



SUSC Player Tryout Policy 2025

Purpose of the Policy:

To be as open and transparent as possible. This policy is developed to give every player, coach and team personnel an open, fair and equal opportunity to have their skill level seen and evaluated for team selection purposes.

Policy:

This proposed policy will be focused on age levels U11 - U18. Teams participating at the Senior Levels do not apply to this policy.

- Players must have attended and participated at least 50% of the scheduled try outs of that particular team to be considered eligible for selection of that particular team. ** Exception listed at bottom may be exercised**
- Coaches in consultation with the Board and based on need must have at minimum of two (2) try out sessions scheduled with the first tryout session giving at least (3) days prior notice posted on the Summerside United Soccer Club website and Facebook page.
- Players will be guaranteed the first two (2) scheduled tryouts and after the second it will be by invite only to attend the final sessions
- Players must attend the complete scheduled try out session. Early departures for reasons considered not to be valuable to the proposed team, will be counted as not attended. (ex. attend another sporting event, weather related concerns outside of cancellations, etc.)
- Excusable reasons to be considered reasonable would be, illness, death of a family member, or other reasons brought forward to the SUSC Board of Directors.
- The board may appoint other persons to the sessions to observe, comment and be involved in the team selection on a case-by-case basis.
- Further to the above, if low numbers are registered for a particular tryout, the Board of Directors may decide to alter the above and hold tryouts in a more beneficial process for all.

Objections to a team selection and or the questioning of a fair process may be subjected to a selection review by a Review Committee set forth by the Summerside United Soccer Club Board of Directors. Said committee shall consist of the Technical Director, the President (or Vice President) and the Youth / Junior Youth Director depending on division.

If a parent and/or player has an objection to a final roster non-selection of their player, they must submit a written communication addressed to the Review Committee (members as laid out above), outlining the concern.

The Review Committee shall take the written statement and contact the other committee members and arrange a meeting. That meeting to be held within three (3) days of the written communication being received. The Head Coach will be required to submit a written statement to the Review Committee explaining, in detail, why the selection was made or not made. The Committee shall review all submission and, if required, shall contact all who made submissions in efforts to find a resolution.

A decision shall be rendered not more than four (4) days after the receipt of the letter from the concerned player or parent. The final decision shall be communicated with the parent and head coach of the team in question from the Review Committee.

****Any player(s) who can not attend any try outs, must submit a letter addressed to the Review Committee outlining the reason for not being able to attend the scheduled try outs. Once the letter has been received by the Review Committee, the letter will be presented to the Summerside United Soccer Club Board of Directors for discussion and a decision. This letter must be received prior to the first tryout session and be approved by the Board of Directors. Any permission given by others or verbally, will be considered nonbinding and will void the ability to be considered for selection.**