

ALASKA YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION

POLICY & PROCEDURE

POLICY TOPIC: **Team Uniform Policy**

POLICY NO: PLP08082006

POLICY: The Alaska Youth Soccer Affiliate Club and /or Association are to use appropriate uniform branding, and patch placement on all youth team uniforms.

PURPOSE: The intent of this policy is to ensure that Affiliate Club and /or Association member youth team uniforms, and team names are youth appropriate. No advertising or references to controlled substances, drinking establishments, sexual innuendoes, or political statements are allowed on the uniform kits

SPECIFICS:

Team Uniforms:

1. A youth team's uniform should be consistent with each other. Each player from the same team must be in the same uniform (jersey, shorts, and socks) at their match. Uniform style minor variations may be allowed prior to a tournament start date, subject to approval by tournament officials and /or SYRA.
2. Uniform Sleeves: player jersey must have sleeves (refer to Laws of the Game; pg. 54 Compulsory Equipment).
3. Uniform numbers must be a minimum of six (6) inches in size, be affixed to the back of the jersey, and shall be clearly visible. Duplicate numbers are NOT permitted.
4. Goalkeeper jersey colors are to be distinguished from other player uniform colors, and to be numbered.
5. Competitive Club Teams (11-U – 19-U) must have two (2) complete uniforms kits (one light color, including socks, the other dark color including socks).
6. Any inappropriate mark or name on a team member uniform must be removed, replace, or covered before the team member may continue to participate in the game.

Uniform Logos:

1. Player, team, and team official may only have on his/her/their apparel the name, logo, or other identifying mark of US Youth Soccer or a member directly (Alaska Youth Soccer, individual club and/or team logo or team sponsor logo) manufacturer uniform logo, or indirectly of US Youth Soccer.
2. Logos not conforming or deemed inappropriate to the above must be removed, replaced, or covered before the player or team official may continue to remain at the game site or field of play.
3. For **State Cup Tournament** and / or **USYS National Championship Series**- A name, logo, or other identifying mark of any youth soccer organization other than US Youth Soccer or its member must be removed, replaced, or covered before a player, team, or team official may continue to remain at the game site or field of play.
4. After an initial warning pursuant to (e)(1) above, the name, logo, or other identifying mark of any youth soccer organization other than US Youth Soccer or its member must be removed before the player, team, or team official may enter or continue in the competition.

Competitive Patch Placement:

1. Alaska Youth Soccer requires the Competitive Club patches to be worn on the LEFT SLEEVE of the jersey approximately 1' above the bottom edge of the sleeve.
2. The approved USYS National Championship Series Patch Placement - State Cup Champion Patch must be placed on the RIGHT SLEEVE of the (HOME) team uniform used in competition prior to attending the regional event (FWR/PC).
3. The State Cup Champion patch will be supplied to each State Cup Champion team prior to travel.