



## Membership Requirements



The criteria for becoming a State League member (clubs enter-and then register their teams) are:

- Competitive history of the club
- Competitive history of the team(s)(this is to include league results for the prior two seasons and tournament results)
- Credentials of the club administrator
- Credentials of the coaching staff
- Home field (if any)-number and location

These are some of the specific information related to joining the league-some other details are the general past history of the club (previous league membership in particular)-growth intent of the club (if starting with 1-2 teams what is the long-term goal for future teams). All of the above information is used by the SL membership committee when reviewing applications.

The intent of the SL is to provide a place for those clubs that are committed to the development of players seeking higher levels of competition.

The SL is currently comprised of two divisions at most ages. The ultimate goal is to have a truly elite division for the best teams in the league and to do that requires that members are able to support this by developiong teams that can compete at that level.

Additionally:

1. There is a bond required of each club (\$350) upon acceptance
2. The criteria above are used to determine acceptance.
3. The information to register a team(s) will be provided upon acceptance (there are certain forms related to club/team contacts, field address, etc. that will be required among other things)

Acceptance criteria:

### D-I

- State Cup performance (finish, won-loss record)
- Sportsmanship & Fair Play in tournaments and other leagues (D-II and other leagues)
- Won-loss record in D-II
- Team make-up (# of ODP players, individual honors)
- Performance in tournaments of State Cup caliber

### D-II

- Club make-up (competitive history of the club, coaches, individual player honors)

First time applicants at U13 & up must play in D-II unless approved by the league membership committee to move directly into D-I based on established criteria.