

## Tryout Process U9 –U12 Teams

- All teams will have 2 tryouts.
- All players are strongly encouraged to attend both tryouts. Attendance at one tryout is mandatory unless there is a significant and pre-approved excusal.
- All tryouts will be posted on our website.
- Tryouts for teams U9-U12 will be evaluated by the independent RBNY trainers (“Trainers”)

### The Tryout

- The coaches for each age group will not interact with the trainers during the tryout.
  - The coaches will participate in welcoming the players, collecting forms, signing players up and distributing tryout #s
    - Forms must include Medical release, EPYSA registration form, Birth Certificate(if not returning player) & 1x1 picture
    - Sign-up sheet will have #, Name, Phone, email DOB, Parents name
    - Trainers will only get #s not names or any additional info
  - Once the tryout has begun the coaches will not interact with the players
  - The coaches (head coaches only) will take a position on the opposite side of the field and compile their own tryout evaluation and rankings
- Coaches from 1 age group up (“facilitators”) will be responsible for facilitating the tryout.
  - The coach (age group coordinator for the tryout) is responsible for contacting the facilitators and making sure there will be adequate coverage – we should try to get at least 2 facilitators per tryout.
  - The facilitator(s) will assist the Trainer setting up teams, handling substitutes if required, setting up grids etc.
    - The facilitators will not coach and will not evaluate

### The Selection Process

- After both tryouts are complete the Trainers will rank the players and turn this into VP of Travel
  - Rankings will include the scores and comments on players
  - If the VP of Travel is involved in the age Group forms will go to the VP of coaching
- After both tryouts the Coach (age group coordinator) will email the VP of Travel with their rankings and the number of players desired on the A team (Team#) based on the number of players that attended tryouts.
- Based on the trainer rankings the VP of Travel will provide the coach the list of players ranked by the Trainers that would equal the Team#. (“Trainers Selection”)
- The A team coach will not see the Trainers detailed ratings, rankings and comments yet.
- The A team coach will be responsible for selecting the team.
  - The coach will write an email selecting the players for the team.
  - If the coach selects players that are not in the Trainers Selection the coach will provide an explanation (2-3 sentences) of why they have selected that player and an explanation for the player not being selected.
  - The A team coach must send this email within 48 hours
- A committee (VP Travel, VP Coaching, and President) will review the email with the coach’s selection, the coach’s rankings and the Trainers rankings.
- The committee will respond (within 48 hours) to the email and indicate if they accept the coaches selection or require further information. The Trainers rankings, scores and comments will be provided to the coach at this time.

- If the committee requires further information or a clarification they will contact the coach and set up an in person or phone discussion.
- The in person and or phone discussion may be made by 1 member of the committee who will take the information back to the committee. The in person discussion will be scheduled within 48 hours.
- The committee and the coach will reach an agreement and the selection will be completed.
- After the "a" team is picked the cycle repeats for the B Team (if needed ie: if there is a C team)

### **Coaches Selection**

The selection of Coaches will take the same process that we have followed for the past 3 years. We will fully document this process.

### **Tryout Process U13 and older Teams**

If there are expected to be 2 or more teams at an age Group

- All teams will have 2 tryouts.
- All players are strongly encouraged to attend both tryouts. Attendance at one tryout is required. Most teams at this age are looking for players and therefore it must be noted that some players may be added subsequent to tryouts.
- All tryouts will be posted on our website.
- The Coaches at this level are not required to use independent evaluators.
  - A coach may request to use the independent Trainers. This requires club approval as there are substantial costs for the trainers.

If there are expected to be only 1 team at an age Group

- In many cases this team is looking for players and invites players to practice throughout the year.
- It is highly recommended that this team have an official tryout and that this be posted on our website.
- The Coaches at this level are not required to use independent evaluators.