



## **Premier Elite Team Tryouts**

Premier Elite teams cannot be formed prior to U-11. Typically these teams are formed at the U-12 or U-13 age groups. Refer to the 'Travel Team Categories' link within the Youth Travel Program section of the Club's web site for details on the different travel team categories. The TC is responsible for U-11 to U-13 and the FSC is responsible for U-14 and older age groups and they will facilitate the tryout process and dispute resolution.

### **Pre-Tryout**

1. Tryout schedules will be posted on the WWPSA web site at least three weeks prior to the first tryout date. The Club will also advertise the tryouts in the local newspaper at least two weeks prior to the first tryout date.
2. Every player must complete a tryout registration form in order to facilitate tryouts.
3. The following will be made public and posted on the Club's web site at least two weeks prior to the tryouts:
  - i) name and qualifications of the head coach
  - ii) a preliminary outline of the team schedule in the upcoming season indication of dates and frequency for practices, league(s) play, tournaments, etc. during the summer, fall, winter and spring
  - iii) a specific set of team and player objectives and expectations
  - iv) team fees

### **Head Coach & Team Manager Selection**

1. Every team will have a professional Head Coach who is selected prior to tryouts.
2. The professional Head Coach is responsible for all aspects of soccer for the team including team training and coaching during friendlies, scrimmages, league games and tournament games.
3. Every team will have a volunteer parent team manager who is responsible for the administrative aspects of the team.

### **Tryout Evaluation**

1. Tryouts are for players who have the desire, soccer skills and year round commitment to the sport of soccer to compete within NJYS premier leagues and/or within NJYS affiliated premier leagues within the Mid-Atlantic States.
2. For the U-11 through U-13 age groups, selected in May at a separate 3rd tryout conducted following the standard 2 tryouts noted earlier in this document. Participation in the Premier Elite team tryout is by invitation only by the professional Head Coach.
3. Any player interested in trying out for an Premier Elite team must attend a minimum of one of the standard tryouts to be considered for an invitation to the Premier Elite team tryout.
4. For U-14, team will be selected through advertised individual team tryouts which are in May.



5. For U-15 and older, teams will be selected through advertised individual team tryouts which begin in May and end in the fall.

### **Team Offers**

1. Whether an Premier Elite team is formed in a particular age group and gender in a given year is determined by two factors:
  - a. the level of interest expressed by players and parents;
  - b. assessment of skill level at the tryouts.
2. Professional Head Coaches are responsible for team formation and selection. The professional Head Coach will make the offer to each player and will be responsible for communicating the final roster to the Travel Executive in a timely manner.
3. In all cases, the Travel Executive shall have the final say regarding a team's initial roster.