



Memo

To: Zone Presidents and Registrars; Community Association Coordinators; and all Players and Parents
 From: Amanda Probe – Executive Director
 Date: January 30, 2020
 Re: **Zone Boundary Changes & Grandfathering Clause for Indoor 2020-21**

Zone Boundary Process:

Back in 2012, the members of SYSI approved bylaw changes allowing for an annual review of zone boundaries by a committee comprised of SYSI Board and zone members called the Zone Composition Advisory Committee; and for the SYSI Board to have final decision authority on any changes. These bylaw changes created the ability for the SYSI Board to have more flexibility in response to shifts in population. This year’s particular review made note of a population and soccer registration disparity in the Eastside Youth Soccer Association zone with the largest and fastest growing community being Stonebridge creating a large imbalance of equitable zones. The committee provided recommendations for re-assignments of neighborhoods to address the imbalance to the SYSI Board. On January 29, 2020, the SYSI Board passed a motion to re-assign Riversdale, King George, and Holiday Park from Eastside zone to SUSC zone and to also re-assign Greystone Heights and Grosvenor Park from Eastside to Lakewood. The new adjusted zone boundaries are to take effect Indoor 2020-21 with player residency as of August 1, 2020. The SYSI Board also approved a grandfathering clause.

Community	Former Zone	New or Re-Assigned Zone	Grandfathering Option	Restricted by Zone Boundaries	Season Change is to Take Effect
Greystone Heights	Eastside	Lakewood	All Under-7 and Under-9 Development League players and Under-11 to Under-17 age eligible players who have registered with their former zone and their siblings are eligible to make a one-time choice to grandfather or become part of their newly assigned zone.	Under 11 – Under 17 Those born 2004 to 2011 for Indoor 2020-21 and Outdoor 2021	Indoor 2020-21 <i>Residency as of August 1st, 2020</i>
Grosvenor Park	Eastside	Lakewood			
Riversdale	Eastside	SUSC			
King George	Eastside	SUSC			
Holiday Park	Eastside	SUSC			

Zone Boundary Changes:

- Riversdale, King George, Holiday Park from Eastside to SUSC.
- Greystone Heights and Grosvenor Park from Eastside to Lakewood.

Grandfathering Clause: Grandfathering clause for zone boundary changes takes effect Indoor 2020-21 Season to include all Under-7 and Under-9 Developmental players and Under-11 to Under-17 age eligible players who reside in the Greystone Heights, Grosvenor Park, Riversdale, King George, and Holiday Park neighborhoods and who have registered in past seasons with Eastside including any siblings. Those who are Under-7 to Under-17 and live in the above stated neighbourhoods but have never registered in past seasons with Eastside zone will not be eligible for the grandfathering clause unless they have a sibling who is eligible for grandfathering. Those eligible for grandfathering may make a one-time choice to be grandfathered with their Eastside zone or become part of the newly assigned zone. These changes were made with a player and family centric view.

The rationale for providing a grandfathering clause for all affected neighborhoods is to allow for players’ freedom of choice. Several players may have longstanding relationships with their current zone which may include fee subsidization or travel arrangements, friends they’ve played with for several years, etc. The focus of this was overall fairness with a player centric approach. Without limiting in any way the discretion given to the Zone Composition Advisory Committee (ZCAC) and the SYSI Board, the intention is that this change will allocate players and development areas in a manner designed to eliminate the need for further consideration of boundary alterations for the foreseeable future.

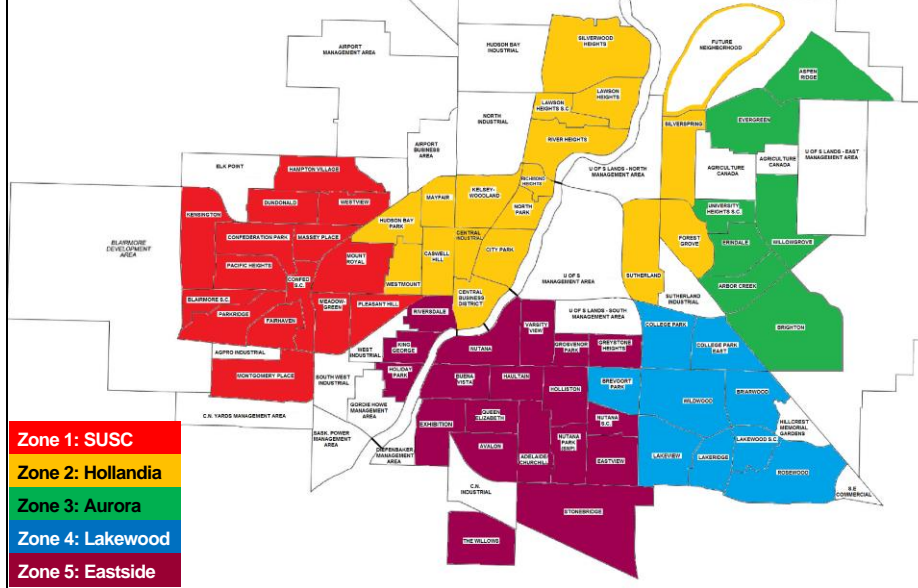
It is the SYSI Board’s intent that these changes will be for the better good of soccer in Saskatoon as a whole and a review of the boundaries will continue to occur on an annual basis. It is our desire that the time, energy and resources of everyone involved in youth soccer, be focused on growing the game as rapidly as the city itself is growing. The world is beating a path to Saskatoon and the world’s game is a wonderful way to create lasting relationships, stronger neighbourhoods and healthier, fitter children.

If you are a parent and have any questions regarding these changes please contact your resident zone board or community association. If you are a zone board member or community association coordinator please contact Amanda with the SYSI office at (306) 975 – 3412 or email executivedirector@saskatoonyouthsoccer.ca.

Zone maps are included on the next page of this document.

Current Zone Boundaries

Indoor 2019-20 &
Outdoor 2020



NEW Zone Boundaries

Effective Indoor 2020-21

Grandfathering choice available to U7 to U17 age eligible players residing in Holiday Park, King George, Riversdale, Greystone Heights, and Grosvenor Park who have registered with the Eastside Zone in past season(s) and their siblings.

