# Introduction

The goal of the Collingwood United Soccer Club (CUSC) is to field travel teams for all ages – U8 through to U18. Those in the U13to U18 age brackets will be on “competitive teams” where the focus will be on competition at the highest level.

The following guidelines have been established with respect to Competitive Teams. While the objective of the CUSC is to provide an opportunity for all players to have access to programs that will facilitate their development, the ability to offer such comprehensive programming at all age groups is often limited by the number of participants, which is a reflection of the size of our community and market area. In this regard, depending on the level of interest, programming may be modified accordingly to serve the best interest of the club and the players. (this includes combining age groups; separate boys and girls teams will be maintained to the extent feasible).

# Teams

Based on anticipated participation levels and availability of coaching staffs, the following teams are expected to operate for the 2019 season (age groups have been combined for several teams).

Girls: U13 U14 U15 U16 U18

Boys: U14 U16 U18

# Rosters

Each team is to consist of a minimum of 15 players and maximum of 18. Players will be selected based on their attitude, commitment, desire, skills and coaching ability. Those players not selected for the respective teams will have an opportunity to continue training with them and be considered as a “call-up” player should the need arise (additional fees may apply), provided they are registered in the House League program.

# Registration

For all competitive teams, registration is required for both the winter (indoor) and summer (outdoor) seasons for those athletes selected. While attendance at the winter training sessions is not mandatory, it is strongly recommended to ensure athletes have opportunity to develop and demonstrate their skills. Regardless of attendance, all athletes must be registered for the winter sessions to be considered. Participation at the sessions will not be permitted without confirmation of registration.

It is the club’s intent to establish the viability of each team and ensure registration with the respective leagues (CSL, YRSL or HDSL) by March 15, 2019. Only those players who are registered at that time will be eligible to participate. The Club reserves the right to consider special circumstances (eg. somebody who has only recently moved to Collingwood, a return from injury, etc.) on a case by case basis. While it is acknowledged that many athletes participate in other sports during the winter season, such will not be considered as a special circumstance - registration for the winter sessions is required for these athletes in order to be considered.