

# BASC Rec Select Team - OPL Basics

## (Competitive Oklahoma Premier League)

Will I be considered a competitive team if I play in the OPL league?

- No, you will be a Recreational Select team affiliated with BASC, but playing in a competitive league instead of a recreational league. Your recreational “team” rules will apply and your team will abide by the competitive “league” rules.

Can I hold tryouts for my rec select team?

- No, recreational teams may not hold tryouts. It is considered illegal. Here are rules about recreational team recruitment: <https://bascok.demosphere-secure.com/files/coaches/coaches-corner/Recreational%20Team%20Recruiting%20Policy.pdf>

Where will teams play their games in the OPL league?

- All home games will be played at ISSC. Away games will be played at the home complex of the competing team, which will be determined by the clubs who enter into the OPL league. Traveling will always be involved for teams playing in the OPL league.

Who is responsible for paying referee fees for OPL games?

- BASC will pay for all originally scheduled BASC Rec Select team games in the OPL league, just like any other league game. If coaches work out of policy to reschedule a game that BASC has already paid referee’s, the rescheduling coach will be responsible for the out of policy rescheduled game ref fees.

Can a coach add more players to their Rec Select roster throughout the season?

- Yes, as long as the number of players added does not exceed the roster limits. To know what your limits are, click here: <http://bascok.com/programs/recreational>

Can a coach add a Secondary player or CP player to their team during the season?

- Recreational Team Formation policies still stand as a recreational team, so yes, you may add a Secondary Player or CP player to your recreational team as long as the player you want to add plays for Broken Arrow Soccer Club and the Secondary & CPP policies apply. Here are the rules for adding Secondary & CP Players: <http://bascok.com/programs/player-development-cpp-secondary-guest>

Can a BASC recreational coach add a Secondary player or CP player to their team from another recreational club?

- No, OSA rules do not allow for this.

Can a BASC player be added as a CP Player to another recreational or competitive club?

- No, OSA rules do not allow for this.

Can a BASC player guest play for a competitive team during a competitive tournament?

- Yes, OSA rules allow for this.

Will Rec Select teams playing in the OPL league be able to enter the Recreational State Tournament? Or other rec tournaments?

- OSA tournament rules do not allow for playing in the state tournament. Please check tournament rules for each tournament.

Will Rec Select teams playing in the OPL league be able to enter the Competitive Presidents Cup Tournament?

- Yes, any recreational team who wishes to enter this tournament is allowed.

If my team wins the bracket in the Presidents Cup tournament, will Rec Select teams be able to attend the Regional tournament?

- Yes, your recreational team will be able to enter and compete in the Regional competitive tournament. Also, according to the BASC Standing Resolutions, The BASC Executive Board may approve funding of up to \$500 per team for any BASC team representing the BASC in a USYSA regional competition.

# RECREATIONAL TEAM RECRUITING POLICY

BASC Standing Resolutions regarding recruiting players can be found [HERE](#) or read below.

## **SECTION III: RECREATIONAL TEAM FORMATION**

### **7. Recruitment**

- a. Recruitment, or recruiting, is defined as any action initiated by a “Team Official” (coach, assistant coach, team manager, trainer or person representing a team or Club) who seeks to enlist the services of a player.
- b. Illegal recruitment is defined as the employment of any prohibited practice by a Team Official. These prohibited practices includes:
  - i. Offering any inducement of material or monetary value to a player or player’s family.
  - ii. Initiating contact with or interfering with any player or player’s family currently registered with and affiliated with an existing team following the expiration of the normal registration period for the upcoming season and subsequently at any time during the active season.
  - iii. Allowing or promoting the use of a competitive Club logo or name by teams other than properly registered competitive Club teams. This includes coaches who represent themselves as Academy/Junior Development coaches when not listed by the club as such.
- c. Illegal recruitment does not include the following permitted practices:
  - i. Contact with a player or player’s parents or legal guardians during the offseason when no sanctioned league or tournament games are being played.
  - ii. Contact with a player for the limited purpose of participating as a guest player for any USYS sanctioned tournament with prior notice to the player’s coach.
  - iii. Contact initiated by the player, player’s parents or legal guardians.
  - iv. Advertising or public relations of a general, indirect nature.
  - v. Non-sanctioned soccer activities, including indoor soccer teams or formation and coaching of special tournament teams (i.e., 3v3, etc.).
  - vi. Club sponsored soccer training sessions, open to players without geographic restriction, provided that a copy of the clinic particulars shall be delivered to the BASC office at least five days prior to the event.
- d. Illegal recruitment or the employment of any prohibited practice may result in a Team Official being suspended from all BASC soccer activities for a period as determined by the BASC Games and Disciplinary Committee or Commission if so authorized. Complainant will file a complaint with BASC, who shall render a decision. Either party may appeal that decision.
- e. Any decision of the BASC Games and Disciplinary Committee or Appeals Committee shall be in writing.

