



NESL Online Registration Q & A

Registration fee, birth certificate, and a current picture (headshot, no filters, clean background) are required for your online registration to be processed completely.

Once a player is rostered to a team, fees are incurred by all outside entities. No refunds will be issued after the second week of the season. Any eligible refunds will be reduced to cover fees already paid out..

Our registration system accepts Visa, Mastercard, Discover, and American Express.

Players are registered based on their age. A player can play up but **cannot** play down. Example: A U7 player can play U10 at the parent and coaches discretion, but a U10 player cannot play down to U8. Refer to the Age Chart/Team Formation for year of birth.

Current rules state a player should not play up more than 2 years. Example: A U8 player may play on a U10 team, but will not be rostered on a U11 team.

NESL <u>recommends</u> players for the current season be at least 5 years old at the start of the fall season. <u>It is at the coaches discretion to accept players under the age of 5.</u> Parents of children younger than 5 years old need to understand that their child will play in the Under-5/6 age bracket.

It is important for parents to understand that some teams play competitively. Coaches of these teams have the right to control their own roster are not required to take new players.

Practice days, times, and location are at the coaches discretion and not managed by the league.

Some teams charge additional fees i.e. monthly membership fees, please check with your team's coach. Any additional fees charged and/or agreed upon are between the coach and the parent. It is not the business of the league.

In a sense, our registration rarely ends...only the # of games you get to play. We will stop registration for our current season when:

- Teams are full, or
- Playoffs are set to begin

NESL and PDN will continue to work together to create one city-wide schedule that provides a balanced competition for any age group where we do not have enough teams to play in-house.

For teams Under-10 and below: Brackets are normally created Under-5/6, Under-7/8, and Under-9/10 unless team counts justify keeping the ages separate.

Under-10 and below teams will be split into boys and girls brackets if there are enough teams to ensure a sufficient bracket, otherwise they are combined. Coed teams play in the boys brackets.

For teams Under-11 and above: Brackets are created based on number of teams registered. We will only combine age groups if necessary to ensure a sufficient bracket. Coed teams play in the boys brackets.





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Games are played at various parks throughout El Paso.

- When NESL has enough teams to create their own schedule, the younger ages (U5/6 U9/10) will normally play at Skyline Optimist Park on Yvette. U9/10 & Above teams will play at Joey Barraza & Vino Park (previously known as NE Regional) on McCombs.
- While running on a City-wide schedule, combined brackets will play at Joey Barraza & Vino and Blackie Chesher.

NESL Player Refund Policy

NO FULL REFUNDS WILL BE ISSUED AFTER THE SECOND WEEK OF THE SEASON (Regardless of if your team has started on time or not).

Prior to the second week of the season, refunds can be requested. However, refund amounts will be reduced if the player has already been rostered to a team. PARTIAL REFUNDS ISSUED FOR THE FALL SEASON WILL BE MINUS FEES WE HAVE PAID TO THE EL PASO PARKS DEPARTMENT AND OUR STATE ASSOCIATION. IN ADDITION TO UNIFORM COST FOR 5U-8U ONLY.

(MINUS \$30.00 FOR 5-8U + Uniform Cost) (MINUS \$40.00 FOR 10U-19U)

In the event that you chose to pay for both seasons (fall and spring) now and the player does not continue in the spring due to injury, relocation, or other reasons. It is the responsibility of the parent to notify Northeast Soccer League via email at neslsoccer@gmail.com no later than February 15, 2023 to request a refund for the spring season.

Requesting a refund can be completed by sending an email to neslsoccer@gmail.com with the player name, date of birth, and parent name.

Refunds will be processed electronically within 10 business days of receipt. Refunds are returned to the form of payment provided in the online registration.