



**The following criteria are the MINIMUM requirements Missouri Youth Soccer considers for recommending a team for acceptance into the USYS National League – Midwest Conference.**

Recommendation is required but does not guarantee acceptance into the NLMC and all rules & criteria apply. Please refer to the NLMC rules at <https://www.usyouthsoccer.org/midwest-conference/> for further information.

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**All participating teams 14U and above:**

1. Team's State Cup Performance/Participation from previous year.
2. Previous Season NLMC performance. \*\*
3. Comparative performance against NLMC opponents or like opponents. \*\*\*
4. Club and team participation/registration in MYSA/USYS Programming and Programs (excludes programming administered directly by US Soccer Federation). \*\*\*\*
5. Any other information sent to State Office prior to application that is verifiable and accurate may be considered by MYSA at its sole discretion.

**\*\*Admission to NLMC is evaluated on a year by year basis and is not guaranteed. A team's previous performance in NLMC may determine that the team should not be accepted again or that it should be ranked below another team based on other performances including first and foremost the team's performance in Missouri State Cup.**

**\*\*\*State will only use for general reference rankings. Unless openings exist at the lowest level of competition after all other teams have been approved, state will NOT approve a team with no previous record together or a team playing lower than the top division of their age group in competitive local/state competitions.**

**\*\*\*\*The USYS NL Midwest Conference is specifically for members of Missouri Youth Soccer/US Youth Soccer affiliated clubs and teams. Clubs must register the majority of their teams/players with MYSA. Those who affiliate with another USSF member may not be considered for the competition at the sole discretion of Missouri Youth Soccer Association.**

**Any team that drops from participation after brackets have been posted may, at MYSA's discretion, not be considered for the competition in future seasons. Teams in bad standing or with a documented history of violations of MYSA, USYS and USSF policy will not be considered. If accepted, the USYS National League – Midwest Conference will take precedence over all other competitions with the exception of Missouri State Cup.**