

Dear Parents,

Hello. We are really excited for the upcoming Spring Select All Star season. Keep in mind that participation is a privilege and you are representing Region 50 at all practices, games and team events. Playing in Spring Select comes with "extra" responsibilities and commitments far above regular recreation soccer. To help you make a fully informed decision whether to accept our invitation, this letter sets forth some basic information about the season, and describes the nature of the commitments that are expected from players and their parents. Requirements are subject to change.

<u>\*Please submit a response via email, "agree" or "decline". If you agree, download & print this Commitment Letter and returned signed to your coach. You can e-sign and email a PDF copy to your coach as well.</u>

## Spring Select Program Overview

The Redlands Spring Select All Star program is designed to provide a more challenging level of play for those players who possess the appropriate interest, skills and abilities. Select enhances each players experience and individual growth through the game of soccer while retaining the spirit and organization of Ayso. The program is geared towards the top 10-15% of players in each eligible division. Players are chosen after being nominated by their Fall coaches and completing tryouts.

Practices will begin in February. The season typically begins the first week in March, and ends the 2<sup>nd</sup> week in June. Home games are in Redlands and away games are at other AYSO regions. Spring Select teams will play in tournaments, but it is up to the coach to decide how many tournaments they will participate in. Players are required to participate in all games & tournaments. Tournament fees are separate from registration fees and will be divided between the team. Teams can fundraise to pay for tournaments, or secure sponsorships. (Please note sponsorships are non-refundable. No exceptions)

## **Player and Parent Commitments**

Player and their parents are expected to make the following commitments:

- To make the Spring Select team your first priority over different sports or other afterschool/ weekend activities from the beginning of the season through the end. Spring Select players cannot be rostered on other soccer teams including club. They can "guest play" on Extra or Ayso United teams as approved by the Spring Select Coordinator only.
- 2. To timely attend the team practices. 2 practices per week depending on coach/player availability, and attend all games and tournaments. Players cannot miss practices to attend other practices.
- 3. To inform coaches of absence, illness, or emergency sufficiently in advance of any practices or games that you cannot attend. Excessive unexcused absences may be cause for decreased playing time and removal from the team.
- 4. To not be disruptive during practices and games, includes players & parents. Parents who receive a Red Card during a game will serve a minimum 3-game suspension.
- 5. To volunteer to referee games. Teams must have 4-referees who will referee Spring Select and Core games.
- 6. To otherwise volunteer as needed by the coach if you (parents) are not certified referees, as Field Directors, Field Monitors, RC tent help, or in any other fashion as requested by your coach. The total number of hours per season are usually 20-25.
- 7. To conduct yourselves appropriately at all times while at games, with the knowledge that you are representing Redlands Region 50. This includes, but is not limited to, being courteous to the referees at all times regardless of whether you agree with their calls; being courteous to the opposing team's players and coaches at all times regardless if they are courteous to you; and complying with all Ayso rules.
- 8. To comply with all game related requests of your team's coach including, but not limited to: what position(s) to play; what quarters to play; strategies and tactics.
- 9. To comply with all rulings and other decisions made by the Regional Commissioner and Spring Select Coordinator.
- 10. To help secure a team sponsorship to contribute towards tournament fees.
- 11. Parents agree to not undermine coach. You will support the coaches & team staff during practices, games and other team events.
- 12. All social media, team apps, and text threads will remain positive towards the coaches, players and other parents.

## **Consequences of Non-Compliance**

Failure to honor any of these commitments may, after consultation with the team coach and approval of the Regional Commissioner and Spring Select Coordinator, result in any or all of the following consequences: Player being removed from the team; (a) reduction of playing time in league games; (b) being left off the roster for tournament games; (c) suspension from the team; (d) loss of eligibility for future tournament teams; (e) disallowing a problem parent from attending games; (f) parents may also be sanctioned directly by restricting attendance at games or tournaments; and (g) such other appropriate consequences as may be approved by the Commissioner.

A copy of the full rules and guidelines are available on the Redlands Region 50 website under the Spring Select page. Thank you for participating and volunteering and we look forward to your child's participation and a great Redlands Spring Select season.

I have read and understand the above. I Agree & Accept.	
Parent/ Guardian Signature/ Date	
Player Signature/ Date	·
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