## WDDOA 2025-2026 Flight Structure



The recurring approved WDDOA Flight Structure is detailed below.

- WDDOA Flight 1 PRIME (Highest Level Playing Neutral Site Model)
- WDDOA Flight 2 CHALLENGER (Mid-Level Choice of Neutral Site vs Home & Away Model)
- WDDOA Flight 3 ALPHA (Entry Level Playing Home & Away Model)

The WDDOA flight structure is designed to foster the most competitive and exciting soccer environment within the Western District, benefiting both players and parents. At the same time, it provides the flexibility clubs and teams need to shape the future of soccer on and off the field. Below is a brief description of the flight structure, offering a high-level overview of how each flight functions within WDDOA:

# WDDDOA FLIGHT 1 PRIME

- Full Seasonal Year Scheduling excluding the U11Boys: 2 sets of games, Set 1 (Fall) and Set 2 (Spring).
- Mandatory Scheduling Meetings held virtually from August 8-12, 2025.
- WDDOA Neutral Site Scheduling Model
- WDDOA Neutral Site Games and Referees scheduled by WDDOA
- Rainout Reschedules automated after a designated team input period
- Promotion/Relegation system in place: top team gets promoted to SCL; bottom teams are relegated to WDDOA Flight 2 Challenger. See Flight Qualification below for full details
- All participating players must be registered with WDDOA

# WDDOA FLIGHT 2 HALLENGER

- Full Seasonal Year Scheduling (excluding U11 Boys teams).
- Mandatory Scheduling Meetings held virtually from August 8-12, 2025 \*Some exclusions may apply
- Flexible scheduling structure to accommodate club preference: WDDOA Neutral Site or Club Home & Away. Games are scheduled based on the Home Team choice
- Rainout reschedule process depends on the chosen Scheduling Model
- WDDOA Neutral Site Games are labeled with "Neutral" before the home team name in the online schedule
- WDDOA schedules the Neutral Site Games and the Referees while Home Clubs schedule the Home & Away Games and the Referees
- Promotion/Relegation system in place: top teams get promoted to WDDOA Flight 1 –
  Prime; bottom teams are relegated to WDDOA Flight 3 Alpha. See Flight Qualification
  below for full details
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- Full Seasonal Year Scheduling (excluding U11 and U12 teams).
- U11 and U12 will play two sets of games, Set 1 (Fall) and Set 2 (Spring) with brackets restructured between sets into competitive brackets (Based on Fall Final Standings)
- Home & Away Scheduling Model Online Scheduling through Chat and email, Home Club Field Assigner / Admin places games in GotSport
- Rainout Reschedules are achieved through GS Chat, email, phone, and final submission to WDDOA for official schedule update in online schedule.
- WDDOA Travel Model applies for teams based on closest Local Associations (NOT CLUBS) located further than 150 miles apart. The Home team coordinates scheduling at Offsite Travel Complexes in San Antonio or Corpus Christi areas.
- Promotion/Relegation system in place: top teams get promoted to WDDOA Flight 2 –
   Challenger; bottom teams are relegated to Local Association Div 2 Leagues. See Flight Qualification below for full details
- The STYSA Fall Division 2 Western District Championship Finalists get promoted into Alpha
- All participating players must be registered with WDDOA

### WDDOA Flight Qualification



The Under 11 Age Group is Open Entry.

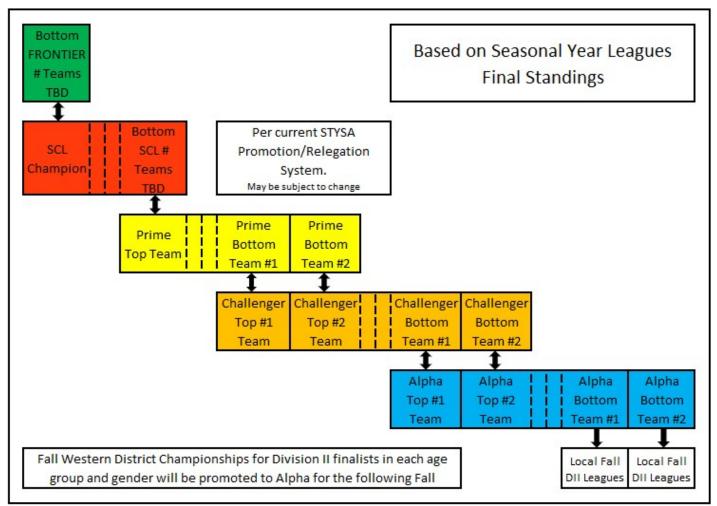
#### 1. Promotion/Relegation U12 through U19

Promotion/Relegation is achieved through an up and down system among flights.

- Top finishing team in Prime moves up to SCL (U14 to U19 only).
- The bottom 2 teams in Prime switch places with the top 2 teams in Challenger.
- The bottom 2 teams in Challenger switch places with the top 2 teams in Alpha.
- The bottom 2 teams in Alpha are relegated to Division 2.
- Flights with multiple brackets are ranked High to Low alphabetically. A is higher than B which is higher than C. Promotion/Relegation occurs among the brackets. Only top teams from bracket A automatically move up to the next flight up.
- Promotion/Relegation may be achieved in a more upward motion: no more than 2 teams relegated to a lower level, but more than 2 teams can be promoted in order to even out the bracket and create parity in the number of games among the teams in the same age group.
- No Contest games do not count toward final standings and will be removed prior to pre-qualification determination.

#### 2. Qualification from Division 2

STYSA Fall Western District Championships for Division 2 finalists in each age group and gender will be promoted to Alpha for the following Fall.



#### 3. Requests for Consideration

2026/2027: Prime and Challenger RFCs may be restricted / based on available spots only. There are **no refunds**.

Application, submission, and payment deadlines are published at www.wddoa.org in "Important Dates".