



# Michigan State Youth Soccer Association

## Proposed Amendment to MSYSA Rule 3.4 (A), 5.

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### I. Current Rule:

#### Rule 3.4: Player Registration, Member Organization Entry, Affiliation Requirements

##### A. Proper Registration Procedure

5. Tryouts for all MSYSA players for the fall and/or spring season of the seasonal year may not be held earlier than the date established by the board of directors. The board of directors shall establish a calendar tryout date at minimum of one year in advance. For high school age boys teams playing only in the spring session, tryouts may be held from the established date by the board of directors until the start of high school practice and after the high school season ends in the fall. Leagues, clubs or teams affiliated through member organizations having tryouts prior to the date established by the board of directors and/or charging any type of fee for tryouts are not eligible for any MSYSA sponsored events.

### II. How the Rule Would Be Changed:

5. Tryouts for all MSYSA players for the fall and/or spring season of the seasonal year may not be held earlier than the date established by the board of directors. Clubs or teams are not eligible to participate in any MSYSA sponsored events if they choose to hold tryouts prior to the date established by the board of directors and/or charge any type of fee for tryouts. Teams falling under the Elite competition level as defined in MSYSA Rule 3.2 (F) are exempt from this rule.

### III. Rationale:

Some teams are affiliated with MSYSA but participate in regional leagues such as E64 or NLC which are run by USYS. MSYSA's current tryout rule places these teams at a competitive disadvantage to other elite level teams who are not governed by MSYSA rules. This proposed change to the tryout rule would allow these teams to hold early tryouts while still being able to participate in MSYSA sponsored events like State Cup.

### Outcome:

MSYSA Board of Director's Approved, 5-19-25.