



Centre Soccer Association - Playing Up/Down Policy

Centre Soccer recognizes that player development is best advanced by allowing players to compete at the appropriate level based on player's ability, even if it means playing up or down an age group. CSA also recognizes that socially players may be best served by playing with their classmates.

Players will not be permitted to play up or down unless the parent signs an additional waiver, and certifies in writing that:

1. The player is being placed on a team with his or her classmates; or
2. The player's skill level justifies the placement. Needs recommendation from coach; or
3. Overall benefit to the player and association, at the discretion of the Technical Director.

Process

Parent's wishing to have their daughter or son "play-up or down" should submit to CSA an Age Division Exception Form, clearly indicating the reason for making the request 14 days prior to the start of the season.

If player is moving up based on the players skill level contact information for the coach making the recommendation must also be included on the request form. Must be approved.

For players wishing to move up or down to play with their classmates must just note their grade level on the form.

If players are making the request for another reason that must be outlined clearly on the request and will need to be approved by CSA's Technical Director.

The mission of the **Centre Soccer Association** is to provide instructional and competitive soccer opportunities for players of all ages that enhance character, community and love of the game of soccer. Integrated in this is the building of self-esteem, self-confidence, team work, respect for self and others, and all the inherent benefits of physical exercise.



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Players Name:	
Parent (Guardian) Name:	
Phone Number:	
Email Address:	
Players Birth Date:	
Age at cutoff date 7/31:	Grade:
Program Signing Up For:	

Reason For Requesting Exception:

1. The player is being placed on a team with his or her classmates; or
2. The player's skill level justifies the placement. Needs recommendation from coach; or
3. Overall benefit to the player and association, at the discretion of the Technical Director. Explain.

Prior Soccer Experience:

Coach Providing Recommendation: *please attach letter

Name:	Phone:	Email:
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Other Comments:



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Centre Soccer Association (CSA) requires permission from a parent or guardian for any soccer player requesting to “play up” or “play down” in an age group. As part of PA West, CSA currently uses a soccer year that begins on August 1 of each year, and goes until the July 31 to determine a player’s age group.

PLAYING UP

I, as parent or guardian, am aware that my younger player will be playing against older, usually more physically and emotionally developed players whose soccer skills may be more advanced and whose play may be more physical.

As parent or guardian, I give my permission for my child
_____, _____ to play-up above his/her CSA stated age group.
NAME AGE

In granting my permission, I fully understand that my child could be injured while playing up.

PLAYING DOWN

I, as parent or guardian, am aware that my older player is being granted permission to play down, with players who maybe physically and emotionally less developed.

As parent or guardian, I give my permission for my child
_____, _____ to play-down from his/her CSA stated age group.
NAME AGE

I understand that CSA has the right to move my son or daughter back up if at anytime their play is potentially dangerous to the younger players in the league.

Before giving your child permission to play up or down, please consider your child’s maturity, size, coordination, muscular development, attitude and social development in comparison to the players he/she will be playing against by moving up or down.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Print Name

Date

Approved By:

CSA President

Print Name

Date

CSA Technical Director

Print Name

Date