## ALASKA YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION

## **POLICY & PROCEDURE**

POLICY TOPIC: Youth Player and Youth Team in Adult League

POLICY NO: PP50706

- POLICY: Youth Player 14 years old and older *at the time of registration for Adult League* may register to play in a local sanctioned adult league. Any youth player and / or youth team that registers with an adult league must submit the "Permission to Play in Adult League" application to the AYSA for approval prior to the start of participation.
- PURPOSE: The policy will allow youth players and teams of appropriate age to participate in a sanctioned adult league while maintaining their "Youth" status; maintaining the "Youth" status will allow the player and team to qualify to attend youth tournaments and Alaska state cup.

PROCEDURE: Youth player must be at least 14 years old at the time adult league registration.

1. **Player**: must be properly registered with Alaska Youth Soccer Association in accordance with the rules of US Youth Soccer (Policy on Players and Playing Rules, 201 and 209) and be placed on a valid team roster in the with current seasonal year.

**Team:** must be properly registered with Alaska Youth Soccer Association. The Affiliate Club and /or Association will ensure all players and team representatives have properly registered in the current seasonal year, placed on a valid team, and have issued current seasonal year US Youth Soccer player and adult member passes.

**Team Representatives**: (coaches, managers, athletic trainers) and/ or volunteers must be properly registered with Alaska Youth Soccer Association and have met the requirements of the Adult Verification policy (AYS082217-A).

- 2. To maintain the "Youth" status the player and / or team must be in good standing (in compliance with, and has not violated, any of the bylaws and policies of USYS and AYSA) with Alaska Youth Soccer.
- 3. Player must continue to participate with their Affiliate Club and /or Association where a youth program is offered. Youth Affiliate Club and /or Association team participation must take precedence over adult league games, and practices.
- 4. Before the first (1<sup>st</sup>) game the player and / or affiliate youth team must submit for approval the "Permission to Play Adult League" application to AYSA. Affiliate youth team may use one application per team submitting the team roster with the application; all youth players on the roster must be at least 14 years old.
- 5. Penalty fee will be imposed for player and / or affiliate youth team failing to submit application to AYSA prior to the start of participation and / or first game.
  - \$50.00 player penalty fee for an individual registering (Risk of Losing "Youth" Status) or
  - \$150.00 team penalty fee for a team registering (Risk of Losing "Good Standing" Status)
- 6. Failure to follow AYSA policies may result in player and / or affiliate youth team being placed in Not Good Standing and disqualified from any sanctioned youth league games, tournaments, and the Alaska state cup.
- 7. The "Permission to Play in Adult League" application must be completed on an annual basis. The affiliate youth team must update team roster if new players are added during the current seasonal year.