

****SSA - UPSL and WPSL Participation Policy****

****Introduction****

This policy outlines the eligibility and participation requirements for all players in SSA's adult programming leagues.

**Eligibility Requirements**

1. **Registration:**

- All players must complete pre-registration and attend a UPSL/WPSL player ID session.

2. **Age Requirements:**

- Players must be at least 17 years old as of the start of the league season (U17+).

**Player Selection Criteria**

1. **ID Sessions:**

- Players will be identified during scheduled ID sessions and may be evaluated by coaches outside these windows.

2. **Recommendations:**

- Youth club aged players can be identified through scheduled ID sessions or recommendations by club coaches. Internal SSA youth players will be evaluated by the UPSL/WPSL head coach, assistant coach, or Adult Programming Director. Players may not be rostered directly by club coaches.

3. **Training Pool:**

- Players invited into the training pool may be selected for the first team if roster availability allows.

**Participation Guidelines**

1. **Registration Timeline:**

- Players must complete their registration within one week of receiving a roster spot offer.

2. **Intent to Play Document:**

- Youth club players (both internal and external) rostered on another team must return a signed "intent to play" document for their registration to be complete.

Important Notes

- External rostered players are limited to first-team opportunities.
- Maximum of 3 part-time/youth club-aged players per roster.