 19 years and under including those born in 1999. The effective date of age determination shall be the calendar year or the registrant's age as of December 31, 2018. Individuals who shall reach 19 years of age will be allowed to participate provided that the region has submitted and subsequently had approved a policies and protocols amendment as noted in the AYSO national rules and regulations section 3 B.