



Information Bulletin

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To: District Administrators, Presidents, Technical Directors

CC: OSA Board of Directors, Staff

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Subject: Matrix Adjustment - Memorable Event

Ongoing review and feedback from members has led to a slight adjustment in the Recreational and Development matrices that governs Grassroots soccer in Ontario.

This change will allow for increased flexibility in scheduling fixtures.

The Grassroots matrix adjustment will now allow U-11 and U-12 teams to participate in a memorable event during the same week as a scheduled league game or festival.

The memorable event explanation on the rear of matrix will now read;

U-11 and U-12 programs have the option of travelling to two (2) memorable events, for cultural experiences and learning. Travel time controls are waived for these 2 memorable events. At least one event must be LTPD compliant and within Ontario. U-11 and U-12 programs are permitted to use one of their memorable events to travel to an event venue of their choice. The one event selected must take place in Canada or the USA. This event may not meet all Development Matrix requirements. Please note that a memorable event does not count towards a players maximum competition days per week, but does count towards a player's maximum competitions per season.

This matrix change requires the approval of an Operational Procedures Change Request which will be completed for the annual Operational Procedures review and will come into effect for the Outdoor 2017 season once approved by the Executive Director with input provided by the OSA Board.

This notice is being sent prior to this approval in order to give Districts as much notice as possible for planning purposes.

If you have any questions on the matrix adjustment, please contact Bobby Lennox, Manager Player Development.