

Addendum to the LHGCL Rules for 2024-25 Soccer Year

Maximum Number of Teams in Each Age Group

AGE GROUP	(PRE-)ELITE	DIVISION I	DIVISION II	
11U	20	10	X	
12U	10	10	20	
13U	20	9	10	
14U	10	10	18	
15U	10	16	X	
16U	10	10	X	
17U	7	10	X	
18/19U Red	9	X	X	
18/19U Blue	10	X	X	

* The number of teams in the 18/19U divisions will vary based on the number of byes claimed and the number of teams moving into 18/19U. The division placement is at the discretion of the LHGCL board of directors to create the best competitive environment.

Playing Formats

11U

Each team in Pre-Elite Division will play the other teams in their division once during the soccer year.

Each team in Division I will play the other teams in their division twice during the soccer year.

Champion awards will be presented to the top team in each division based on total points earned throughout the entire soccer year.

Based on final standings, relegation/promotion for the following soccer year will be detailed below.

12U

Each team in Pre-Elite Division will play the other teams in their division twice during the soccer year.

Each team in Division I will play the other teams in their division twice during the soccer year.

Each team in Division II will play the other teams in their division once during the soccer year.

Champion awards will be presented to the top team in each division based on total points earned throughout the entire soccer year.

Based on final standings, relegation/promotion for the following soccer year will be detailed below.

13U

Each team in Elite Division will play the other teams in their division once during the soccer year.

Each team in Division I will play the other teams in their division twice during the soccer year.

Each team in Division II will play the other teams in their division twice during the soccer year.

Champion awards will be presented to the top team in each division based on total points earned throughout the entire soccer year.

Based on final standings, relegation/promotion for the following soccer year will be detailed below.

14U

Each team in Elite Division will play the other teams in their division twice during the soccer year.

Each team in Division I will play the other teams in their division twice during the soccer year.

Each team in Division II will play the other teams in their division once during the soccer year.

Champion awards will be presented to the top team in each division based on total points earned throughout the entire soccer year.

Based on final standings, relegation/promotion for the following soccer year will be detailed below.

15U

Each team in Elite Division will play the other teams in their division twice during the soccer year.

Each team in Division I will play the other teams in their division once during the soccer year.

Champion awards will be presented to the top team in each division based on total points earned throughout the entire soccer year.

Based on final standings, relegation/promotion for the following soccer year will be detailed below.

16U

Each team in Elite Division will play the other teams in their division twice during the soccer year.

Each team in Division I will play the other teams in their division twice during the soccer year.

Champion awards will be presented to the top team in each division based on points earned throughout the entire soccer year.

Based on final standings, relegation/promotion for the following soccer year will be detailed below.

17U

Each team in Elite Division will play the other teams in their division three during the soccer year.

Each team in Division I will play the other teams in their division twice during the soccer year.

Champion awards will be presented to the top team in each division based on points earned throughout the entire soccer year.

Based on final standings, relegation/promotion for the following soccer year will be detailed below.

18/19U

Each team in Elite Divisions will play the other teams in their division twice during the soccer year.

Champion awards will be presented to the top team in each division based on total points earned throughout the entire soccer year.

Based on final standings, relegation/promotion for the following soccer year will be detailed below.

Promotion/Relegation/Byes

All Age Groups

Teams will be ranked at the end of the regular season using the method described in the LHGCL Rules Section IV, I, 1-5.

Spots available in the league via application are dependent on the number of returning teams claiming their byes. The division sizes listed below are predicated on all teams claiming their byes and returning to GCL for the 2025-26 season.

11U

Pre-Elite = 20 Teams

1st thru 10th place earn a BYE and remain in Pre-Elite

11th thru 18th place earn a BYE into DI

19th & 20th place earn a BYE into DII

DI = 10 Teams

1st & 2nd place earn a BYE and are promoted into DI

3rd thru 8th place earn a BYE into DII

9th and 10th place must reapply

12U

Pre-Elite = 10 Teams

1st thru 8th place earn a BYE into Elite

9th & 10th place earn a BYE into DI

DI = 10 Teams

1st & 2nd place earn a BYE and are promoted into Elite

3rd thru 8th place earn a BYE and remain in DI

9th & 10th place earns a BYE into DII

DII = 20 Teams

1st & 2nd place earn a BYE and are promoted into DI

3rd thru 14th place earn a BYE and remain in DII

15th thru 20th place must reapply

13U

Elite = 20 Teams

1st thru 18th place earn a BYE and remain in Elite

19th thru 20th place earn a BYE into DI

DI = 9 Teams

1st & 2nd place earn a BYE and are promoted into Elite

3rd thru 8th place earn a BYE and remain in DI

9th place earns a BYE into DII

DII = 10 Teams

1st & 2nd place earn a BYE and are promoted into DI

3rd thru 6th place earn a BYE and remain in DII

7th thru 10th place must reapply

14U

Elite = 10 Teams

1st thru 8th place earn a BYE and remain in Elite

9th & 10th place earn a BYE into DI

DI = 10 Teams

1st & 2nd place earn a BYE and are promoted to Elite

3rd thru 8th place earn a BYE and remain in DI

9th & 10th earn a BYE into DII

DII = 18 Teams

1st & 2nd place earn a BYE and are promoted to DI

3rd thru 14th place earn a BYE and remain in DII

15th thru 18th place must reapply

15U

Elite = 10 Teams

1st thru 8th place earn a BYE and remain in Elite

9th & 10th place earn a BYE into DI

DI = 16 Teams

1st & 2nd place earn a BYE and are promoted to Elite

3rd thru 12th place earn a BYE and remain in DI

13th thru 16th place must reapply

16U

Elite = 10 Teams

1st thru 8th place earn a BYE and remain in Elite

9th & 10th place earn a BYE into DI

DI = 10 Teams

1st & 2nd place earn a BYE and are promoted to Elite

3rd thru 6th place earn a BYE and remain in DI

7th thru 10th place must reapply

17U

Elite = 7 Teams

1st thru 7th place earn a BYE and remain in Elite

DI = 10 Teams

1st place earns a BYE and is promoted to Elite

2nd thru 10th place earn a BYE into 18/19U

The final divisional structure of 18/19U for the 2025-26 season will be dependent on the number of eligible teams.

18/19U

Elite Red = 9 Teams

Elite Blue = 10 Teams

Any team intending to move back into 18/19U must inform the Age Division Commissioner prior to April 1. These teams will be placed into divisions as determined by a vote of the Executive Board of LHGCL. The byes may be adjusted to accommodate the number of 17U teams moving into the combined 18/19U divisions.