



FC DUTCHMEN SURF

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FC Dutchmen Surf Winter FAQs

Dear FC Dutchmen Surf Families,

This is Coach Michael Kinnally, Executive Director of FC Dutchmen Surf. It is an exciting time for our club as we continue through our Winter indoor programming while preparing for the Spring outdoor season. Below are some frequently asked questions club administration has recently received. As always if you have any additional questions please feel free to reach out.

What is FC Dutchmen Surf's policy on tournament participation?

Answer: All FC Dutchmen Surf players are expected to attend scheduled tournaments and events. If a player is unable to attend, families must notify their coach as early as possible. Please note that players are responsible for their share of tournament expenses regardless of attendance, as these costs are budgeted and committed to in advance.

What is the policy regarding FC Dutchmen Surf players guest playing with other teams/clubs?

Answer: Guest playing requests are reviewed on a case-by-case basis and are subject to specific conditions. All requests must be submitted to Executive Director Michael Kinnally for approval prior to participation. While guest playing can serve legitimate development or roster needs, it is important to note that some organizations use it as a means of player recruitment. FC Dutchmen Surf maintains strong relationships with trusted clubs and will coordinate guest playing opportunities when appropriate and aligned with our club values.

Can a player attend another team's training session if they missed their team practice?

Answer: Yes. If a player misses a training session, the club may allow attendance at a comparable session as a make-up opportunity. Families must first contact their coach for approval. The coach will coordinate an appropriate training opportunity with another team if available. Please note that this is intended for occasional make-up situations and should not become a regular occurrence.

Is player attendance required?

Answer: Attendance is recorded at all club training sessions, games, and events. While we understand that scheduling conflicts may occasionally arise, families are expected to consistently update availability and record absences in PlayMetrics. Attendance is an important metric considered during team formation throughout the tryout period. Consistent participation is a key driver of player development

Are there any sponsorship/fundraising opportunities?

Answer: The club is currently developing a structured fundraising program to help families offset certain club-related expenses, such as registration and uniforms. Additional details will be shared in the near future. Please note that funds generated through this program cannot be applied toward tournament fees, team fees, or Afrim's session fees. Any team-wide fundraising initiatives for larger travel events must be reviewed and approved by the FC Dutchmen Surf administrative team prior to launch.

As many of you are aware, US Soccer recently made a change to their age group structure for the 2026-2027 season. Club leadership has met extensively regarding this and will begin to disperse information in the coming days.