



Date: May 9, 2019

RE: Early Club Commitment Provision

Effective Immediately for the 2019/2020 year on a trial basis

Premise: The Early Club Commitment provision is intended to relieve the stress and discomfort experienced by players and families as a result of the “tryout” process. Clubs and coaches are prohibited from using the early club commitment provision to pressure players and families to commit to the club in order to keep the player and their family from seeking an alternate place to play. Using the early club commitment provision in a way that adversely affects the player(s) or player’s family, is strongly prohibited and can result in the suspension of a club’s future use of the early club commitment provision.

The Early Club Commitment Provision allows for a player, who is currently registered with a club, to commit to play for that same club for the upcoming seasonal year prior to the published tryout date and on, or after the published early commitment date; both of which will be published by the Indiana Soccer Association for the upcoming year, i.e. for the Fall 2019/Spring 2020 seasonal year, the first day of Early Commitment is Wednesday, May 1st, 2019.

To secure an early club commitment, the player, if 18 years old or older or the player’s guardian, if the player is 17 years old or younger, must:

- Sign a commitment form provided by the club.
- Pay a deposit (minimum of \$25) to the club.

The player or player’s guardian who entered into the early club commitment may choose to be released from the early commitment by providing a written request for release from the club with whom the early commitment was established. Such written request for release must be submitted to the club’s board of directors and the Indiana Soccer Registrar prior to Indiana Soccer’s published tryout date. Absent of a timely provided written release request, the player may not tryout for another club. The email address for the Indiana Soccer Registrar is [amber@soccerindiana.org](mailto:amber@soccerindiana.org)

The dates for early commitment release, for the Fall 2019/Spring 2020 seasonal year must be received prior to:

- June 3, 2019, 11:59pm, EST for players 10U & younger.
- June 9, 11:59pm, EST for players 11U & older players.

It is the responsibility of the club to track early commitments by their players. They must be able to prove there is:

- A signed commitment form (electronic or hand written signature)
- Minimum deposit received.