

Greater Longview Soccer Association

Policy on Academies

Academies are governed by North Texas State Soccer Association Youth Associations. Players must register with the Greater Longview Soccer Association and may or may not be on a recreational team in order to be on an Academy team in the Greater Longview Soccer Association area.

Soccer Academies provide recreational players who have aspirations of becoming a more accomplished player an avenue to test and enhance his or her skills. They provide recreational players an opportunity to train with experienced coaches.

A player that is not on a recreational team and wants to be on an Academy team must complete an academy registration form and pay a \$25 registration fee every season. This fee will update if NTSSA or City of Longview fees change.

Recruiting is not allowed by Soccer Academy teams. Soccer Academies are to be used for training, not recruiting.

All players participating in a Soccer Academy who are also registered with a Greater Longview Soccer Association team shall, in the event of a conflict, consider the Greater Longview Soccer Association team to be their primary team and the Soccer Academy as a secondary team.

Academy players who are not registered to a recreational team are not eligible to participate as a guest player on any other recreational team as per NTSSA rule 4.6.1.6

The Academies may charge a fee to cover expenses in addition to the player's recreational soccer registration fees.

Soccer Academy coaches, trainers, administrators, etc., must satisfactorily pass a background check through GotSoccer. Any coach/trainer/manager must be registered and hold a current valid NTSSA coach ID card.

Failure to comply with this policy may result in the offending coach, assistant coach, manager and/or team representative being suspended from soccer activities for a period of not less than one (1) year.

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