



POLICY 16

TRAVEL

A. PERMISSION FOR TRAVEL

1. Travel privileges may be granted to all amateur teams and to youth teams registered in Divisions 1, 2, and 3.
2. Youth Division 4 teams may only travel to participate in the following:
 - a. A USYS sanctioned invitational tournament hosted by the association in which the team is registered
 - b. A USYS sanctioned recreational tournaments. This does not include recreational all-star tournaments.
 - c. TS sponsored recreational tournaments such as the Kohl's American Cup
 - d. Participation in sanctioned games with other TS registered recreational teams
 - e. Participation in recreational league play or friendlies with USSF affiliated organizations that have complied with the TS policy on interplay
3. Teams desiring to travel outside the state of Tennessee for play shall request permission to travel by completing the Out of State Travel Permit link on the TS website home page.
4. Coaches and managers of teams expecting to compete outside of their home association shall be familiar with and abide by the rules and policies of Tennessee Soccer and USSF.

B. CONDUCT OF TEAMS

1. TS conduct policies shall apply to all amateur and youth traveling teams and all persons involved with the team including team members, coach, assistant coach, team manager, parents, family members, and spectators.
2. The team and all persons involved with the team are expected to conduct themselves in a sportsmanlike manner under all circumstances and to exhibit appropriate behavior before, during, and after a game, in and around lodging, and on any other occasions when the group could be identified as a team.
3. Traveling teams are expected to abide by the rules of the specific tournament or event they are participating in as a condition of being accepted by the tournament.

4. Any team or person involved with the team found to be in violation of the letter or the intent of the TS Constitution, Bylaws, Policies, or Procedures shall be subject to disciplinary action as outlined in the TS policy on conduct and discipline.

C. PARTICIPATION

1. Traveling teams are expected to attend and participate in all scheduled tournament events and ceremonies.
2. Willful failure to attend mandatory tournament events shall result in disciplinary action as outlined in the TS Policy on Conduct.

D. GUEST PLAYERS

1. Coaches using guest players shall play only players that are appropriate to the age group and that are registered with and possess a valid player card from a USYS National State Association.
2. Division 4 youth players may participate as guest players on tournament teams. The player must be of the appropriate age (U8 and older) and shall possess a valid player card issued by a USYS National State Association.

E. REGIONAL AND NATIONAL EVENTS

1. Participation in regional and national competitions or events may involve special requirements such as signed rosters, payment of bonds, or prepayment of room deposits.
2. Players and coaches participating in such tournaments or events shall be expected to comply with any and all such requirements as outlined in the USYS Policies and the TS Policy 9 Conduct and Discipline.