



Michigan State Youth Soccer Association

If your organization is interested in working with MSYSA to host State Cup at your facility, please read through the information contained in this document. Any questions can be directed to Sarah Shiguango, Director of Events, at sarah@michiganyouthsoccer.org.

State Cup: The Event

The MSYSA State Cup is the first level of competition in Michigan for the US Youth Soccer National Championship Series. Teams who win State Cup earn the right to represent Michigan at regional and potentially national competitions.

Each fall, MSYSA hosts a State Cup competition for the U14 – U19 girls age groups. Each spring, MSYSA hosts a State Cup competition for the U13 Girls age group and the U13 – U19 boys age groups. Also in the spring, MSYSA hosts a different tournament (the Junior State Cup) in conjunction with the State Cup. The information contained in this document includes hosting requirements for both State Cup and Junior State Cup.

MSYSA seeks facilities to host two weekends of tournament play in both the fall and the spring. The first weekend consists of the State Cup Round of 16 and Quarterfinal round. The second weekend consists of the State Cup Semifinal and Final rounds.

Dates of the Tournament

Fall State Cup

- Weekend #1 – Weekend before Columbus Day Weekend
- Weekend #2 – Weekend after Columbus Day Weekend

Spring State Cup

- Weekend #1 – Weekend before Memorial Day Weekend
- Weekend #2 – Weekend after Memorial Day Weekend

Games are typically played on Saturdays (all day) and Sundays (all day), however, games are also sometimes scheduled for Friday evening.

Field Requirements

Fall State Cup

- Weekend #1 – Minimum 16 full-sized fields required
- Weekend #2 – Minimum 2 full-sized fields required

Spring State Cup

- Weekend #1 – Minimum 16 regulation (11v11) fields + 4 medium (9v9) fields + 1 small (7v7) field required
- Weekend #2 – Minimum 4 regulation (11v11) fields + 4 medium (9v9) fields + 2 small (7v7) fields required



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Field Requirements, Continued

ALL FIELDS MUST BE AT THE SAME FACILITY – Multiple sites will not be considered

Field Dimensions

- Full-Sized Fields (11v11) – 100-120 yards long x 60-75 yards wide
- Medium-Sized Fields (9v9) – 70-80 yards long x 45-55 yards wide
- Small-Sized Fields (7v7) – 55-65 yards long x 35-45 yards wide

Facility must have anchored goals with nets for each field being used. Goal dimensions must be:

- Full-Sized Fields (11v11) – 8 x 24 ft
- Medium-Sized Fields (9v9) – 7 x 21 ft
- Small-Sized Fields (7v7) – 6 x 18.5 ft (preferred) or 6.5 x 12 ft

Facility must also line and provide corner flags for each field being used.

Other Features of the Facility

Admissions – MSYSA will not consider facilities who charge admission.

Awards – MSYSA requires approximately a 60x60 ft. area on weekend #2 to use for an awards ceremony. A raised platform is also desired, but not required.

Concessions – MSYSA prefers facilities with a permanent concession area that is open and working during events.

Event Support – MSYSA prefers working with facilities who have dedicated on-site support personnel to address facility issues as they come up.

Headquarters – MSYSA requires approximately a 20x20 ft. area to serve as the tournament's administrative headquarters. A permanent and sheltered area with access to electricity is preferred.

Internet – MSYSA prefers facilities that can offer access to a wireless network.

Parking – MSYSA prefers facilities that have ample on-site paved parking (estimate 55 parking spots per field being used). If needed, overflow and/or grass lots will be considered. On occasion and during particularly busy weekends, MSYSA has found it helpful to have parking attendants on-site to ease with parking and traffic flow.

Referees – MSYSA requires approximately a 40x40 ft. area on weekend #1 and a 20x20 area on weekend #2 to serve as the tournament's referee headquarters area. The area must be sheltered (under a tent is fine). Access to electricity is a bonus.

Restrooms – MSYSA prefers facilities with permanent restrooms.

Vendors – At times, MSYSA may have vendors at the tournament. Each will need approximately a 10x10 area, and some may ask for access to electricity.



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Submitting a Proposal

If your organization wishes to host a State Cup weekend, please submit the following items by the following deadlines:

Deadline:

Fall State Cup – The November 1st before the State Cup weekend you wish to host

Spring State Cup – The July 1st before the desired State Cup weekend you wish to host

Items to Include:

- Date of the weekend you wish to host
- Map of facility
- Number of fields (of each size) and number of goals (of each size)
- Number of outdoor fields with lights
- Description of field surfaces – grass vs. artificial turf. If grass, describe mowing schedule and grass length.
- Number of parking spots, including the number of handicapped parking spots. Indicate if parking is paved, unpaved, or a combination. Include any areas that may be used for overflow parking.
- Number of permanent restrooms, or if none exist, proposed solution with portable restrooms
- Description of scoreboard or PA system (if applicable)
- Description of team benches and spectator seating available for use
- Description of proposed administrative headquarters area, including whether or not there is access to electricity
- Description of proposed referee headquarters area, including whether or not there is access to electricity
- Description of proposed vendor area, including whether or not there is access to electricity
- Description of proposed awards ceremony only (weekend #2 only).
- Number of tables and chairs owned by the facility and made available to MSYSA during the event
- Number of golf carts owned by the facility and made available to MSYSA during the event
- Description of lightning detectors and emergency alert services the facility may have
- Name and address of the nearest ER hospital, and directions to/from the soccer facility and hospital
- Description of on-site support to assist with facility-related issues (plugged toilets, broken sprinklers, bodily fluids on fields, divets on fields, goal/net repair, etc). If community support exists in the form of volunteers, please describe that as well.
- Proof of insurance – 1M general liability insurance certificate
- Description of proceeds coming to MSYSA on the sale of concessions (if any)
- Description of fees assessed to MSYSA for hosting the tournament at the facility – include, as applicable, field rental, painting of fields, portable restroom rental/cleaning, tents/tables/chairs rental, trash removal, field set-up or clean-up, parking attendants, etc.

Upon submission of a proposal, MSYSA will follow-up with questions and potentially a request for a site visit. Any/all expenses occurred by MSYSA staff members as a result of a site visit will be paid by the organizing submitting the proposal. Final decisions rest entirely with MSYSA, and there is no recourse if a particular site is not selected.