



What's New for Fall 2020

Welcome to WRSA and the Fall 2020 season! We are looking forward to another great season at Stryker Sports Complex. The following provides information that is new, changed from last season or links to how to find information on the Stryker website, www.strykersportscomplex.com.

Fall 2020 office hours during registration will remain the same, with other times available by appointment. You will find us at the Stryker Complex, 2999 N Greenwich, in the Indoor Building. We move into Meeting Room #1 and #2 through the registration deadlines.

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 11:00 am – 6:00 pm
Monday and Friday by appointment

Remember during registration, email is the quickest way to reach us as it is difficult to answer phones while meeting with teams. Please leave a message and we will return voice mails promptly. Make sure to leave your name, team name and brief message.

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Key dates and deadlines:

Friday, June 19 th	Fall 2020 registration opens & tryouts may begin
Friday, July 3 rd	Tryout period ends
Tuesday, July 14 th	U11 through U19 team registration – Week earlier!
Monday, July 20 th	U19 and U15 Division Placement Meeting
Tuesday, July 21 st	U14 and U13 Division Placement Meeting
Wednesday, July 22 nd	U12 and U11 Division Placement Meeting
Tuesday, July 28 th	U5 through U10 team registration
Thursday, July 30 th	U9 and U10 Division Placement Meeting
Wednesday, August 5 th	Coaches meeting – U11-U19 – Stryker Indoor
Thursday, August 6 th	Coaches meetings – U5-U10 – Stryker Indoor
August 16-17-18	Opening weekend of WRSA league
August 21-22-23	Stryker Cup tournament
Sept 25-26-27	Stryker Wichita Open tournament
October 30-31 Nov 1	WRSA last weekend of league
Nov 6-7-8	Stryker Wichita Finale tournament

Changes from Spring 2020 season:

1. Fall 2020 fees for WRSA and KSYSA:

- **WRSA Fall team fees** – With the Covid impact, each team received a statement documenting the credit given for Fall 2020 based on the number of games played Spring 2020. Each team and/or club responded with their chosen option. This option will be applied at registration. If you have any questions, please stop at the WRSA office before your team's deadline. New teams will pay the normal team fees listed at the Stryker website – Coaches – Team Application.
- **KSYSA player and coach fees:** Annual fees are required for each player and coach at the first registration of the seasonal year.
 - \$14.25 competitive primary player
 - \$8.25 recreational player
 - \$5.00 secondary player per secondary team
 - \$5.00 competitive coach (per coach, not team) – Rec coaches and all managers not required

2. Division placement procedural changes for Fall 2020.

After registration deadlines, WRSA staff will host a seeding meeting for each age group.

- Each team is allowed **only** one representative to be present at the meeting.
- Head coach will be required to RSVP prior to the meeting.
- The representative must be head coach or club manager. If not available, head coach must provide written permission for another representative.
- Please check out our updated division placement policy by clicking here:
<https://strykersportscomplex.com/policies-procedures/>

3. Safe Sport Certification

- The U.S. Center for SafeSport is a non-profit organization focused on ending all forms of abuse in sport. They endeavor to make athlete well-being the centerpiece of the nation's sports culture through abuse prevention, education, and accountability.
- USYSA is requiring all youth coaches to complete the Safe Sport Certification. This is required to be completed before you are eligible to be on the sideline and receive your coach's card for the upcoming season.
- **This applies to anyone that wishes to be on the sideline during a game.**
- Log in to your Got Soccer account to determine if you need to complete this training. If you need your login information, contact WRSA office via email and will be emailed to you.

