

FC Sarasota
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Futures
Registration
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Information



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Congratulations on your team selection with FC Sarasota!

We provide players with the opportunity of a comprehensive child centered program. We are a competitive program that puts players and player development first.

To confirm acceptance of your roster spot, please follow the instructions on page 3 of this booklet.

You have until 24 hours after being offered a roster spot to register and pay the **non-refundable deposit**. After the deadline if you have not paid your deposit, your spot will no longer be guaranteed. This is done in fairness to other players that are waiting for tryout results.

Thank you for attending tryouts. We hope you make the decision to be a part of FC Sarasota.



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How do I register?

To register, please click the link provided in the acceptance email.

How much will it cost to play with FC Sarasota?

Futures - \$650 (includes uniform)

How do I order my uniform and pick my jersey number?

Uniforms are ordered in bulk by the club and distributed to the team.

When will I have to pay my first fee?

The NON-REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT of \$200 will be the first payment of your fees and will be due immediately upon registration (if choosing to pay in full includes NON-REFUNDABLE deposit). The balance of the fees will be broken up into scheduled payments starting September 1st using our PlayMetrics registration program or fees can be paid in full at the time of registration.

What the practice details?

Practices will be twice a week during our recreational seasons (Fall and Spring). Location to be determined (Tatum or Twin Lakes) led by a designated competitive staff coach.

What is the game format?

Teams will play in-house matches at Tatum Ridge – Fall and Spring seasons. Each season will consist of anywhere between 8 and 10 games. Players will have the opportunity to be invited to participate in tournaments and/or with the YA. Players will be assigned to teams and guided by volunteer coaches throughout their games. Volunteer coaches will be selected and trained by our competitive staff.



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Thank you for choosing FC Sarasota. We are confident that it will be an enjoyable season for you and your family. It is important that you are fully aware of the commitments that FC Sarasota is making and what commitments will be required by the player/parent so please read below.

What Does FC Sarasota Provide?

- A comprehensive soccer program designed to maximize player development with a Talent Development Plan that includes curriculum and philosophy with sound proven pedagogy.
- Professional licensed staff overseeing and developing the program
- Optimal training and development for all players following FC Methodology
- Dedicated College Placement Coordinator
- Affiliation Player Registration Fee (Player Pass)
- Two dedicated facilities with seven fully lighted practice/game fields
- Dedicated staff; Administrative Director, Director of Coaching, Youth Academy Director, Recreational Director, FC Futures Director, Social Media/Marketing Coordinator and Administrator/Registrar
- Fully funded Coaching Development Pathway
- Club Operational Costs: Dedicated clubhouse with fully functioning concession stand, air-conditioned office and meeting room
- Financial Assistance Program
- Places must be earned and based on Pride, Passion & Perseverance
- The FCS Technical Staff and Head Coach of each team will work together to determine developmentally appropriate programming for each player.



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PLAYER/PARENT CONTRACT

It is important that you are fully aware of the commitments that FC Sarasota is making to you as well as the expectations and obligations that accepting the position offered require of you. I strongly recommend that the following information be read carefully prior to signing online during the registration process.

- While there is NO guarantee of minimum playing time in our competitive program, coaches will play everyone. Our aim is to develop ALL players and allow them the opportunity to show what they can do.
- The only people allowed on the field for training are the players and coaches.
- Do not make training and/or matches stressful for your child. Remember 'player development with enjoyable experiences on the field'. The best thing you can do to support your child is to let them have free, relaxed play.
- Coaches give their players specific instructions. Please do not attempt to coach from the touchline. If you want to coach please contact the Director of Coaching as we are always looking for qualified people.
- On no account must you approach a coach on the field or parking lot after a game or training session. If an issue arises wait 48 hours and then arrange an appointment with the coach so you can both sit down and talk about it. If you are not satisfied after this, then contact the Director of Coaching.
- Please do not contact FCS Technical Staff directly and undermine the position of a coach. Follow the procedure.
- 'Guest' playing for another club is not permitted. An exception may be made, without precedence being set, in the case of a showcase event that the FCS team is not attending. This must be approved by the FCS Technical Staff.
- 'Guest' playing within the club must be agreed by both coaches and be approved by FCS Technical Staff
- Being a competitive player requires that you take on more responsibility and show dedication. Therefore, team training sessions are mandatory. Missing one session could result in the player missing the first half of a game. Missing two sessions in one week could result in the player missing a whole game. No show for a game will result in a one game suspension. In the event of an unresolved issue with this rule the coach, not the parent, will make FCS Technical Staff aware of the situation. In exceptional circumstances allowances may be made without precedence being set.
- Injured players will attend training.



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- All players should arrive for training on time, dressed appropriately (with shin pads!), with a ball of suitable size (inflated) and a water bottle.
- Parents ARE NOT PERMITTED to select and take players to tournaments.
- Each player and parent must read and sign the FYSA Code of Ethics during the registration process and agree to abide by those requirements.



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FYSA CODE OF ETHICS

The following is the official 'Code of Ethics' adopted by the Florida Youth Soccer Association (FYSA). FC Sarasota has also adopted this document and it should be noted that **all players**, **parents**, **volunteers**, **coaches**, **and trainers are bound by this code**. Violating this can cause the coach, player, parent etc to be banned from attending SUSL sponsored events. There is no excuse for losing your temper, bad conduct or poor behavior. Please govern yourself accordingly.

