



# INFORMATION BULLETIN

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**To:** Ontario Soccer; District Membership and Associate Members  
**CC:** Ontario Soccer; Board of Directors, Staff  
**From:** Matt Ferreira, Director, Development  
**Subject:** REMINDER – Deadline Approaching for ToLD Player Recommendations for 2026 Provincial Xcel Program

Please note, the player recommendation process for the 2026 Provincial Xcel Program is now open and the deadline for recommendations from Technical Staff of Member Organizations is fast approaching for most age groups.

Please see the programs full details (including the deadlines and registration portal link) below, which were distributed in [Information Bulletin I2025-34](#) last month.

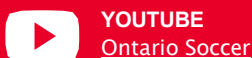
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The Ontario Soccer Provincial Xcel Program is opening the 2026 player recommendation process for Technical Staff of Member Organizations, which now appear on the [Ontario Soccer Website here](#).

## 2026 Provincial Xcel Program Age Groups & Birth Years

Age Grouping	Birth Year
Under 14 Boys	2012
Under 14 Girls	2012
Under 15 Boys	2011
Under 15 Girls	2011
Under 16 Boys	2010
Under 16 Girls	2010
Under 17 Boys	2009
Under 17 Girls	2009

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This will allow players in Ontario, currently participating outside the Talented Player Pathway (OPDL and League1 Ontario), to have an opportunity to be recommended by a qualified Ontario Soccer Member Organization's Head Coach or Technical Director.

To be considered as a qualified coach, they must have a minimum of a valid Concacaf or Canada Soccer National B Diploma OR Youth Licence OR a foreign equivalent. Submissions from non-qualified or certified coaches (i.e. Canadian National B Licence Trained) will not be considered.

Before beginning the process, it is highly recommended that the coach, player and parent read and understand the information on the Recommendation Process found on the [Ontario Soccer website](#).

After reviewing the submission guidelines online and requirements below, the online submission form can be accessed and completed online here: [2025 Talent on Location Day Player Recommendation Form | Ontario Soccer](#)

### Required with Recommendation

1. Coach Information: Name, Current Club, NCCP#, Primary Contact Email, etc.
  - a. Supporting Materials: Evidence of Licensing if not available on NCCP Locker
  - b. Coach must have an active Ontario Soccer Coaching Membership
2. Player Information: Name, Date of Birth, OS SEOS#, Current Club, Primary Contact Email, etc.
  - a. Supporting Materials
    - i. A minimum of one (1) full length match which meets the criteria in the [Match Standards and Recording Guide](#)
    - ii. Official Match Game Sheet and other Match Details
    - iii. Completed [OPDL Player OR Goalkeeper Assessment](#)
3. Payment:

To submit a report to be analyzed, a recommending coach will be prompted to pay a fee of \$75 per player per video. Please note, that coaches can submit more videos for a single player through a second unique submission, as well as recommend multiple players through a single video submission at the \$75 per player cost noted.

**Note:** Player recommendation packages submitted using the online process will be the only ones that will be reviewed. Incomplete or inaccurate packages will not be considered for review.

### U14 Match Analysis Review Process

The submitted video will be professionally tagged and analyzed by Major Sports Analysis (MSA), as the preferred Ontario Soccer Service Provider, with a report containing performance related statistics for each recommended player being generated in the process. Key Performance Indicators and Statistical Benchmarks will be compared to those within the OPDL to determine whether an invitation will be extended to each player. The Ontario Soccer Provincial Xcel Program will review the player recommendation packages as a whole and assess if the player should receive an invite to the Provincial Screening Competition held in 2026.

### U15, U16 & U17 Match Analysis & Review Process

The submitted video will be professionally tagged and analyzed by Major Sports Analysis (MSA), as the preferred Ontario Soccer Service Provider, with a report containing performance related statistics for each

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### **U15, U16 & U17 In-Person Told Screening Event - September 27 & 28, 2025**

Players who are successful in the online recommendation process for U15, U16 & U17 age groups will be invited to an in-person screening event scheduled for September 27 & 28, 2025. This event will be run exclusively for the players selected from the ToLD Player Recommendation Process requiring a pre-registration and payment of \$125. Players who are successful in this stage will then be extended an invitation to participate in the 2026 Provincial Screening Competition.

**Date:** September 27 & 28, 2025

**Location:** Zanchin Automotive Soccer Centre (7601 Martin Grove Road, Vaughan L4L 9E4)

### **Player Recommendation Deadline**

The recommending coach is to submit the completed online package by, or before, the closing date listed below for the respective 2026 Age groups and Birth years through the form here as per the following deadlines:

**U14 Deadline: October 3, 2025 at 11:59 pm**

**U15, U16 & U17 Deadline: August 29, 2025 at 11:59 pm**

### **Provincial Screening Competition**

Players and their recommending coach will be contacted by the Provincial Xcel Program if selected to participate. The Provincial Screening Competition (PSC) takes place annually from late February to early April. Dates are [posted on our website](#) and communicated via Information Bulletin to Ontario Soccer Members once confirmed.

The email to the invited players will contain additional details (i.e. report time) and any other documentation that will need to be completed prior to the event. These documents will be submitted when completing the online registration prior to attending the PSC.

The Provincial Screening Competition will take place at the *Zanchin Automotive Soccer Centre*, formerly known as the Ontario Soccer Centre, 7601 Martin Grove Road, Vaughan L4L 9E4, on a full-size indoor turf field.

If you have any questions regarding the submission process, please contact the Ontario Soccer Provincial Xcel Team at [provincialxcel@ontariosoccer.net](mailto:provincialxcel@ontariosoccer.net).

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