4. New liability waiver and annual code of conduct required for each coach & player for Fall 2020-Spring 2021 season.

- **Waiver:** The liability waiver is NOT the medical release. Parent or guardian will complete on behalf of the minor child(ren). Each of the coaches and managers are required to complete an individual waiver. The online waiver is found at the Stryker website – Coaches & Parents pages. Best practice is to send the following links to the parents to be completed online at time of registration or have a computer available at practices to complete onsite. Stryker Indoor building has a kiosk available to complete the waiver on-site.
- **Code of Conduct:** Annually, a new code of conduct is required to be signed by the head coach. While the head coach is ultimately responsible for all parents, players and sideline spectators, it is recommended parents and players complete either individually online or as a team meeting.
- **Links:** Waiver - <https://strykersportscomplex.com/coaches/coach-player-waiver/>
Code of Conduct – Coaches – <https://strykersportscomplex.com/coaches/code-of-conduct/>
Code of Conduct – Parents - <https://strykersportscomplex.com/parents/parent-code-of-conduct/>

5. Pictures of all players have been deleted in Got Soccer to ensure current photos.

Reminder to take new pictures of the current and new players to upload into Got Soccer. Team officials are encouraged to update their pictures if not current within the past 2 years.

6. Certificate of Insurance required for all practice locations

KSYSA and USYSA requires a certificate of insurance (COI) on all practice locations. There is no charge for this coverage and remains valid for the entire seasonal year (8/1-7/31). WRSA completes the COI for any teams practicing and playing at Stryker Sports Complex. Any other practice locations require their own COI. To receive this coverage, email wrsaoffice@strykersportscomplex.com with the following information:

- Team name, as shown on your team official roster, no abbreviations
- Team contact for COI, including full name, phone, and email address (COI sent to this address)
- Name of practice facility
- Full street address (no PO Box), city and zip code of practice facility

Reminders or General Information:

1. Team playing in Heartland or attending a Summer tournament prior to August 6th?

Alert the WRSA office ASAP or at registration to ensure official rosters are completed prior to required deadlines. Teams need to submit all documentation prior to the deadline to ensure adequate preparation time. Player cards and official team rosters will be distributed at the 8/8 coach's meeting.

2. Reschedule procedures remain in effect.

WRSA implemented a reschedule fee of \$25/game, paid by the initiating team. Fee required to be submitted prior to the reschedule request approved. The online reschedule request must be completed by both teams to be approved; and must be submitted 10 days prior to originally scheduled game, or date you are requesting to play, whichever is sooner. We will implement an online payment method to assist in timely payments. See Reschedule Procedure at the Stryker website – Policies & Procedures (scroll to bottom of any page).

3. Risk management required for all coaches and team officials if to be on the sideline.

KSYSA sends reminders 30 days in advance of expiring background checks so do not delay. Closer to the Fall deadlines, the longer it can take due to the sheer volume of coaches through the state. Recommended to have anyone working with the youth soccer players to receive a background check. The cost is \$20 for 2 years and then they are allowed on the sideline. To get started, go to the Stryker website – Coaches – New Team Official to enter one or multiple coaches. <https://strykersportscomplex.com/coaches/team-official/>

4. Guest Player forms and permission required

Any guest player is required to have the guest player permit completed through the KSYSA website – Admin – Guest Player prior to game time. The permit is required to be submitted check-in with the original player card. Record the guest players name on the line-up card with “G” next to their name. Primary team coach’s permission is documented by sharing that team’s player card. Please record the Primary coach’s email on the guest player permit to alert them the process has been completed.

5. Coach licensing through the KSYSA Grassroots Pathway Courses.

The KSYSA Grassroots Pathway courses are available to all coaches but only required for those who coach at State Cup tournaments. Coaches are strongly encouraged to use the Pathway to strengthen their coaching skills at all levels. Pathway courses are offered throughout the State and twice a year in Wichita. Review the course offerings at KSYSA website, www.kansasyouthsoccer.com – Coaches – Courses. Link to the free Introductory session and registration for the 7v7, 9v9 and 11v11 courses Digital Coaching Center.

6. Teams are encouraged to enter player documents into Got Soccer for league & tournaments.

One-time entry into Got Soccer for players of birth certificate and medical releases eliminates paper documents at tournaments, allows quick online check-in and provides more security of sensitive documents. All documents are encrypted to protect personal information. Go to Got Soccer – click on player profile – Documents – add document. Make sure to name each document (i.e. Birth Certificate or Medical release) when downloading.