

FAQs: South U4-U10 Recreational Program

We want to thank you for registering your child for the Fall 2024 Recreational Season. Please take a few moments to read the content below.

Important Dates

- Aug 31: Registration Closes
- Sept 1-7: Team formation/rosters posted in PlayMetrics
- Sept 11-14: Pre-season coaches meeting*
- Sept 15: Game schedule posted in PlayMetrics
- Sept 16: Practices begin
- Sept 20: South Skills Development Program begins (optional)
- Sept 23-Nov 7: Director-lead ball mastery sessions begin (first 15 minutes of practice time)
- Sept 21: Opening day of games
- Nov 9: Final day of games
- Nov 16: Rainout date/ HTX South Recreational Jamboree

* Coaches meeting information will be sent to all coaches once confirmed

PlayMetrics

This is our method of communicating all rosters, schedules and club events during the season, for all players in every program club wide. Please <u>Download the PlayMetrics App</u>. Use the same login created upon registration of your child(ren).

Click HERE - How to Use PlayMetrics (Video Tutorial)

Who is on my team?

Registration closes on August 31. You will be notified of your child(ren)'s team assignment(s) via **PlayMetrics** no later than **Sept 7**. If you have not heard from your coach by then, please contact your respective director:

- CLEAR LAKE: John Slaughter <u>clearlake@htxsoccer.com</u>
- FRIENDSWOOD: Reece Winters <u>friendswood@htxsoccer.com</u>
- LEAGUE CITY: Stephanie Middlebrooks leaguecity@htxsoccer.com

When is our team practice?

Team practices can begin the week of Monday, September 16.

- U4 (2021): Saturdays 9:00 to 10:00AM (Practice followed by a game)
- U5/6 (2020/2019): Will be loaded in PlayMetrics once confirmed with coaches
- U7/8 (2018/2017): Monday and Wednesday 5:30 6:30 PM
- U9/10 (2016/2015): Tuesday and Thursday 5:30 6:45 PM

When are Games?

Games begin **September 21**. The schedule will be released by **September 15**. This will be synced to your calendar in PlayMetrics.

How do I get a uniform?

For uniform information & purchasing, <u>click here.</u> These uniforms will be good through the end of the Spring of 2025 season.

What if my uniform doesn't arrive on time?

If your uniform doesn't arrive before the first game, you can wear a shirt in the correct color scheme your official jersey arrives.

What other equipment do I need?

Below is what we recommend, other than the uniform:

- Soccer Cleats or Turf Shoes
- Soccer Ball (size chart below)
- Shin Guards (must be covered by long soccer socks)
- Large Water Bottle
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What size ball do I need?

- <u>Size 3:</u> Players born 2021-2017
- <u>Size 4</u>: Players born 2016-2013
- <u>Size 5</u>: Players born 2012 and older

Volunteers

The HTX Soccer Recreational program is a volunteer-based program with each team **requiring at least ONE volunteer coach**, two are preferred. Volunteer coaches are directed and guided by a team of dedicated professional staff.

Requirements

- Conduct weekly team practices at one of the club approved facilities
 - U4: Saturday morning practice followed by a game
 - **U5-U6:** 1 mid-week practice (coaches choose day)
 - U7-U10: 2 mid-week practices (U7/U8 Mon/Wed, U9/U10 Tues/Thurs)
- Coach 1 game per week
- Point of contact for team parents (or have a team manager)
- Complete a background check

Tournament Opportunities

- Winter Break Cup
 - o Dec 14 & 15
 - o South Locations
 - Cost varies per age group team is divided among rostered players
- Winter Blast 3v3
 - o Dec 14
 - o The Woodlands
 - Cost varies per age group team is divided among rostered players
- <u>5v5 Copa Sienna</u>
 - o Jan 11
 - o Sienna Plantation
 - o Cost varies per age group team is divided among rostered players