

OYSAN State League
Division III Information
8/18/2004 / 9:11 AM

Purpose

The purpose of the OYSAN State League is to provide a vertically integrated structure for OYSAN teams to compete against like-skilled teams at the Premier and Travel levels.

Structure

There are three levels in the OYSAN State League structure.

Division I

Premier and Community teams that do not compete in the Region II Midwest League* are eligible to compete in the First Division against teams from Ohio North and Ohio South. Teams from PA-W may also participate in this Division. Teams qualify to compete in the First Division through the OYSAN State Cup. Division I will be comprised of U-13 through U-18 age divisions for both boys and girls teams.

*Participation in the Region II Midwest League is reserved for teams that finish in the top four of the OYSAN State Cup.

Division II

Premier and Community teams that do not compete in the Region II Midwest League or in Division I are eligible to compete in the OYSAN Second Division. Teams qualify to compete in the Second Division through the OYSAN State Cup. Division II will be comprised of U-13 through U-18 age divisions for both boys and girls teams.

Division III

Teams that finish with winning records in the top division of their respective Travel leagues are eligible to compete in the OYSAN Third Division. Travel league teams playing up at U-12 or U-13 are not excluded from participation in the OYSAN State League during the following season. Division III will be comprised of U-13 and U-14 age divisions for both boys and girls teams. Exceptional girls teams are not precluded from competing in boys divisions.

Division III Information

Playing Seasons

The league will hold competitions in the fall and spring seasons and the quality of the participating teams will be reassessed following each season to ensure competitive balance. Teams dropped from the OYSAN State League at the conclusion of a season will return to their local Travel leagues.

Number of Teams per Age Division

Each age division will “ideally” be comprised of eight (8) teams. This number will fluctuate from season to season until a standard qualification process, such as the State Cup, can be adopted. Selection priority will be given to higher placed teams from each respective local league. Where numbers dictate, two divisions will be formed within an age group to accommodate strong participation numbers.

OYSAN State League
Division III Information
8/18/2004 / 9:11 AM

Fall 2004 Teams

The teams listed in Table 1 below will compete in the fall 2004 OYSAN State League Division III. In order to help facilitate player development opportunities in the Mansfield and Youngstown areas, “select” teams from those districts (APEX and YES) will compete in this OYSAN division.

Table 1

	U-13 Girls	U-14 Girls	U-13 Boys	U-14 Boys
AASL			1. Strongsville	1. Westlake 2. Strongsville
AYSLS	1. APEX			3. Lexington
GAASA	2. Woodridge 3. Chippewa	1. N. Canton	2. Copley 3. Jackson	4. OSFC 5. Jackson
NOGSL	4. Strongsville 5. Medina	2. Copley 3. Bay Village 4. Strongsville		
NWOYSL		5. Perrysburg 6. Findlay	4. Findlay 5. Perrysburg	6. Findlay 7. Anthony Wayne 8. EESL 9. Perrysburg
OASL				10. Mentor 11. Mayfield
YAYSLS		7. YES		

Registration

Teams should register through their respective leagues and pay any associated league fees. These teams will play on their Travel League passes. Teams not able to register through a local Travel league can register directly through OYSAN by contacting OYSAN Registrar Pam Menick by e-mail at pmenick@oysan.org, or by phone at (330) 659-0989.

Rosters

Team rosters must be submitted to the OYSAN State Office (PO Box 367, Richfield, OH 44286) by 5:00 pm on, or before, *Friday, October 1st*.

Match rosters can include up to 18 players, with 16-player rosters recommended. Up to five (5) age-appropriate and registered guest players, including trapped players (see below), from within a parent club or community (club pass system) may be used for any game.

Zip Code Issues

Teams should be formed using established local Travel league procedures. It should be understood that different Travel leagues operate under different Zip Code requirements when registering their teams. Teams from leagues without Zip Code restrictions will have rostering advantages over teams from leagues with stricter limits on Zip Code conformity.

OYSAN State League
Division III Information
8/18/2004 / 9:11 AM

Trapped Players

U-15 players who are age-ineligible when their teammates enter high school are eligible to participate in the league as U-14's.

Scheduling

Each team will play a minimum of seven (7) games.

