

Texas State Cup 2021 FAQ's

Team Registration

1. How does my team apply to Texas State Cup?

Your team can apply through the link provided on the Texas State Cup 2021 webpage, https://www.u90c.com/texas-state-cup. All teams that apply must register with their GotSoccer account.

2. When does registration close?

Registration closes on Sunday March 28th, 2021.

3. When will my team be accepted to the event?

All teams that apply to the event will be waitlisted until the close of registration. Once registration has closed, your team will be notified by Wednesday, March 31st of their status (accepted, waitlisted, or declined.) Payment must be submitted at time of application. No team will be considered for Texas State Cup unless payment is received prior to the close of registration. Any teams not accepted to the event will receive a 100% refund of their registration fee.

4. How is acceptance to Texas State Cup determined?

Acceptance to Texas State Cup will be determined by the Texas State Cup Selection Committee and based on league standings, historical performance, and/or a national ranking system.

5. What is the difference between Super Group and Premier Group?

- Super Group is the topflight in the competition.
- Premier Group is the second tier.

Team Rosters / Check-In

1. Are guest players allowed?

No quest or loan players will be allowed.

2. What is the roster maximum?

For U13 to U19 maximum roster size is 26. For U13 to U14 you may dress a maximum of 18 players per game. For U15 to U19 you may dress a maximum of 22 players per game. Should



your team advance to US Club National Cup XX be advised that the maximum number of players allowed to dress for U13 to U19 is 18.

For U9 Development, U9, and U10 the maximum roster size is 14. For U11 Development, U11, and U12 the maximum roster size is 16.

3. What is required for Check-In?

To participate in Texas State Cup, teams must have proof of registration with US Club Soccer. You will need to upload a copy of your USCS roster and the COVID Symptom Free Pledge (Click <u>HERE</u> for link.) All documents need to be uploaded under the documents tab within your Texas State Cup event.

US Youth Soccer/USYSA/NTSSA/STYSA rosters will NOT be accepted.

At game time each player will be required to present their USCS player card with photo at check-in.

4. Can players be on more than one roster?

No.

5. Can I add players to my roster that are not USCS registered?

No, all players participating in Texas State Cup must possess a valid 2020-21 player card through US Club Soccer.

Travel

1. Do we have to book our hotels through a travel company?

Yes. When cities provide top notch facilities such as Toyota Soccer Center, they do so because they see a positive economic impact from visitors traveling in for a tournament, and that impact must be measurable. Measurements are achieved through the booking of hotels by the teams. The city has access to tournament records as well as exact hotel bookings per team and will force us to remove any team not showing the minimum required rooms booked through the U90C travel partners. Please be sure that this is acceptable to your team prior to registering for Texas State Cup.

2. What defines a "travel" team?

If your team practices greater than 100 miles from the main tournament venue you are a TRAVEL TEAM and are required to follow our Stay to Play policy. ALL non-travel teams are subject to being scheduled for a Friday night match. TRAVEL TEAMS that do not book through our travel partner will be removed from the event.



3. Where do I book my hotel accommodations?

All teams traveling from greater than 100-miles from Toyota Soccer Center will be required to book through our travel partner, HBC. Tournament hotels can be accessed on the Texas State Cup website under "TRAVEL". DO NOT book directly through the hotel, through an online discount travel website, or book a hotel outside of our partnered hotels.

4. How many hotel rooms is my team required to book?

Each registered travel team is required to book a minimum of 5 hotel rooms for 2 nights each.

5. On the website all the hotels appear to be sold out for this tournament or do not work for our team. In this case can we find our own hotel?

No. As currently contracted hotels run out of rooms, our travel partners add more. Your team is welcome to email or call to ask for the exact hotel you would like or provide a description of your team's needs, and the travel company will work to arrange this for you.

6. When is the deadline to book tournament hotels?

The deadline to book tournament hotels is 5pm on April 2^{nd} . Any travel teams that are not compliant with our Stay to Play policy will be replaced with a waitlisted team. Any teams not accepted to the event will receive a refund of their hotel deposit.

Schedules

1. What do I do if my Coach has a conflict?

If your Coach has a conflict please notify Mike Wilson, Tournament Director, and Chelsea Allen, Tournament Manager, at mike.wilson@u90c.com and Chelsea.allen@u90c.com. We will guarantee "no conflicts" in group round games for coaches with up to three teams in the event.

2. When will schedules be released?

Schedules are released the Tuesday before the event begins.

Event Specific Questions

1. What is the format of the event?

Format of the tournament is group play games with advancement to semis and finals.

2. Will there be multiple divisions in an age group?



There will be 2 divisions in each age group – Super Group is the topflight in the competition, Premier Group is the second tier.

3. Will there be parking fees?

We do our best to prevent additional fees, like gate and/or parking, at Texas State Cup. We have been successful in not charging for these items in the past, but we cannot commit to this every year. If this year's tournament requires an additional gate fee and/or parking fee we will communicate it immediately.

4. Who is eligible to apply for Texas State Cup?

Any US Club Soccer rostered team in the entire state of Texas is eligible for Texas State Cup.

5. How are teams seeded?

Teams will be seeded based on league standings and national rankings.

6. Are there advancement opportunities?

Yes:

Super Group Champions advance and receive paid entry fee into Super Group National Cup Finals (U13 to U19.)

Premier Group Champions advance and receive paid entry fee into South Central Regional event (U13 to U19.)

State Cup Finalists in the Super Group receive paid entry fee into South Central Regional event (U13 to U19.)

Policies

1. What is your Covid-19 policy?

Our priority is the health and safety of all U90C event participants. All U90C staff, officials, players, coaches, and spectators will follow guidelines as detailed by the state of Texas and local health officials. Please access our full policy and symptom-free pledge at: www.u90c.com/covid-19

