



## What's New for Fall 2021

Welcome to WRSA and the Fall 2021 season! We look 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](http://www.strykersportscomplex.com). Fall 2021 office hours during registration are the same. We are at the Indoor building of Stryker Complex, 2999 N Greenwich. We move to Meeting Room #1 and #2 for registration.

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 with name, team and brief message and we will return voice mails promptly.

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### Key dates and deadlines:

Tuesday, June 8 <sup>th</sup>	Fall 2021 registration opens & tryouts may begin
Friday, July 16 <sup>th</sup>	Tryout period ends
Thursday, July 8 <sup>th</sup>	U11 through U19 team registration
Monday, July 12 <sup>th</sup>	U19 and U15 Division Placement Meeting
Tuesday, July 13 <sup>th</sup>	U14 and U13 Division Placement Meeting
Wednesday, July 14 <sup>th</sup>	U12 and U11 Division Placement Meeting
Thursday, July 15 <sup>th</sup>	U5 through U10 team registration
Thursday, July 19-20 <sup>th</sup>	U9 and U10 Division Placement Meeting
Wednesday, August 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Coaches meeting – U11-U19 – Stryker Indoor
Thursday, August 4 <sup>th</sup>	Coaches meetings – U5-U10 – Stryker Indoor
August 13-14-15	Opening weekend of WRSA league
August 20-21-22	Stryker Fall Opener tournament
Sept 26-27-26	Stryker Wichita Open tournament
October 29-30-31	WRSA last weekend of league
Nov 5-6-7	Stryker Wichita Finale tournament

### Updates from Fall 2020 - Spring 2021 season:

#### 1. Safe Sport Certification – Annual renewal & Refresher courses

- The U.S. Center for SafeSport is a non-profit organization focused on ending all forms of abuse in sport. They strive to make athlete well-being the centerpiece of the nation's sports culture through abuse prevention, education, and accountability.
- USYSA requires all youth coaches to complete the Safe Sport Certification. Required to be completed before you are eligible to be on the sideline and receive your coach's card for the upcoming season.
  - Coaches from Fall 2020: Refresher course only needed, 30-minute completion time – will see in your Got Soccer Safe Sport tab. If not showing, not yet required. KSYSYA will send reminders.
  - New coaches: Initial certification required with 2-hour completion time.
  - Able to complete the initial certification in segments.
  - Make sure using the same name for both the Got Soccer account and Safe Sport certification or will not link to your Got Soccer profile.
  - Once complete, send an email of the Safe Sport certification to WRSA office contact. This can be linked as needed.
- Log in to your Got Soccer account to complete this training (initial or refresher). If you need your login information, contact WRSA office via email and will be sent to you.
- **This applies to anyone that wishes to be on the sideline during a game, not just coaches.**
- **WRSA is unable to generate the team roster and player cards without head coach certification.**

## 2. Guest Player forms and permission required

- Fall 2021 change to the Guest player policy is players are not limited on the number of times they play for one team within the season but may not guest play for any other team within the same subdivision. Previous limited a player to no more than 2 guest plays with any team.
- Guest player is required to have the permit completed through the KSYSA website – Resources – Guest Player prior to game time to be insured. The permit must be submitted at 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. Guest player procedures are found at the Stryker website – Coaches – Guest Player How-to.

## 3. Annual code of conduct required for each coach & player for Fall 2021-Spring 2022 season. Waivers are needed for all new players and team officials.

- **Waiver:** The liability waiver is NOT the medical release. Parent or guardian will complete on behalf of the minor child(ren). Each coach and manager is required to complete an individual waiver. Find the online waiver at Stryker website – Coaches & Parents pages. Recommend to send the links below to parents to complete online at 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/>

## 4. Want WRSA to laminate your coach and player cards for you?

WRSA office staff will laminate your team’s coach and player cards for a \$25.00 fee. The fee will be added to your registration fees if you choose to have WRSA laminate. Let us know at registration and your cards will be laminated and added to a ring to be ready for the coach’s meeting. All cards are to be laminated before the first league game per KSYSA.

### Reminders or General Seasonal Information:

#### 1. Fall 2021 fees for WRSA and KSYSA remained unchanged from last seasonal year:

**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 managers not required

#### 2. Division placement for Fall 2021 U9 through U19 teams held week after team deadlines.

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/>
- Recreational teams (U5-U8) are placed by WRSA after initial division requests by the team. No placement meetings are held.

#### 3. Team playing in Heartland or attending summer tournament prior to August 3<sup>rd</sup>?

Alert the WRSA office ASAP or at registration check-in 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 8/3 coach’s meeting.

**4. Reschedule procedures remain in effect.**

WRSA implemented a reschedule fee of \$25/game, paid by the initiating team. Fee required to be submitted online 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. See Reschedule Procedure at the Stryker website – Policies & Procedures (scroll to bottom of any page). Emails or phone calls requesting a reschedule will not be honored

**5. Certificate of Insurance required for all practice locations**

KSUSA and USUSA 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](mailto: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
- Can not be a personal residence, must be a business or organization.

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

KSUSA 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. Required anyone, including managers, working with the youth soccer players must 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/>

**7. Coach licensing through the KSUSA Grassroots Pathway Courses.**

The KSUSA 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 KSUSA website, [www.kansasyouthsoccer.com](http://www.kansasyouthsoccer.com) – Coaches – Courses. Link to the free Introductory session and registration for the 7v7, 9v9 and 11v11 courses Digital Coaching Center.

**8. 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.