



# LOUDOUN S O C C E R

## 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 00B White 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 00B White

**Age Group** U14 Boys

There are expected to be 5 teams in this age group. This team is in the Loudoun Soccer Travel 2 tier and is considered the C Team.

**This team plays in the following Competitive League:** National Capital Soccer League (NCSL)

**Head Coach:** Mike Manzo **Tel. #:** 571-246-2763 **Email:** Mike.Manzo@mac.com

### **Head Coach Qualifications / Experience:**

Mike Manzo is the Head Coach for the Loudoun 00B White team. Mike played soccer from age 6 up through his college years. Mike began coaching with Loudoun Soccer in the recreation league in 2005 coaching several teams, including helping with the 2010 All-Star team. He joined the Loudoun Soccer Travel coaching staff in 2010. He currently holds an "E" Coaching Certification and plans to pursue a "D" Coaches License later this year. Mike coaching style fosters a passion for the team game while working with each player to develop their fundamental skills, position differentiation, knowledge of the game, and love for playing competitive soccer.

### **Required commitments for being on this team:**

As a member of this team, your player is expected to attend all regularly scheduled team practices, TTAs, games, and tournaments. Team practices will be held twice weekly and TTA will be once weekly during the fall and spring. The NCSL fall and spring seasons include ~9 games each (depending on the division size). The winter season will include at least one session of indoor soccer, weekly outdoor TTA training, and additional age-group practices. The team will also organize a mandatory pre-season summer camp before the start of regular weekly practices in the fall. Additional pre-season summer, spring break, and winter training camps are available through Loudoun Soccer, but are not mandatory for this team.

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

#### Fall tournaments include:

- Dulles National Tournament - August 2014
- Battlefield Tournament - October 2014
- Hunt Country Fall Classic Tournament - November 2014

#### Spring tournaments include:

- Icebreaker Tournament - March 2015
- Virginian Elite Showcase Tournament - May 2015

This team **will** practice through the winter. This will involve once weekly TTA, once weekly age-group training, and two seasons of indoor soccer. Additional practices may be organized prior to the start of the spring season, in order to prepare for pre-season tournaments.

**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 (Travel 2- WhiteTeam)**

Club fee per player for the full seasonal year (Fall 2014 and Spring 2015) \$1,415

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

Club fee includes Fall and Spring Trainer salary as defined in the standard coach plan

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

8 winter Club Training sessions are included in Club fee

**Approximate Additional Estimated Team Finances**

Tournaments	\$250
Winter Training Space or Indoor League	\$200
Summer Training	\$200
Miscellaneous	\$50
<b>TOTAL PER PLAYER</b>	<b>\$700</b>

**NOTE:** Cost of uniforms/player equipment is not included in either the club fees or the estimated team fees. Approximate cost for a new player is \$100, not including warm-ups or backpacks.

**Fundraising**

In the past, this team has not needed to conduct additional fundraising events. We do not believe this will change for the ‘14-‘15 season. However, if this does become a necessity, 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 00B White 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.