



# LOUDOUN SOCCER

## Travel Team Pre-Tryout Information Sheet 2014 – 2015

**Welcome to the Loudoun Soccer Travel Team 2014-15 Tryouts.** Below is key information regarding the Loudoun 01B Red team for which your child is trying out. It includes general team information, as well as financial and logistical commitments associated with being part of this team in the Loudoun Soccer Travel Program. If you would like further information, please feel free to contact the Head Coach.

**Team Name** Loudoun Soccer 01B Red

**Age Group** U13 Boys

There are expected to be 6 teams in this age group. This team is in the Loudoun Soccer Elite tier and is considered the A Team.

**This team plays in the following Competitive League:** Club Champions League (CCL)

**Head Coach:** Grant Smith **Tel. #:** 703-868-8867 **Email:** [Grantwsmith@cox.net](mailto:Grantwsmith@cox.net)

### Head Coach Qualifications / Experience

Coach Smith's philosophy is to provide a positive and challenging training environment for his players and teach them to respect the game and the spirit in which it should be played. Coach Smith comes to Loudoun from Arlington Soccer Association where he has been the Director of Coaching and the Coach of various teams for 12 years including the 2011 U13 Boys Virginia State Champion and Region 1 Finalist. He also coached the 2011 '95 Boys Region 1 and National Champion teams and the 2012 '96 Boys region 1 and National Championship Finalist team. Coach Smith was also a VYSA State and District ODP Head Coach for 12 years and was named 2011 VYSA Competitive Coach of the Year. Coach Smith holds a USSF "A" License and a USYS National Youth License in coaching. Coach Smith played in college at the University of Virginia where he was a member of their ACC Championship team.

**Required commitments for being on this team:** The is a premier level team and the requirement for all players that accept the invitation to join it will be expected to attend any and all events entered. These include, but are not limited to, training, league games, tournaments and other team related events. Players must also train on their own away from team training and are encouraged to participate in high-level programs that complement our team training. We will register for top tournaments on the east coast and locally. We will apply to compete in the Region 1 Premier League as well. This team will enter and compete in the state cup in the spring.

**This team will have the following tournament schedule**

#### Fall tournaments include:

- Spirit United Kickoff Classic – 8/16/14 (travel)
- YMS Tournament or EDP Cup – Columbus day (travel)
- Bethesda Tournament – 11/22/14 (local)

#### Spring tournaments include:

- Arlington Spring Invitational – 2/27/15 (local)
- Annandale Premier Cup – 3/6/15 (local)
- FC Delco or EDP Spring Cup – Memorial Day (travel)

This team **will** practice through the winter. This is expected to involve:  
At least 2 training sessions per week from January to March. We may add an indoor session in combination with the 99 red team to bring us to 3 sessions per week. Days and times TBD

**All players and parents should be aware of the commitment required for this team:**

This team is a year-round team and will train two to three times a week as well as participate in additional technical training sessions and play games on the weekend (spring/fall). It will also require various winter and summer training commitments. The number of practices and the requirement for attendance at practices and games will necessitate a very high degree of dedication on the part of all team players and their parents. If your child is selected and you cannot make such a commitment, please do not accept a spot on the team. One of the other teams should be able to match your ability level and commitment. If you are accepted on the team and cannot maintain your commitments to the team, the coach **will** limit your playing time to represent your level of commitment in all areas.

In accordance with "VYSA Policy Regarding Nonpayment of Club/Team Financial Obligations by Travel Players", approved in April 2012, players may be released by the team for non-payment of club or team fees. A team may release a player from the team roster for failure to meet financial obligations as outlined in VYSA Registration Manual (5.27). Accordingly, VYSA will not process a transfer of a player from one club/team to another during the seasonal year if that player is not current on his or her financial obligations.

**Additional Try out**

There are a number of players who may be either injured or who have conflicts with tryout dates. Therefore, a supplemental tryout may be held, should the coach wish to. Any additional tryouts will be at the coach's discretion and information regarding such will be posted on the team website.

**Loudoun Soccer Club Fee (Elite - Red Team)**

Club fee per player for the full seasonal year (Fall 2014 and Spring 2015) \$2,415

Installment plans are available for club fees (4 month/9 month payments)

Club fee includes coach salary as defined in the standard coach plan, 10 winter team sessions, 10 summer team sessions, Pre-Season Team Summer camp, all facility fees.

Fall & Spring Training Academy and GK Academy are included in Club fee

8 winter Club Training sessions are included in Club fee

**Approximate Estimated Team Finances**

<b>Tournaments</b>	\$5000
<b>Winter Training Space or Indoor League</b>	\$ 800
<b>Premier or Colonial League Fees (inc. ref fees)</b>	\$2000
<b>Additional Field Space (5 sessions)</b>	\$1200
<b>Miscellaneous (team equipment, coach travel)</b>	\$1500
<b>Estimated cost per player based on team of 15 rostered.</b>	\$ 700

### **Approximate Estimated Individual Player Fees**

<b>Uniforms – New Players Only Estimated Cost Per Player (2 shorts, 2 jerseys, 4 socks, warm-up suit, backpack, practice shirts)</b>	\$ 275
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	\$ 100
<b>NOTE: Does not include family travel expenses for tournaments or personal training/activities</b>	

### **Fundraising**

As a member of this team, you are expected to be proactive in fundraising, along with the rest of the team families. All funds raised are for the benefit of the team and remain as team funds (see below).

### **Financial Refunds**

Please be aware that financial refunds will not be given to any player's family or associated person, partner, colleague or alike should the player choose to leave a Loudoun Soccer team. Please refer to the Loudoun Soccer website for the full Travel Financial Policy. If the website does not answer your questions, please contact the Loudoun Soccer office. Thank you for your understanding.

### **MANDATORY TEAM MEETING INFORMATION:**

**Loudoun Soccer 01B Red will hold a mandatory meeting for the parents of players offered a spot on the team. The date/location of the meeting will be determined once the team has been selected. We will be discussing team expectations / plans, budget and roles, as well as answering any questions.**

If you have questions about this team that have not been answered here, please feel free to contact the team coach .If you have general questions regarding the Loudoun Soccer Travel program please contact Fiona Legg, Travel Program Manager at [tpm@loudounsoccer.com](mailto:tpm@loudounsoccer.com) / 703.777.9977 or contact Mark Ryan, Director of Coaching (Travel) at [traveldirector@loudounsoccer.com](mailto:traveldirector@loudounsoccer.com) / 703.777.9977

We thank you for your interest in the Loudoun Soccer Travel Program and trust that you will have a very enjoyable experience at our tryouts. Thank you for your attendance and please let us know if we can be of any assistance to you in the soccer community.