



## **INFORMATION BULLETIN**

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To: Ontario Soccer; District Membership, Associate Members

CC: Ontario Soccer Board of Directors, Staff

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Subject: Club Licensing – Program and Resource Update

As we are all well into our 2022 Outdoor Season programming, we are providing an update on the Canada Soccer Club Licensing Program in Ontario.

A reminder that, as outlined in Information Bulletin <u>I2021-099</u>, Canada Soccer has announced that all member Clubs (inclusive of not-for-profit and for-profit organizations) **must hold a minimum Club Licence of "Quality Soccer Provider" by 2023**. As mandated by Canada Soccer, this requirement has been approved by Ontario Soccer's Board of Directors and can now be found within the <u>Operational Procedures</u>.

Clubs that have applied in 2022 or 2023 will be considered in compliance with this mandate if not formally approved by the start of the 2023 Outdoor Season.

In 2023, the Quality Soccer Provider level of Canada Soccer Club Licensing will be integrated into District Membership requirements. Further to the Quality Soccer Provider level, Ontario Soccer is announcing that applications for the "National Youth Club Licence" level will open again in 2023, for assessment through 2024 and potential in-take into the Ontario Player Development League (OPDL) for 2025.

Clubs who have yet to apply and are interested in a particular level of Canada Soccer Club Licensing are asked to review the standards required of the desired level which can be found online at <a href="https://www.ontariosoccer.net">www.ontariosoccer.net</a> to prepare their submissions in advance.

In consultation with the membership, Ontario Soccer recognizes that Clubs are working ardently to deliver and continually enhance their programming. To better support operations as Clubs look to meet the requirements of Club licensing, Ontario Soccer has made several Club Licensing resource support options available. For more information on the options available and the links to register, please visit <a href="https://www.ontariosoccer.net">www.ontariosoccer.net</a>.



If you have any further questions about the process or available resources, please contact <u>Matt</u> <u>Ferreira</u>.

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