

## FAQ'S FOR NEW TASL TEAMS FOR FALL OR SPRING SEASONS

### TEAM MANAGEMENT QUESTIONS:

#### How old does a player have to be to play in TASL?

A player must be at least 18 years old by August 1<sup>st</sup> of the FIFA playing year to participate in the fall or spring season.

#### What are the age limit guidelines for the other playing divisions?

To participate in the **fall season**:

Men's Over 30 players must turn 30 years of age by December 31<sup>st</sup>.

Men's Over 40 players must turn 40 years of age by December 31<sup>st</sup>.

Men's Over 50 players must turn 50 years of age by December 31<sup>st</sup>.

To participate in the **spring season**:

Men's Over 30 players must turn 30 years of age by July 31<sup>st</sup>.

Men's Over 40 players must turn 40 years of age by July 31<sup>st</sup>.

Men's Over 50 players must turn 50 years of age by July 31<sup>st</sup>.

#### Can a female play on a Men's team?

Yes, a female can play in the Men's Open division.

#### Can a player participate on more than one team?

Yes, a player can play on as many teams as they want. There is a multi-roster NCASA player fee of \$10 for each additional team.

#### Can a player transfer from one team to another?

Yes. The Team Captain must notify the TASL office that a player will be transferring to their team. If a player has not paid their dues to the releasing team, the transfer will be denied.

#### How many players are typically rostered to a team?

On Average:

Men's A: 32 players

Men's B and C: 25 players

Men's Over 30: 27 players

Men's Over 40: 24 players

Men's Over 50: 23 players

Women's: 24 players

Coed: 22 players

#### How many females do most Coed teams have on roster?

Six to seven on average.

#### If my team needs additional players, how do I find them, and add them to the team?

A list of available "Pool Players" can be accessed by the Team Captain through the Team Management system.

1. Please contact the pool player first and make sure they are committed before you add them to your team.

2. If you decide to add them to your roster – go to the pool list, click on the player and click "Add to team". This will remove them from the player pool.

3. Do NOT ask them to go in and re-register for your team as it may affect the player fee.

#### How do you know which playing division to choose?

The "A" level division is the highest level of competition considered competitive. Generally players at this level have played at the club classic (travel) team level, in college or at professional or semi-pro levels.

The "B" level is considered an advanced intermediate level generally for players that are fit, have previous soccer playing experience and desire to be competitive and improve their soccer skills and game.

The "C" level is considered an intermediate level for experienced soccer players. This is the most popular coed level.

The "D" level is a recreational level of soccer for beginners and soccer players that play just for the fun and to get exercise.

#### Does TASL provide player jerseys?

No. Teams are responsible for getting their own jerseys. Player numbers are required on the jersey. In addition to the primary team jersey, it is recommended that each team have a standard white jersey or penneys in case of jersey color conflict.

### TEAM FINANCIAL QUESTIONS:

#### How much should I charge each player?

Team Fee

+ Referee Fees for 10 games

+ Performance Bond

= TOTAL Team FEES

Divided by the # of players on roster

Note: The per player fee varies based on the number of players on a team roster.

### **What is the Performance Bond used for?**

The Performance Bond is kept on file in the TASL office and will be used to pay the referee crew if your team does not show up for a scheduled match. If your team forfeits, the bond must be replaced before the next game can be played. The Bond may also be used to pay any outstanding team or player fees.

### **Does TASL return the Performance Bond at the end of the season if it is not used?**

No. The check will be destroyed unless the team captain specifically requests that the check be returned.

### **How do the referees get paid?**

The team captain or designee should take cash to the field to give to the referee crew before the match. A referee pay policy is posted on the website at <http://tasl.us/rules.htm>.

