

Alaska Youth Soccer Association

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TO:	AYSA Members and Affiliate Clubs
FROM:	Alaska Youth Soccer Association Board of Directors
DATE:	April 2, 2017
RE:	Teams Unaffiliated with Alaska Youth Soccer Association or US Youth Soccer

Dear Members and Affiliate Clubs,

To maintain club affiliation, remain in Good Standing, and Alaska Youth Soccer (AYSA) from inadvertently and unexpectedly becoming liable for an uninsured loss, AYSA would like to address the following question:

"Can an unaffiliated (not registered with AYSA or USYS) team play or scrimmage against a registered AYSA team?"

Alaska Youth Soccer will not permit an unaffiliated team to participate in any AYSA sanctioned league play, scrimmage, or tournament, unless that tournament has been sanctioned by US Youth Soccer as "Unrestricted".

Players, coaches, and teams must be registered during the current seasonal year under the Alaska Youth Soccer, and are in Good Standing (in compliance with, and has not violated, any of the bylaws and policies of USYS and AYSA). Players must be properly registered with AYSA 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.

Players who are <u>not affiliated</u> with AYSA and USYS may not play with or be added on the same team.

If an AYSA affiliated team chooses to play against or play on teams not affiliated with AYSA and USYS, will seriously jeopardize insurance coverage that is provided for club affiliation, teams, and sanctioned matches. Not only will players, playing in an unsanctioned event, not have insurance coverage, but your club affiliation might be vicariously liable or face other serious repercussions. Please protect your membership; players, parents, team representatives and yourself by verifying that the events and teams are USYS sanctioned!

If you have questions regarding any of this, or questions regarding the possible repercussions your club could face, please feel free to contact the Alaska Youth Soccer Office.

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