

Information Bulletin

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To: District Administrators, Presidents, Technical Directors

CC: OSA Board of Directors, Staff

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Subject: Player Recommendation Process for U-13, U-14 and U-15

The Ontario Soccer Association (OSA) High Performance Department has been working on the player recommendation process for ORNCA and OSA Membership Club's Technical Staff, whose U-13-U-15 have never attended a Provincial Screening Competition.

This is being done so that U-13, U-14 and U-15 players within Ontario will have the opportunity to be recommended by a certified and qualified OSA Membership Club Technical Director/Club Head Coach, District Technical Director or ORNCA Technical Director. To be considered qualified the recommender must have a valid Provincial B Licence or higher.

Player recommendations are allowed to be submitted online to the OSA High Performance Department during the recommendation window, of Aug. 2 – Sept. 16, 2016. The player recommendation process will involve the certified and qualified Technical Director/Club Head Coach, to view approximately 20 minutes of Ontario Provincial Team game footage so as to identify the jersey number of the Ontario Provincial Team Player whom they feel the recommended player is of the same or better skill.

There will be a checklist document that will need to be completed that will capture the information of the player and recommender. The checklist outlines the attributes and abilities of the recommended player, across the four-corner approach as per Canada Soccer's Long Term Player Development guidelines.

The recommender will also have the option to include a five minute video of the player competing in a game environment to support their recommendation documentation.

These documents will be reviewed by the OSA High Performance Staff and players who meet the standards will be extended an invitation into the upcoming Talent on Location Day (ToLD) event. A recommendation does not ensure an invite.

ToLD's are a one-day event that will take place on either a Saturday or Sunday at the Ontario Soccer Centre in September or October. Invited players will receive communication by e-mail directly from the OSA High Performance office. Should a player accept an invite to attend a ToLD, they will compete in an 11 v 11 game environment.

The OSA High Performance Technical Staff will observe their performance to determine what players will then be extended an invite into the November Provincial Screening Competition (PSC) event. While at the PSC, the player will compete with OPDL scouted players.

Before the player accepts an invite to attend the PSC, they should be aware of the criteria in OSA Information Bulletin I2016-008.



This option is the only one for a player to follow in order to be considered for provincial talent identification purposes.

Additional specific details will be shared with the OSA Membership in July and will outline specific dates, recommended player attributes and abilities, player notification and communication.

If you have any questions please contact Bryan Rosenfeld.