COACHES/PARENTS/SPECTATORS

- I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, game officials and administrators at all times.
- I will place the emotional and physical well-being of all players ahead of any desire to win.
- I will support the coaches, officials, and administrators working with my child, in order to encourage a positive and enjoyable experience for all.
- I will remember that the game is for the players, not for the adults.
- I will ask my child to treat other players, coaches, game officials, administrators, and fans with respect.
- I will always be positive.
- I will always allow the coach to be the only coach.
- I will not get into arguments with the opposing team's parents, players, or coaches.
- I will not come onto the field for any reason during the game.
- I will not criticize game officials.
- Alcohol, illegal drugs, and unauthorized prescription drugs shall not be possessed, consumed or distributed before, during or after any game or at any time while at the field and/or game complex.



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PLAYERS

- I will encourage good sportsmanship from fellow players, coaches, officials and parents at all times.
- I will remember that soccer is an opportunity to learn and have fun.
- I deserve to play in an environment that is free of drugs, tobacco and alcohol; and expect everyone to refrain from their use at all soccer games.
- I will do the best I can each day, remembering that all players have talents and weaknesses the same as I do.
- I will treat my coaches, other players and coaches, game officials, other administrators, and fans with respect at all times; regardless of race, sex, creed, or abilities, and I will expect to be treated accordingly.
- I will concentrate on playing soccer, always giving my best effort.
- I will play by the rules at all times.
- I will at all times control my temper, resisting the temptation to retaliate.
- I will always exercise self-control
- Conduct during competitions towards play of the game and all officials shall be in accordance with appropriate behavior and in accordance with FIFA's 'Laws of the Game', and in adherence to FYSA rules.
- While traveling, all persons shall conduct themselves so as to being credit to themselves and their team.
- Alcohol, illegal drugs and unauthorized prescription drugs shall not be possessed, consumed or distributed before, during or after any game or at any time while at the field and/or game complex.
 Failure to comply may result in the suspension of your privilege to participate in FYSA sanctioned events, for the following periods:
- 1st offense: Suspension for a minimum of thirty (30) days to a maximum of five (5) years.
- 2nd offense: Suspension for a minimum of One (1) year to a maximum of ten (10) years.
- 3rd offense: Suspension for a minimum of five (5) years to a maximum of fifty (50) years.

Thank you for your support in what we are trying to achieve at our club,

FCS Technical Staff



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Refund & Release Policy

FC Sarasota Player Release & Refund Request Form and Policy

Policy and Purpose: By registering with the FC Sarasota (FCS), the player has committed to the program and their team for the seasonal year as outlined below. The FCS leaders and management staff is empathetic that certain situations may arise that force a decision to have a parent and/or player request a release/refund or drop from our program. While it is our objective to work through any issues that may arise prompting a request for release, we do not wish to force a player to remain with the club. This document was developed to provide an objective, fair and consistent message, which complies with the rules of FYSA and US Club, to any players and/or parents wishing to leave the club in the current 'active' seasonal year of both affiliations. FCS will consider the request for release/refund and will assure subsequent communications will be confidential in nature, while progressing forward in a mutually understanding and professional manner. We expect the same courtesy from the requesting party.

Directions: Please complete <u>one</u> form per player. Submit completed form to the FC Sarasota Program Director for processing according to the following procedures:

Player:	Male / Female:Age	Group:	
*Reason for requesting the release: Relocation of family out of area (over 60 miles) Joining a competing local soccer affiliate (see note on 'refunds' if pursuing this option) Season ending injury (doctor's note required) other			
Parent Signature:	Date:	_	

REFUNDS:

The player must be in good standing with the club in order to be eligible for release/refund (e.g., no outstanding red card fees, no outstanding 'installment' registration fees, no outstanding team fees, etc.).

Note: Initial deposits are non-refundable.

Players requesting to be released may be subject to a release fee of \$250.00 in addition to the registration fees being paid in full or current. See specifics on registration fees in the sections below.

Senior Players – 15U to 19U (season July 1st to October 31th/February 1st to April 30th)



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Up to July 1st

Players who have paid their registration fee in full will be refunded in full (not including the initial deposit) and players that are on the installment plan will have all payments (not including the initial deposit) refunded back. Requests will be processed within 10 days of receiving this written notice requesting the player release. The club will process the request and upload the necessary information to FYSA/USA Club/USSSA and notify the requesting parent when the player is labeled 'open' in the FYSA eligibility pool.

July 1st - September 1st

FC Sarasota will refund up to 50% of the fully paid registration amount (not including initial deposit). Players on the installments must be paid up to 50% of their fees to be released.

September 2nd – April 30th - No Refunds. Players on the installment plan must be paid in full to be released.

<u>Junior and Academy Players – 8U to 14U (season September 1st to April 30th)</u>

July 1st - August 1st:

Players who have paid their registration fee in full will be refunded in full (not including the initial deposit) and players that are on the installment plan will have all payments (not including the initial deposit) refunded back. Requests will be processed within 10 days of receiving this written notice requesting the player release. The club will process the request and upload the necessary information to FYSA/USA Club/USSSA and notify the requesting parent when the player is labeled 'open' in the FYSA eligibility pool.

August 1st - September 1st:

FC Sarasota will refund up to 50% of the fully paid registration amount (not including initial deposit). Players on the installments must be paid up to 50% of their fees to be released.

September 2nd – **April 30**th - No Refunds. Players on the installment plan must be paid in full to be released.

Note: The FCS BOD reserves the right to consider and grant an 'out of policy' refund amounts to any member due to special circumstances. Other than for **relocation reasons**, FC Sarasota <u>may</u> not honor release requests <u>post December 1st</u> of the seasonal year, as this puts an undue hardship on the other players in the age group and/or team (i.e., end of season tournament play). If the player and/or parent desires to not participate in their respective program for the duration of the seasonal year, that is up to their discretion, but FC Sarasota may not release the player card back into the 'player pool' for that respective seasonal time period.