



Boys and Girls Teams – U9 Through U18
Premier and Recreation Level Teams
21st Annual Soccer Tournament November 20th, 21st, and 22nd 2009

Our event is designed to provide an enjoyable weekend of soccer with excellent competition to teams of all skill levels. **Proceeds from this event will benefit our Mountain Road Soccer Scholarship Fund.**

Tournament Venue

Our annual tournament will be held at the Lake Shore Athletic Complex in Pasadena, MD. Nearby fields will also be used for some of the preliminary rounds.

Competition/Eligibility

Registration is open to Boys and Girls Under 9 – Under 18 Recreational and Premier/Select Teams who are USYSA affiliated and in good standing with their National State Soccer Association. **Boys and Girls Under U18 is also open to Tournament Teams as defined by USYSA as “Tournament Select Teams”.** The tournament format will be three (3) preliminary matches plus a championship final. Depending upon the number of teams in a division, some divisions may play 2 preliminary matches, a semi final or consolation match, and then a final championship match. Division brackets will depend on the number of registered teams for a specific age group. All teams are guaranteed three (3) matches. Guest players who are registered with their respective National State Soccer Association will be allowed, up to three (3) per team. **Recreational Teams: Guest players U9-U14 must have played in the same fall 2009 league as the registered team.** Teams will be evaluated based on their recent individual team league records and will be placed accordingly:

**Recreational Division A and B
Premier/Select Division A and B**

(Additional divisions may be added if needed.)

**Age Groups
Boys and Girls**

U9	08/01/00 to 07/31/01
U10	08/01/99 to 07/31/00
U11	08/01/98 to 07/31/99
U12	08/01/97 to 07/31/98
U13	08/01/96 to 07/31/97
U14	08/01/95 to 07/31/96
U18	08/01/91 to 07/31/95

Note: U15-U18 will combine to form a Under 18 age group.

The Tournament Committee reserves the right to combine age groups and/or divisions if necessary.

NEW FOR 2009 Girls Under 18

Also offered this fall is a small sided bracket for GU18. Roster size is limited to 12 players. Teams will play 7 v 7, on a 9 v 9 size field, with full size goals. The off-sides rule will not apply. Additionally, goalkeepers may not "punt" (in the air) across the halfway line. Such a punt results in a indirect free kick for the opponent at the spot where the ball crossed the halfway line.

Under 9 and 10 teams will play 7 V 7, Under 11 and 12 will play 8 V 8 on "downsized fields", (80 yards x 50 yards). Under 13 and above play 11 v 11. (Exception, GU18, small sided, as above).

Sanction Requirements



This tournament is sanctioned by USYSA and will be played under the jurisdiction of Maryland State Youth Soccer Association (MSYSA). **Out of State** Teams from New Jersey must submit *Permission to Travel* Form. Any team **outside Region 1** must submit *Notification of Travel*. All teams must provide medical release forms for each player (notary is not required). Mountain Road Soccer will conduct player credential checks to ensure that all players are registered with US Youth Soccer (USYSA) or US Soccer, properly rostered with their team, and participating in accordance with representations set forth on the US Youth Soccer *Application to Host a Tournament or Games*.

Rules

All games will be played in accordance with FIFA laws, except as modified in the tournament rules. A copy of the tournament rules can be found on our web site www.mrsoccer.com and will also be provided in coach's packets.

Field/facility use

Dimensions of fields used will be in accordance with FIFA rules and procedures for specific age groups. Inclement weather or field conditions may affect tournament completion.

USSF certified referees will be provided by Capital Area Soccer Referees Association. Referees will be paid on the field by participating teams (cash only). The **fee schedule** and format for specific age groups are as follows:

Age Group	# of Officials	Fee per Team Team	Length
Under 9-10	1	\$15.00	25 Min Halves
Under 11	1	\$16.00	25 Min Halves
Under 12	1	\$16.00	25 Min Halves
Under 13-14	3	\$39.00	25 Min Halves
Under 18	3	\$42.00	25 Min Halves

NOTE GU18 (small sided).....1 official.....\$17.00 per team 25 min halves

Accumulated Yellow Card Policy

Any player receiving two (2) yellow cards in the tournament will sit out the next match following receipt of the second yellow card. This rule applies to any play-off or championship matches. Please note this is policy of Maryland State Youth Soccer Association.

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Entry fees

U9, U10, U11, U12, GU18ss.....**\$400.00**

U13 to U18.....**\$450.00**

These fees do not include referee fees.

Space is limited so please register early.

Registration Application

Our official tournament web site can be found at www.mrsoccer.com. Team registration application must be submitted online no later than October 16, 2009. Credit cards (MasterCard and Visa) will be accepted. **Checks for team entry fees are due within ten (10) days after submitting registration.** Team applications and entry fees received after the deadline will be placed on a waiting list. Please make checks or money orders payable to **Mountain Road Soccer** and mail to:

Mountain Road Soccer Tournament 2009
P.O. Box 800
Pasadena, MD 21123

A \$35.00 fee will be charged for any returned checks.

Team Acceptance

A list of accepted teams will be posted on the tournament web site on or about October 30, 2009. If your team is not accepted, you will be notified by email and your team entry fee will be refunded.

Awards

Eighteen (18) individual trophies will be awarded to the 1st and 2nd place teams in the U-13 through U-18 age groups. Fourteen (14) individual trophies will be awarded to the 1st and 2nd place team in the U-9 through U-12 age groups. Twelve (12) trophies will be awarded for first and second place finishers in the GU18ss bracket.

Refund policy

After team acceptance, entry fees are non-refundable except in the event of severe, inclement weather resulting in cancellation of the tournament in whole. Should this occur, the following refund policy will be in effect:

All tournament expenses will be deducted from registration fees collected. Remaining money will be refunded to registered team proportionately in accordance with that teams registration fee. Should the tournament be cancelled in part, no refunds will be issued.

Accommodations

Hotel accommodations can be made at any lodging facility of your choice. For your convenience, listed below are lodging facilities nearby our event.

Hampton Inn
6617 Ritchie Hwy
Glen Burnie, MD 21061
410-761-7666

Hampton Inn
7027 Arundel Mills Circle
Hanover, MD 21076
410-540-9225

Additional Information

Inquiries may be directed to our Tournament Director, Gene Perry, by e-mail tournament@mrsoccer.com or you may phone 410-804-3060