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EVENT GUIDE

Midwest Neutral Site
Waukegan Sports Park - Illinois

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About the League

USL Youth is a driving force for American soccer's greatest energy: its youth players. It is dedicated to elevating the youth player experience in the United States by inspiring, educating, and engaging the American "soccer generation."

USL Youth provides alignment between the USL's youth initiatives and the full USL ecosystem's youth-to-pro pathway. It focuses on building and engaging a vibrant youth soccer community through events, content, and experiences, providing an integral step in the soccer journey of players, coaches, clubs, and families.

USL Youth aims to meet you where you are on your soccer journey and support why you do it.

Event Schedule

Friday, 7/18

6 pm

USL Youth Matches

Saturday, 7/19

8 am - 6 pm

USL Youth Matches

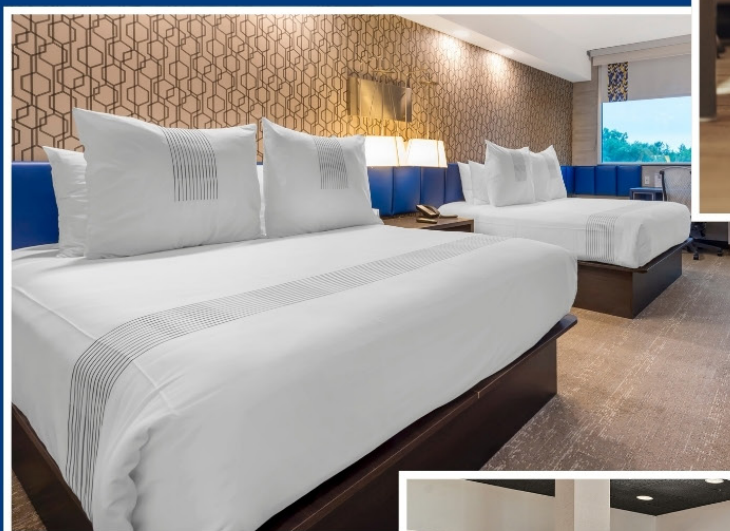
Sunday, 7/20

8 am - 6 pm

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USL YOUTH RULES & GUIDELINES

ELIGIBLE PLAYERS & COACHES

All players and coaches must be registered through USL and must appear on the Digital Match Roster (DMR) with a valid headshot in order to be eligible to play in USL Youth games. Player Passes (US Club, USYS, etc.) are not valid and will not be accepted.

GAME LENGTHS

U10: 2x25 minutes
U11 - U12: 2x30 minutes
U13 - U15: 2x35 minutes
U16 - U17: 2x40 minutes
U17/19 (Girls Only): 2x45 minutes
U18/19 (Boys Only): 2x45 minutes

UNIFORMS/JERSEY CONFLICTS

Teams are required to have both jerseys with them at each game. The home team should wear light colors, and the away team should wear dark colors. If there is a uniform conflict, it is the home team responsibility to change their uniform.

HEADING GAME RULE

For the U10 & U11 age groups there is no heading allowed. U12 & up are eligible to head the ball during competition. Players who are playing up will play according to the rules of the age group in which they are playing. It is the club's responsibility to understand the effects of this rule on players playing up.

MATCH ROSTERS & REPORTS

Digital Match Rosters (DMR) must be submitted not later than 1 hour prior to kickoff. Officials are required to check-in both teams, and officials should only be paid once this is completed. If officials do not complete this process prior to kickoff, you should call your divisional manager.

Match Reports will be completed by the officials at the end of the match. Coaches should confirm the final score, cautions, and send offs with the official once the match is complete.

GUIDELINES FOR WATER BREAKS

Water breaks are mandatory when the temperature is or expected to reach 92 degrees Fahrenheit or higher during the competition. These breaks must take place at the halfway point during each half and should last 1-2 minutes.

If a team decides that a water break is needed outside of these guidelines, this must be agreed upon by both teams and the officials prior to the start of the match.

INCOMPLETE GAMES

If a game cannot be completed, the game will stand if the game reaches half time. If the match is suspended prior to half time, the game must be replayed at a time agreed upon by both teams. Clubs should follow the Game Delays and Postponements (Rule 213) in the Operations Manual when these situations occur.

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GAMEDAY REFERENCE GUIDE

UNIFORMS

- Clubs are required to bring both Home & Away uniforms to both games.
- Home Team – Light Colors.
- Away Team – Dark Colors.
- * Home team is responsible for changing uniforms if there is a conflict.

PRE-MATCH

- Digital Match Roster (DMR) must be submitted on MOD 11 no later than 1 hour prior to kick off.
- U10 – Max of 12 players on roster.
- U11 & U12 – Max of 16 players on roster.
- U13 – U18/19 – Max of 18 players on roster.
- Officials should check players prior to being paid. If this is not completed, please contact your divisional manager. Once the game kicks off, this is confirmation that all pregame protocols were completed correctly by both teams and the officials.

POST MATCH

- Officials will submit match reports.
- Coaches should confirm the final score, cautions, and send offs with the official once the match is complete.

REFEREE PAY STRUCTURE

AGE	U10	U11	U12	U13	U14	U15	U16	U17B	U17/19G	U18/19
REFEREE	50	50	50	70	70	70	90	90	90	90
AR1	X	30	30	50	50	50	65	65	65	65
AR2	X	30	30	50	50	50	65	65	65	65



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Complex Map










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USL Development Pathway

	WOMEN'S	MEN'S
PROFESSIONAL	 <p>GAINBRIDGE SUPER LEAGUE USL^S GAINBRIDGE SUPER LEAGUE DIVISION 1</p>	 <p>USLTM USL CHAMPIONSHIP DIVISION 2</p>  <p>USLTM USL LEAGUE ONE DIVISION 3</p>
PRE-PROFESSIONAL	 <p>USLTM USL W LEAGUE</p>	 <p>USLTM USL LEAGUE TWO</p>  <p>USLTM USL ACADEMY</p>
YOUTH	 <p>USLTM USL YOUTH</p>	

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2025 Standards Chart

Age Group	Birth Year	Number of Players	Field Size (Max)	Goal Size	Game Length	Half Time	Ball Size	Max Gameday Roster Size
U10	2016	7v7	65x45 Yards	6.5 x 18.5	2 x 25	10	4	12
U11	2015	9v9	80x55 Yards	7 x 21	2 x 30	10	4	16
U12	2014	9v9	80x55 Yards	8 x 24	2 x 30	10	4	16
U13	2013	11v11	112x75 Yards	8 x 24	2 x 35	12	5	18
U14	2012	11v11	112x75 Yards	8 x 24	2 x 35	12	5	18
U15	2011	11v11	112x75 Yards	8 x 24	2 x 35	12	5	18
U16	2010	11v11	112x75 Yards	8 x 24	2 x 35	12	5	18
U17 B	2009	11v11	112x75 Yards	8 x 24	2 x 40	12	5	18
U17-U19 G	2009-07	11v11	112x75 Yards	8 x 24	2 x 45	12	5	18
U18-19 B	2008-07	11v11	112x75 Yards	8 x 24	2 x 45	12	5	18