

Ohio South Announces ODP Calendar for 2011 – 2012 Cycle

The responses to the changes in ODP have been incredible. Thank you!!

As we move forward, we are committed to making the Ohio South ODP program one of the most user-friendly in the country. As a result of some requests, we are proud to announce our entire calendar for the 2011 – 2012 ODP cycle. Hopefully, this will help the many coaches plan league games and tournaments....and the many busy parents plan and balance the multiple activities that go along with a busy household.

<http://www.osysa.com/Assets/pdf/ODP/2011-2012+odp+schedule.pdf>

What is the Registration period?

2001 – 1997 Birth Years

Early Registration Period (\$120.00) August 29 to October 14 (5:00pm)

Standard Registration Period (\$150.00) October 15 through October 28 (5:00pm)

Registration closed October 29 through November 4

Onsite Registration only (\$160.00) November 5th, November 6th, November 12th, November 13th

Online Registration for 2011 – 2012 ODP cycle

http://www.osysa.com/ODP_423/Registration_and_Payments.htm

Printable ODP Registration Form

<http://www.osysa.com/Assets/pdf/forms/odp+forms/2011-2012+Printable+ODP+Registration+Form.pdf>

1995 – 1995 Birth Years*

*1995 and 1996 players do not need to register until January. The fee will be \$60.00 and their sessions will be in Phase 2, on March 31st and April 1st. More information to follow.....

Why has ODP changed so significantly from years past?

Two main reasons: a congested calendar and weather.

It was clear from feedback we received from players, Club Directors of Coaching and parents, that something needed to be done. Club teams train more often, play more games and travel further than at any other time in youth soccer. Calendars are congested with very little space in the fall and spring time periods. Unfortunately, many players had direct conflicts with their club responsibilities and ODP – in short, many times they had to choose which activity to attend.

Anyone who has lived in Ohio for a few years will tell you that the April and May time periods are traditionally very wet. We found that multiple training sessions were impacted – not just in cancellations – but also rain soaked fields impacting the quality of play.

What is different?

1. The biggest difference in the spring time period. We have completely moved out of the April through June time period. By doing so, we have removed nearly all conflicts for our players with their clubs; we now train outside of most club training sessions, league play, State Cup/Presidents Cup events.....even tryouts!
2. We are now training indoors in the winter time period. This is a time period where many players are doing limited training, if any, with their clubs. It just made sense!

3. All State Pool training will be conducted in the month of June. This is a relatively quiet month for many players

4. The process is much simpler for advancement;
District Training.....District Team.....State Pool.....State Team

5. We have eliminated many of the pay steps that occurred before. For example, Instead of paying \$60.00 in the fall and another \$60.00 in the spring, you now just pay one fee of \$120.00 for all of Phase 1 and Phase 2

6. At the request of Region II, all players who have their player card through Ohio South but reside in a state other than Ohio South are welcome to attend ODP training with the permission of their home State Director of Coaching and the Ohio South Director of Coaching - Gordon Henderson. These players are now eligible to attend Regional camp with Ohio South.

7. For those players NOT carded in Ohio South and who DO NOT reside within Ohio South boundaries, are also welcome to attend ODP training in Phase 1, but may not attend ODP Regional camp as a member of the Ohio South State teams.

For more detailed explanations, please follow the links below;
http://www.osysa.com/ODP_423/What_is_ODP_.htm

http://www.osysa.com/ODP_423/ODP_Q_A.htm