



INTEGRITY SOCCER CLUB

Training Only Player Policy

There are occasions where Integrity Soccer Club will offer players spots as 'Training Only Player' on a team within our organization. The age group selected would be based on the environment that our Director of Coaching Staff feels is most appropriate for a player's individual development. Placement will be made based upon the skills displayed by a player or simply the number of players in a particular age group. This document outlines our 'Training Only Player' policy and sets the expectations our 'Training Only Players' can expect from Integrity Soccer Club. The mission and vision of our 'Training Only Player' program is to promote, support and foster a love of soccer while simultaneously developing and enhancing basic, intermediate and advanced soccer skill sets. Integrity Soccer Club believes that players develop most from our advanced and specialized training environment. Success is achieved through repetition and reinforcement by the player who is actively engaged. We believe that the expertise of our coaching staff and our training program will help the training players of today will develop the skills and create the desire to remain involved in our organization as a future rostered player.

1. The coaching staff of Integrity Soccer Club is committed to the training of all players equally - regardless of their status as 'training only player' or 'rostered player'.
2. The Integrity Soccer Club Director of Coaching (DOC) staff and individual team coaches will ensure players don't act negatively towards training players. All players are integral parts of our team and our organization works to increase the skill level of ALL players.
3. Due to Illinois Youth Soccer (IYSA) regulations, Training players will not be rostered on the teams that they practice with. Training Players are not included in the Illinois Youth Soccer Association (IYSA) roster.
4. Athletes in 'Training Only Player' status will not receive IYSA player cards and therefore are ineligible to play in IYSA or CIYSL sanctioned matches or tournaments.
 - a. However, these athletes will play in "friendly" scrimmages scheduled by the Integrity Soccer Club coaching staff or as determined by the team coach.
5. The training player commitment is for the entire season, unless alternative arrangements have been made with the Integrity Soccer Club DOC staff.
6. The DOC staff member has the discretion to determine whether or not a player is eligible to join a team as a rostered player in mid-season. This scenario would present itself most likely due to:
 - a. Observations of the training player's consistently increasing skills as observed by the coach or DOC staff.
 - b. The training player consistently applying those skills during regular practice sessions or 'friendly scrimmages' as observed by the coach or DOC staff.

- c. In conjunction with '6a' and '6b' above and a direct need as a result of a roster opening on the team during mid-season.
- 7. Fees for athletes in 'Training Only Player' status can be found in the player fee document on the website. The fee includes:
 - a. Participation in outdoor training/practice sessions those full time Integrity Soccer Club athletes participate in. This would include practice sessions with the team/skill development based on the coach's instructional plan for the practice session.
 - b. The option to participate in winter indoor training and other training regiments as developed by the Integrity Soccer Club staff. This additional training would be at the same pricing structure available to current full time Integrity Soccer Club athletes.
- 8. While there are no express or implied guarantees that a player participating as a 'Training Only Player' for one year will automatically secure a roster spot on an age appropriate team the following year, it is our hope that all 'Training Only Players' will want to continue with the Integrity Soccer Club program because of the interest created as a result of our training environment. As such, these players are invited to participate in team tryouts as all Integrity athletes do. It is also understood that all player placements will be based on the player's skill level and work rate during tryouts.
- 9. IYSA insurance policies do not cover athletes who are not on an official IYSA team roster. The individual player's familial major medical coverage or other available health care coverage would be the primary coverage available. Under no circumstances will Integrity Soccer Club, it's staff, trainers or coaches, or Board of Directors be responsible for expenses related to injuries. For any questions on the Integrity Soccer Club 'Training Only Player' policy, contact the Integrity Director of Coaching for Boys or Girls.