



Competitive (Travel/Carded) Player Fact Sheet

Must Be Read/Reviewed by Parents Prior to Tryouts

Prior to trying out for a competitive (travel) team within TRSA, all parents are required to read this worksheet. It will give you the information you need to help in your decision to allow (or not allow) your child to tryout in an attempt to become a TRSA travel team player.

It is the hope that this sheet will better help to make parents and players understand the commitment, both in time and money that it takes to become a competitive team player within our club. Parents as well as players must make a commitment to the team and are expected to support their children in the endeavors as detailed here. This should also alleviate the questions that parents, players and coaches' have as the team gets ready for the following season. (Although) all travel team players should receive "some" playing time, the amount of (such) time shall be earned, and be based on merit, commitment and attendance --as determined by the travel team coaching staff. Listed below are the commitments of the travel team player. If you feel that this commitment is not in your (or your child's) best interest, there will still be a place within TRSA (**U11 players are travel only**) for your child to play. They will be placed on a rec level team for the following year. They would still have the option of trying out at a future club sponsored tryout. **Should your child be chosen for a travel team, the following commitments will be necessary for your child and the team to compete at the highest possible level according to their ability.**

Time Commitments

- ... **Training/practice Sessions:** a minimum of two each week. They are usually 60 to 90 minutes in length and start approximately six weeks prior to the season's first game.
- ... **Games:** Each season will consist of 10 games spread out over a 10 week season.
- ... **Scrimmages:** Teams often scrimmage 2 or 3 times per season. This is usually in addition to the normal twice weekly practice sessions.
- ... **Summer Camps:** This is up to the individual team but teams may require players to attend a summer team camp in preparation for the fall season.
- ... **Tournaments:** Teams usually go to two tournaments each season. Normally, tournaments are held over a two day period and usually coincide with a holiday such as Thanksgiving, Labor Day or Memorial Day. The exact tournaments chosen are up to the individual teams.

Monetary Commitments (Approximately \$550 to \$600 per year)

- ... **Registration:** All players, whether Travel or Recreational pay the same amount. The cost is \$175. This includes 50-\$1 pre-paid raffle tickets. If you sell the raffle tickets, the \$50 is yours to keep for a net registration fee of \$125.
- ... **Uniforms:** The club is outfitted solely by Adidas. The travel team uniform package will cost approximately \$57.00 w/1 pair socks) and will include two Adidas Jerseys, one pair of Adidas Shorts and pair of Adidas socks. These should last the player for two full years before needing to be replaced because of size.
- ... **Trainer's Fees:** It is mandatory club policy that all competitive (travel/carded) teams from U-8 through U-12 have a Celtic trainer conduct one session per week for 10 weeks throughout each of the fall and spring seasons. The cost for this will be approximately \$150 per player per year. This will include the weekly training sessions plus the new transition training program for U10 travel players going to U11.
- ... **Tournaments:** Travel teams typically attend 3 or 4 tournaments per year. The breakdown is usually 2 in the fall and 2 in the spring. The cost should be in the range of \$100 per player per year.
- ... **Summer Camps:** Although not usually mandatory, the cost of attending a team camp for one week will be approximately \$150 for a five day / full day camp.
- ... **Indoor (Winter) leagues, tournaments and training:** These activities vary greatly team to team. Some teams take off during the winter months while others play nearly every week. It is purely up to the coach and the team. The costs of each will be discussed with you by the coach depending on the activities chosen.