



NFYSA New Club Membership Application Requirements

The minimum application requirements of the North Fraser Youth Soccer Association (“NFYSA”) for new club membership in the NFYSA are set out below. The requirements are taken from the BC Soccer Youth District Association Standards for New Club Membership Applications (“BC Soccer Standards”), amended as permitted by the BC Soccer Standards.

1. Benefit to Soccer

The Applicant (“Applicant”) will provide a detailed description of the organization and basis for membership. The Applicant needs to establish how its entry into membership will benefit soccer and grow the game in the geographical area that the NFYSA governs by providing increased opportunities to players, addition of new resources and/or new programming. An Applicant must also be able to demonstrate that it will uphold the integrity of the game and operate in a sound manner that is in accordance with the NFYSA.

2. Organizational Status and Proof of Registration

The Applicant will provide proof of registration with the province of British Columbia as a registered society, sole proprietor, partnership and/or incorporation (whichever is applicable).

3. Governing Documentation

The Applicant will provide its most recent, member approved, Constitution and Bylaws and/or equivalent documentation stating the organization’s principles, purpose and how decisions are made.

4. Listing of Association/Club Officials

The Applicant will include the names of its executive officers and/or directors with a description of their role and responsibilities within the organization and contact information (email and phone number).

5. Commitment to Registering Players

A. The Applicant will agree in writing to register a minimum of 80 youth players. (A player is any youth registered with the new club who is participating in any sanctioned soccer activity, such as supplementary training, and does not have to include league play). For purposes of the initial application, players moving in mass from other club teams (i.e. more than 50% of the team’s registered players) may not be considered in the 80 minimum registered player count. The player registration minimum only applies to Applicant’s who seek full membership in the NFYSA.

Proof of player registration must be provided no more than 30 days after approval of the Application. Continued membership will be subject to the Applicant meeting these requirements and membership will be rescinded if the Applicant is unable to meet the required registration numbers within the stated timeline. Clubs whose Applications are rescinded may require additional proof of the ability to secure members (registered players) should they make application again in the future. The Applicant will agree in writing that it must maintain a minimum of 80 registered youth players for every future year of membership.

- B. A minimum number of players must be new registrants to soccer: New club applicants must have new players (i.e. Players that have not been registered with BC Soccer or an affiliated organization within the past year). The minimum number of new players that is require of the applicant is 30% of the registration requirement set by NFYSA.

6. Commitment to Non-Discrimination and Inclusive Programming

The Applicant will provide policies aligned with the NFYSA and BC Soccer regarding non-discrimination. The Applicant must deliver male and female programming and be inclusive to individuals regardless of where an individual identifies on the gender spectrum.

7. Commitment to Financial Strength, Responsibility and Transparency

The Applicant will:

- Provide a minimum Notice to Reader financial statements annually after acceptance.
- Provide a budget for their organization's next two fiscal years.
- Provide a bond of \$10,000
- Acknowledge that 50% of the Bond will be returned at the end of a successful completion of the first year of membership and the remainder returned after the successful completion of the second year of membership.
- Agree in writing that if the Applicant and/or its officials within are sanctioned for misconduct, some or all of the Bond may not be returned.

8. Proof of Organizational Readiness and Vision

The Applicant will provide the following:

- a Business Plan and/or Operations Plan
- a Technical Plan.

9. Commitment to Safe Sport and Ethical Conduct

The Applicant will provide the following:

- Risk Management Policy
- Privacy Policy
- Discipline and Ethics Policy
- Code of Conducts for players, coaches, parents and club officials
- The name and contact information (email and phone numbers) of the Applicant's Risk Management Officer.
- A copy of Association Official bios and resumes including applicable coaching and/or referee certifications.

- Confirmation that the Applicant's executive/officers have completed a Vulnerable Sector Check or Enhanced Police Information Check by a provider acceptable by BC Soccer.

10. Commitment to Compliance and Friendly Relations

The Applicant will:

- Agree in writing to adhere to the bylaws, rules and regulations, policies and directives of the Youth District Association and its governing bodies.
- Agree in writing not to accept entire teams moving from any other club member (in or outside of the Youth District Association where membership is being sought).

11. Confirmation of Field Space

The Applicant will provide proof that it has access to fields that are safe for training and match play. If the Applicant's fields are acquired directly from a local municipality, a letter of support from the municipality or proof of field rentals is required.

12. Restriction of Eligibility for Highest Level Programming

The Applicant will acknowledge in writing that:

- Its teams will not be eligible to apply for NFYSA's District's (Metro) highest-level programming for one year unless another full member of the NFYSA does not put forward a high-level team for the same gender and age.
- The Applicant's teams must adhere to all BCCSL rules and regulations.

In order to be considered for membership in the NFYSA, an Applicant must complete the NFYSA new membership form at:

<https://www.nfysa.ca/resources>

and provide the following additional information:

1. A copy of your organization's Incorporation Certificate, Current Constitution and Bylaws.
2. Attach a list of minimum 80 players that will be registering with your club.
3. Provide any additional information that your organization feels would be relevant to its application for membership in the NFYSA.

Please note that your organization will be invited to one (1) or more interviews in connection with this Application.

Applications should be forwarded to the attention of the NFYSA Membership Committee, via Email to chair@nfysa.ca.

Deadline is January 15 for an application to start play the following August/September playing season.



NFYSA Associate Membership Application Requirements

The NFYSA Associate (or Limited) Membership designation is to support for profit entities and is:

- a non-voting member of the district
- able to offer supplemental training
- able to participate in sanctioned tournaments

- associate members retain the right to apply for full club membership in the future. Associate (or Limited) Members of Youth District Associations are not able to participate in any sanctioned league and/or sanctioned competition play including BC Soccer Provincial Championships. All players, regardless of membership category, must register with BC Soccer via the Youth District Association.

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3. Listing of Association/Club Officials

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4. Commitment to Financial Strength, Responsibility and Transparency

The Applicant will:

- Provide a minimum Notice to Reader financial statements annually after acceptance.
- Provide a budget for their organization's next two fiscal years.
- Provide a minimum bond of \$5,000
- Acknowledge that 50% of the Bond will be returned at the end of a successful completion of the first year of membership and the remainder returned after the successful completion of the second year of membership.
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7. Provide an annual district fee of \$500

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