



Michigan State Youth Soccer Association

October 5, 2015

To: MSYSA League Presidents & Delegates
From: Thomas K. Faro, MSYSA Executive Director
Re: Calendar Birth Year (January 1 – December 31) Implementation

Dear MSYSA League Presidents & Delegates:

As communicated in July, MSYSA will shift to **CALENDAR BIRTH YEAR** (January 1 – December 31) registration of youth soccer players at the conclusion of the Spring 2016 season.

MSYSA (and US Youth Soccer) competitions and programs will introduce **CALENDAR BIRTH YEAR** registration as follows:

Starting Fall 2016, the following events will be played in **CALENDAR BIRTH YEAR** age groups:

- Teams wishing to participate in the MSYSA State Cup (US Youth Soccer National Championship Series)
- Teams wishing to participate in the MSYSA Director's Academy (2004 and 2005 age groups)
- Teams wishing to participate in the Michigan State Premier Soccer Program (MSPSP)
- Teams wishing to participate in US Youth Soccer's Midwest Regional League (MRL)
- Teams wishing to participate in US Youth Soccer's National League (NL)
- Teams wishing to participate in US Youth Soccer's Kohl's American Cup
- Teams wishing to participate in US Youth Soccer's President's Cup
- Calendar Birth Year bracketing is required for tournaments sanctioned by MSYSA scheduled on or after August 1, 2016.

2016 Michigan Soccer Try-out Publication:

- Advertising occurs February 22, 2016 through April 4, 2016. (Mailed in May 2016)
- All team, club and league try-out advertisements must advertise **CALENDAR BIRTH YEAR** try-outs.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the MSYSA State Office and/or visit our website for additional information.

Sincerely,

Thomas K. Faro
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cc: Robin Crawford, MSYSA President
MSYSA Board of Directors