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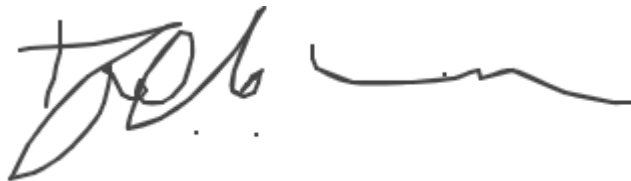
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Is this a new rule? **No**

Is this a rule amendment? **Yes**

What rule is being amended? 3.2.1.3

What section is being amended? c.

Rationale for submitting change? Soccer is the only sport in the state requiring registration a year in advance. At the younger ages kids/parents choose not to play soccer because of the long time-frame from registration to the actual season.

In addition, due to the tryout period being 2/3 of the way through summer vacation, clubs are not able to advertise within schools for competitive players like other sports are. By moving the date the younger players are bound to a club out to the end of October that gives clubs enough time to advertise within schools and still hold tryouts for those ages while weather is still acceptable outside. Parents will be more likely to think about the following summer once school starts than in mid-summer.

This also separates fall season registration from spring registration to reduce confusion. Other benefits include: reducing the amount of younger kids who register for soccer then choose not to play prior to season start, giving better tryout results by giving the kids 2-3 more months of practice/fall play prior to tryouts which could dramatically change new players results/skill level.

Existing Rule Language: copy verbatim as it appears in the rule.

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b. Member clubs may collect a separate tryout fee and may require a separate tryout registration form solely for the purposes of tryouts. This does not bind a player to the member club.

c. A registered player shall be bound to the club from the 8th day after the final game of the MYSA Summer State Championships until the published date of the final game of the following year's Summer State Championships.

Text of Proposed Amendment: you must underline language being removed, and new language must be in bold font.

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c. **Players 13U-19U:** A registered player shall be bound to the club from the 8th day after the final game of the MYSA Summer State Championships until the published date of the final game of the following year's Summer State Championships.

d. **Players 12U and younger:**

1. **Fall Season:** A registered player shall be bound to the club for the Fall Season from the 8th day after the final game of the MYSA Summer State Championships until the published date of the final game of the Fall State Championships.

2. **Remainder of Soccer Year:** A registered player shall be bound to the club for the Soccer Year from November 1 until the published date of the final game of the following year's Summer State Championships.

Final Text of Proposed Amendment: present the new or amended rule as it would look in the rules manual if it were to be adopted by the membership.

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