### **NCASA PLAYER PASS QUESTIONS:**

#### **Can a player participate without an NCASA pass?**

NO. TASL has a "No Pass, No Play" rule that the referees should enforce. TASL is a sanctioned league through NCASA/USASA which provides our players with a supplemental medical insurance in the event of injury. If a non-carded player is injured, there is no insurance available for that player AND this would apply to any player participating in that match. That is a responsibility that you as Team Captain or the referee should NOT assume.

#### **Does the NCASA pass need a picture?**

Yes. The Team Captain should get a 1 X 1 color picture, head shot, no sunglasses and not hats from each player to glue on the player pass.

### **GAME DAY QUESTIONS:**

#### **What is the game format for the playing divisions?**

Men's and Women's divisions are 11 v 11.

Coed division format is 10 vs 10 with 3 females on the playing field. If the game is on a full size field, the coed format is 11 vs 11 with 3 females on the playing field, but can be played at 10 vs 10 only if both team captains agree. Coed teams that can only field 2 female players will play with nine players. If there is only one female on the field, the team MUST play with eight players. A coed team that cannot field a female player at any time automatically forfeits the game.

### **How long are the games?**

Men's and Women's divisions are two 45 minute halves.  
Coed division games are two 35-minute halves.

### **How many games do we play?**

Fall and spring are 10 game seasons. In the event that the specified number of games are not played because of weather or field condition related cancellation, then the team will be credited half of the field use fee the next playing season. TASL does not refund teams for unplayed games. Forfeits are not included as cancellations.

### **Where do the teams play?**

Maps are available on the TASL website.

### **What does the Team Captain do on game day?**

The team captain needs to take the NCASA player passes, a copy of the team's Game Day roster, and cash for the referee crew to give to the referee before the game.

### **Who is responsible for the Match Report and score reporting?**

The Home team takes the Match Report filled out with date, field, opponents and gives to the referee before the game.

### **What if the weather is bad?**

Always call the Weather Hotline before leaving for a game. Even if the day is sunny, the field may be closed do to previous rain and unplayable field conditions. Please be understanding if weather or field conditions require that a game is cancelled at the field.

### **Can games be rescheduled?**

No guarantees. TASL has a Game Reschedule Policy posted on the website under Rules & Policies.

### **Do NCASA player passes need to be taken to the game?**

YES! The referees can enforce a "No pass No play" rule if you do not have the passes at the field.

### **Can a player participate without an NCASA player pass, for example before the pass is received?**

NO! If a non-carded player were involved in an injury to themselves or to others, the supplemental insurance coverage would not apply to any player or official on the field.

**What should I do if one of my players is injured during a game?**

Make sure that the injury is noted on the Match Report, and send an email to the TASL office with pertinent information.

**Is there insurance coverage in the event of an injury?**

Please inform your player that insurance information and forms can be found through a link called "Accident Insurance" on the TASL Home Page and at <http://www.ncsoccer.org/ncasa/insurance.html>.

**Is slide tackling allowed?**

Only in a safe manner in the Men's Open and Men's Over 30 playing divisions. Slide tackling is NOT allowed in the Men's Over 40 & Men's Over 50, Coed and Women's divisions.

**RULES AND DISCIPLINE:****Where can I find the Rules of playing the game?**

The Rules are posted on the website at <http://tasl.us/rules.htm>.

**What happens if one of my players receives a red card?**

The referee will keep the player's NCASA player pass and turn it into the TASL office. The player must sit out at least the next game. Often, additional penalties are given and the player will miss more than one game. The TASL office will notify the team captain and the player if additional game sanctions (more than one game) are given. You may pick up the player pass from the TASL office after the penalty has been served.

**Does a player have any options if they disagree with the red card?**

Yes, only if it is a multiple game suspension. There is a Discipline & Appeals Committee that reviews all player cards issued. There is a Appeals Policy posted on the website with details about how to appeal a multiple game suspension.

**Who can I contact if I have a question, problem or feedback to share?**

You may contact the TASL office or your playing Division Representative through the "Contact Us" link on the TASL website.