Weekend kick-offs will be listed as 3:00 pm unless a time change is agreed to by the competing teams and the OYSAN State office (ggers1873@aol.com) is notified in a timely manner. Local games can be played on weeknights.

For games against "distant" opponents, OYSAN will assist in securing suitable sites, when requested. These venues will be central to the participating teams to reduce travel time.

While games will primarily take place on Sunday afternoons, the schedule is designed to provide scheduling flexibility. Games can be arranged for alternate days, or weeks, provided the OYSAN state office (ggers1873@aol.com) is notified and officials can be secured.

"Home" teams are listed first on the schedule.

Field Size and Quality

OYSAN State League matches should be played on flat, cut and lined, grass fields with recommended minimum dimensions of 110 x 65 yards. Ideally, games should be played on 116 x 75 yard fields. Communities with sub-par fields will be precluded from hosting OYSAN State League games.

Score Reporting

Scores should be reported by both teams via e-mail to Tom Turner (Ggers1873@aol.com) within 24 hours of the final whistle. Once received, results will be tabulated and posted on the OYSAN website in the new State League section.

Official game cards should be mailed to the OYSAN office (PO Box 367, Richfield, OH 44286) by the match referee.

Make-up Games

Games canceled due to weather should be rescheduled prior to the end of the season. In the event of a cancellation, the home team (listed first on the schedule) will be responsible for securing a field and notifying the OYSAN State Office (Ggers1873@aol.com) of the new location, date and time. Where travel distance makes "home" scheduling impossible, OYSAN will assist in securing neutral sites, as requested. Games that do not impact final league standings may be left unplayed at the discretion of the team coaches and provided OYSAN is consulted.

OYSAN State League
Division III Information
8/18/2004 / 9:11 AM

League Fees:

There are no additional team fees required to play in the OYSAN State League beyond the \$100 league fee -- per team -- paid to OYSAN by the registering Travel leagues. *

*Northwest Ohio Youth Soccer League (NWOYSL) teams, which are not registering through their home league, should contact OYSAN State Registrar Pam Menick by e-mail at pmenick@oysan.org, or by phone (330) 659-0989 for league fee information. These costs will be due at the time of team registration.

Performance Bonds

Each team must post a \$100 performance bond no later than 24 hours prior to their first scheduled match. Bonds can be paid by check to OYSAN, at PO Box 367, Richfield, OH 44286; or by credit card at OYSAN.ORG. Performance bonds will be returned at the conclusion of the season provided all match obligations have been fulfilled.

Referee Fees

The OYSAN State League will use a 3-man system (Diagonal System of Control). Each team is responsible for paying half of the \$70 officials fees prior to the start of each match. Teams should arrange for proper bill denominations (3 x \$10.00 and 1 x \$5.00).

Referee Scheduling

OYSAN will work through the State and District assignors to secure referees and assistant referees for each match. The location, time and date of any rescheduled matches should be reported to Tom Turner in the OYSAN State Office (Gers1873@aol.com) no later than 48 hours in advance.

Laws of the Game

Other than specified below, FIFA Laws of the Game will be adopted for all OYSAN State League games.

1. All matches will be contested over two 40-minute halves.
2. Players ejected from any match will be suspended for the next OYSAN State League match. Players ejected for a second time will serve a three (3)-match suspension; and players ejected for a third time will face further disciplinary action. Players ejected for violent conduct or serious foul play may be subject to more severe penalties.
3. Players accumulating three (3) cautions in a season will serve a one (1)-match suspension.
4. Fall 2004 matches will be played with unlimited substitution.

OYSAN State League
Division III Information
8/18/2004 / 9:11 AM

Disciplinary Issues

Teams competing in the OYSAN State League are expected to honor and respect the game; specifically, the opponents, the match officials and the opposing spectators. Each team is responsible for the behavior and conduct of its respective parents and supporters.

Field Maps

Once matches have been finalized, field maps and directions will be posted on the OYSAN.org website in the State League section. The location of “home” fields should be mailed to the OYSAN State office (Gers1983@aol.com) by Wednesday, August 25th.

Matters Not Provided For

The OYSAN State League Committee, made up of representatives of the member Travel leagues, will determine the outcome of all situations not specifically provided for in these directions.
