

Berkeley Soccer Association

Policy 07-01

Player Try Outs

APPLICABILITY: The Berkeley Soccer Association (BSA) policy applies to all administrators, coaches and players that participate within the BSA.

POLICY STATEMENT: Mandatory try outs will take place annually for players moving from U8 turning U9 and from U11 turning U12. This will apply to both boys and girls. If there are not sufficient numbers of players in a particular age group, the BSA Executive Board may waive this requirement.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. BSA Executive Board

a. As a member of the Executive Board, the Head Coach will ensure that this policy is enforced as stated or amended by the majority of the applicable Executive Board.

b. The Executive Board will consider all questions, exceptions and challenges to this policy within 10 business days. A quorum of Board members is required to make final judgments.

c. The Board will make arrangement to facilitate try outs. Try outs will be conducted by independent assessment with as much player anonymity as possible.

d. In addition to the independent assessment, the prior coach(s) of individual players will be asked to assess the commitment level of the player. Commitment level is assessed in terms of attendance at practices, games and other official team events.

e. Will publicize the dates, times and locations of all try outs in an effort to include the maximum participation.

f. The Board will appoint coaches for the U8 turning U9 teams and the U11 turning U12 teams. Appointment of coaches will come after the tryouts are concluded.

2. Coaches

a. Will ensure that their current roster of players is informed of the procedures and timing of all scheduled try outs.

b. May request a special try out at a specific age group for which he or she is currently coaching. The request to conduct a tryout will be heard and adjudicated by the Executive Board in accordance with item 1b.

3. Players

Will participate in the try outs and adhere to the decisions emanating from the try out process.

This policy will remain in place until modified or eliminated by the Berkeley Soccer Association Executive Board.