

Traveling Soccer Information - ALYSA

Ways to stay informed: Parents can get club information, download forms, explore links and look at photos on our Facebook organization page: *Albert Lea Youth Soccer*. The club may also be contacted, or a request for forms be submitted, by email at alyouthsoccer@gmail.com.

About the Albert Lea Youth Soccer Association: Albert Lea Youth Soccer Association (ALYSA) is a volunteer organization committed to the development of youth soccer in the Albert Lea Area. We are proud to be a parent-run organization. We rely on parent/adult participation to succeed in our goal of offering an excellent soccer program.

Parent-Involvement Deposit Check and Requirements: At the time of registration you will be asked to sign up for a parent job. A separate \$50 check for each player dated July 15, 2012 is due at time of registration. It will be returned to you at the end of the season on the condition that you have assisted with the running of your child's team or the club (approximately 4 hours of participation per player). There is a family cap of Parent-Involvement Fees at two \$50 checks per family: \$100=8 hours participation.

REQUIRED EQUIPMENT FOR ALL PLAYERS

1. Uniform: Players aged 11 and up are required to buy a game uniform from ALYSA. The uniform includes 2 game jerseys (home and away), game shorts, and game socks. The cost of the uniform is \$45. The uniform is the player's to keep, and may be used from year to year until outgrown or in need of replacement. Game jerseys are provided for players aged 10 and under. U-10 players independently purchase their own black shorts and white socks for games, however.

2. Practice Gear: Shin guards and soccer cleats are required for practices and games and are purchased independently by the family. Baseball/football/metal spikes are not allowed. Previously-owned cleats sometimes are available through the coach or the club. Please inquire about sizes at registration. Players are encouraged, but not required, to bring their own soccer ball to practices.

3. Water Bottle: Players need to bring a water bottle to every practice and game.

US Youth Soccer Fall 2011 – Summer 2012 Birth Date Guidelines

U9	8-1-02 to 7-31-03	U14	8-1-97 to 7-31-98
U10	8-1-01 to 7-31-02	U15	8-1-96 to 7-31-97
U11	8-1-00 to 7-31-01	U16	8-1-95 to 7-31-96
U12	8-1-99 to 7-31-00	U17	8-1-94 to 7-31-95
U13	8-1-98 to 7-31-99	U18	8-1-93 to 7-31-94
		U19	8-1-92 to 7-31-93

Team Formation: Teams are formed based on numbers of enrolled players and availability of coaches. Age groups may have to be combined. Age groups with sufficient numbers may have tryouts for team placement. All placements of younger players on older age-group teams will be at the discretion of the ALYSA Board.

Scholarships: Families in need of financial assistance should contact their school social worker directly by March 1st. Limited funds are available. ALYSA does not offer scholarships.

