



Calendar Year Registration

Objectives



From U.S. Soccer:

- Alignment with the international age groups
- Combat relative age effect
 - A selection bias towards players born earlier in the year because they are more physically mature than their peers
 - A balance of players born throughout the year is recommended
 - Allows for continued development of players who have yet to mature physically



Birth Year & Season Matrix



Season	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
BirthYear							
2019							U4
2018						U4	U5
2017					U4	U5	U6
2016				U4	U5	U6	U7
2015			U4	U5	U6	U7	U8
2014		U4	U5	U6	U7	U8	U9
2013	U4	U5	U6	U7	U8	U9	U10
2012	U5	U6	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11
2011	U6	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11	U12
2010	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11	U12	U13
2009	U8	U9	U10	U11	U12	U13	U14
2008	U9	U10	U11	U12	U13	U14	U15
2007	U10	U11	U12	U13	U14	U15	U16
2006	U11	U12	U13	U14	U15	U16	U17
2005	U12	U13	U14	U15	U16	U17	U18
2004	U13	U14	U15	U16	U17	U18	U19
2003	U14	U15	U16	U17	U18	U19	
2002	U15	U16	U17	U18	U19		
2001	U16	U17	U18	U19			
2000	U17	U18	U19				
1999	U18	U19					
1998	U19						



Implementation



- United States Youth Soccer will adopt calendar year age groups for all programs for the 2016/2017 season.
- North Texas Soccer will also adopt calendar year age groups for the 2016/2017 season.