

# 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 98B 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 98B Red

Age Group U16 Boys

There are expected to be 5 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 Leagues: National League, Premier League, Club Champions League (CCL)

**Head Coach**: Mark Ryan **Email**: mryanuk@comcast.net

# **Head Coach Qualifications / Experience**

USSF A License, USSF National Youth License, English FA License Director of Coaching (Travel), Loudoun Soccer Northern Virginia ODP Director (boys and girls) Former college player and coach (George Mason University – 94-00) Former Manchester United Youth Player (92-94)

Required commitments for being on this team: The team will participate in national, regional, and state leagues and events, striving for the highest level of competition. The focus will be to develop the players and the team to reach their full potential. In order to achieve those goals, attendance at practice, games, and tournaments is important. Playing time on the team is earned based on practice and game performances, as well as dictated by the flow of play and opposition in any particular game. Training will be set up to allow players to develop individually in a group environment. Coach Mark expects players to work hard, enjoy coming to practice, and to spend time on their own outside of practices/games trying to improve their soccer game.

# This team will have the following tournament schedule

## Fall tournaments include:

- OBGC Labor Day Tournament
- CCL Fall Showcase

### Winter tournaments include:

- CASL (National League)
- Disney Soccer Showcase (National League)
- CCL Winter Showcase

### Spring tournaments include:

• Loudoun Soccer College Showcase

- Jefferson Cup
- Dallas Cup
- Memorial Day tournament

[info subject to change] This team will practice through the winter. This is expected to involve:

- Outdoor footskills training
- Outdoor turf field team practices

## 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 <u>may</u> 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) \$1,915

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

Club fee includes coach salary as defined in the standard coach plan, 12 winter team sessions, 12 summer team sessions, Pre-Season Team Summer camp, all facility fees. 8 winter Club Training sessions are included in Club fee.

# **Approximate Additional Estimated Team Finances**

Tournaments (OBGC, CCL Fall, CCL Winter, Loudoun, Jefferson, Dallas, Memorial Day)	\$ 480
Leagues (Premier, National, State Cup, Regional Championships)	\$ 565
Uniforms (new players \$100 per player, does not include warm-ups or backpacks)	As needed individually
Miscellaneous	\$ 40
Total Per Player (not including uniforms)	\$1085

#### **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 98B 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 <a href="mailto:tpm@loudounsoccer.com">tpm@loudounsoccer.com</a> / 703.777.9977 or contact Mark Ryan, Director of Coaching (Travel) at <a href="mailto:traveldirector@loudounsoccer.com">traveldirector@loudounsoccer.com</a> / 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.