

Detroit PAL 2022 SPRING Soccer Season

Important Questions and Things to Know

1. When does the season start and end?

The 2022 SPRING Season is scheduled to run from April 4th through May 23rd, Championships on May 30th.

2. What ages are eligible for the league?

Parents can sign up children born in the year 2016 through 2002. Children born **before** 2001 cannot sign up individually and must be a part of an existing team.

3. How do I register online for the program?

Online registration is available at **detroitpal.siplay.com**. You can also access online registration from the home page of **detroitpal.org**, scrolling down to "How To Register Your Child". Create an account if you do not already have one. Select the Child/Volunteer you would like to register, and then select Spring Soccer 2022.

4. Where & how else can I register for programs?

Register at the Detroit PAL Office located at 1680 Michigan Ave Detroit, MI 48216 on Monday – Friday from 10am to 6pm. If a child wants to participate on a SW Detroit team, their registration MUST be done at Clark Park, Monday – Friday from 3pm to 6pm. The phone number for Clark Park is (313) 841-8534. Cash, credit, checks, and money orders (made payable to Detroit PAL) are accepted. To receive the Medicaid discount, registration must be completed in the office or through mail (with a copy of the Medicaid card).

5. What is the registration fee and what is included?

Early Registration: 2/10/22 – 3/10/22 at \$60 per player or \$50 w/ a Medicaid Card

Late Registration: 3/11/22 - 3/20/22 at \$70 or \$60 w/ a Medicaid Card

The registration fee includes a jersey, shorts, and socks. <u>All players MUST HAVE A BIRTH CERTIFICATE or proof of age on file before the season begins.</u>

6. What else does my child need to play soccer?

- Shin guards are mandatory. Shin guards protect your player's shins from being accidentally kicked. They can be purchased for around \$10 at any sporting goods store or online at amazon.com. Please contact Detroit PAL if you are unable to purchase your own shin guards.
- Soccer ball is *recommended*. Players improve faster when they have a ball to practice with at home. You can buy a ball for around \$12 at any sporting goods store. Please note below that there are different sized soccer balls for different age children (see question #8).
- Soccer Cleats are optional, but *recommended*; players have better traction on the field using cleats. If you purchase cleats, THEY MUST BE SOCCER CLEATS not baseball or football cleats.

7. What is the cutoff date used to determine my child's division?

Age Group	Birth Year	Division	<u>Program</u>	<u>n</u>
5 & Under	2014-2016	I	Little Kickers	Fundamentals on Saturdays or Wednesdays only
6 & Under	2014-2015	(Classic	Fundamentals and non-competitive games
8 & Under	2012-2014	(Classic	Fundamentals and non-competitive games
10 & Under	2010-2012	(Classic	Fundamentals and non-competitive games
12 & Under	2008-2010	(Challenge	Competitive games
14 & Under	2006-2008	(Challenge	Competitive games
19 & Under	2001-2005	(Challenge	Competitive games

8. What are the rules for the age groups?

Age Group	Team Roster	Field Players	Game Length	Ball Size
6U (Little Kickers)	20-30	"FUN" damentals	45-60 minutes	#3
6 & Under	5-10 Players	4 v 4 (no goalie)	8 minute quarters	#3
8 & Under	6-12	5 v 5 (no goalie)	12 minute quarters	#3
10 & Under	8-14	7 v 7	25 minute halves	#4
12 & Under	10-16	9 v 9	30 minute halves	#4
14 & Under	12-18	11 v 11	35 minute halves	#5
19 & Under	12-18	11 v 11	45 minute halves	#5

9. When & where will games and practices be held?

ALL GAMES are scheduled to be played at Romanowski Park, Detroit, MI 48210. Games can be scheduled Saturdays and in the case of lightning, games will be rescheduled on the proceeding Sunday. Practices are 1-2 times a week near your site preference, except for Little Kickers which only meets once a week. Practices are determined by the coach.