# OKLAHOMA SOCCER ASSOCIATION COMPETITIVE POLICIES

The Following are excerpts from the OSA Competitive League Policies, approved by the OCC.

The complete set of rules can be found here:

<https://usys-assets.ae-admin.com/assets/978/15/OSA%20COMPETITIVE%20POLICIES%202.2018.pdf>

## **Section B - Oklahoma Soccer Association Competitive Leagues**

### **3.0 League Structure and Seasonal Formation**

**A. League Structure** – All Competitive League divisions goal is to be age pure leagues, but will ultimately be determined by the LOC based on team applications.

1. 11U League – All 11U teams wishing to play in the Competitive Leagues will apply. OPL will offer U11 Divisions in the 9 v 9 format. Upon receipt of all applications, it will be determined by the LOC in review of the division standings which division the team will be accepted to.

2. 11U through U19 Divisions – The Competitive League will consist of a Fall and Spring season, teams will be required to apply by the application deadline for each season. Divisions will be OPL Super – 5 teams, OPL 1 – 9 teams, OPL 2 and OPL 3 if the age group has enough teams to form (typically with 9 teams in each division). The Top and bottom two teams in each division will be subject to Promotion/Relegation based on final season standings.

3. The LOC reserves the right to make other decisions as circumstances require adjusting the League structure to ensure meeting the mission of the Competitive League. Specifically, the LOC reserves the right to approve or deny a team’s specific placement requests.

a. In OPL Super and OPL 1 Divisions - The LOC will place teams into divisions each season as soon as practical after the deadline for forms and fees. Note: No team will be included in the league or scheduled until the payment of all applicable league fees and bonds. If collect by the League, Referee fees must be paid before the due date dateline, a \$50.00 fee will be accessed after the dateline and must be paid before the start of play or the team will forfeit their bond. These divisions will be posted to the OSA Competitive League web page.

b. In OPL 2 and OPL 3 Divisions - The LOC will place teams into divisions each season as soon as practical after the registration deadline. Teams must register to the league in Gotsoccer to be included in the schedule. There is no registration fee in OPL 2 and 3 Divisions.

1. Any request for review of a team’s placement or omission from the Competitive Leagues must be received in the Tulsa OSA office in accordance with the procedures set forth in Part I (F) “Request for Appeal.”

2. In cases where the LOC is not able to fill an OPL division by using promotion and relegation (Part III below), the LOC will:

a. Promote the relegated teams in order of finish from the previous season (highest to lowest) until the division is filled or all relegated teams have been invited to participate.

b. Promote such other teams, as the LOC deems appropriate.

c. Leave the division at less than 5 or 9 teams as identified in their level above.

## 7.0 Rules of Play

A. The OPL will be played using FIFA Rules as modified by US Youth Soccer Policy on Players and Playing Rules. These rules shall govern this league with the following exceptions and clarifications: Note: OSA reserves the right to modify the application of any USYS Policies.

### 1. Length of Match and Ball Size

- a. U11 – U12 30 min halves Size 4
- b. U13 – U14 35 min halves Size 5
- c. U15 – U16 40 min halves Size 5
- d. U17 – U19 45 min halves Size 5

### 2. Substitutions

- a. U11 – U12 matches: Unlimited substitutions will be allowed at any stoppage of play. Players must be ready to enter the field of play and at the midfield line when the substitutions opportunity arises, with the exception of goals, issuance of yellow or red cards, and injuries.
- b. U13 – U14 matches and U15-19 OPL 1 Division and lower matches:
  - 1. Unlimited substitutions may be taken at the following times:
    - (a) Prior to a throw-in by the team in possession.
    - (b) Prior to a goal kick by either team.
    - (c) Following a goal by either team.
    - (d) After an injury by either team, if the injured player is substituted.
    - (e) After a caution is issued for the cautioned player only.
    - (f) At half time.
- c. OPL Super Division for Under 15 – Under 19 teams
  - 1. Teams will have limited substitution:
    - (a) No re-entry of a substituted player in the same half of the game.
    - (b) Substitutions will be taken as noted in (a) – (f) under 2b.1) above.

### 3. Uniforms

- a. Each player shall have a number on the player's jersey including the goalkeeper. The number shall be affixed to the back of the jersey and shall be clearly visible. Each player on a team must wear a number different from the number of every other player on the team. The official team roster shall include the number of each player's jersey.
- b. All players are required to wear shin guards that provide adequate protection.
- c. Goalkeepers must wear colors that distinguish them from other players, including the opposing goalkeeper.
- d. Uniforms may not have insignia/patches/logos from non-USYS Soccer Association on any part of their uniform and will not be allowed to participate until removed or permanently covered. Sponsorship logos/patches/insignia are allowed.