

Competitive Player Registration & Rules

I/We, the parent/guardian, agree that we will abide by the rules and policies of the KBSC, the state association, Florida Youth Soccer Association (FYSA), the national association, United States Youth Soccer Association (USYS), and the Village of Key Biscayne Parks & Recreation requirements always.

I/We, the parent/guardian of the registrant(s), agree to register my child or children and participate in KBSC youth soccer programs during the 2025/26 season, which consists of practices, meetings, events, trainings, scrimmages, tournaments, cups, and league games. All players must complete the registration process, select a payment plan, and choose the KB Resident Discount Plan or Non-Resident Plan. Per the Village of Key Biscayne Council member resolution, Non-Residents will be charged 20% extra.

I/We understand and acknowledge that upon being notified that our child has been selected to play on a particular team, I/We will be asked to register our child on an online platform and secure their registration on the team with an initial deposit payment. Failure to make a deposit payment within a week of being notified, the coach, at their discretion, may choose to remove your child from the roster spot and replace your child with another player.

I/We understand that our registration deposit acknowledges our child's commitment to play the full 10-month season for KBSC and being responsible for the full annual registration fee. The annual fee is NON-REFUNDABLE, with special exceptions. I/We are aware that the player commitment could continue into post-season play into June and July, depending on the outcome of team performance and the qualification to play in regional or national tournament championships.

Once you register, you will receive an email to order your KBSC Uniform Kit. Contact your coach for your jersey number, and we encourage you to place your order by the first week of June to ensure delivery before the start of the season in August.

Player Movement

Competitive teams are designed for players who are committed to competing in local, regional, and national tournaments, State cups, and local, regional, state, and national leagues. Competitive players must try out, be evaluated, and be selected by the club's coaching and director staff. New players who arrive on Key Biscayne or wish to play for our club must request a tryout or participate in the general open tryouts at the beginning of May. However, we are always evaluating new and current players, and they may move up or down on a team based on their development.

Once a parent registers the player on a competitive team on our online platform, they have confirmed their commitment to play for that season, and KBSC will hold their spot for a limited period leading up to the start of the season. In early July, team declarations are made, and rosters are input into Gotsport, which generates a player pass for the registrant. Throughout the season, a player may move up or down a team within their age group, depending on the vacancies presented on another team or the arrival of new players. Players may be invited to guest play or train with other teams and be evaluated for a short period of time before transitioning onto a new team, subject to the coach's evaluation. Players'



movement will be based on merit, assessing numerous development criteria. A change will be requested after discussion between the coaches and parents, and the approval of the Directors.

Registration Refunds and Player Pass Releases

Upon committing to a Competitive team, your registration fee and monthly or annual fees will be charged to your account. There are NO REFUNDS. If a parent fails to pay outstanding balances past due, KBSC reserves the right to notify FYSA that the player is "Not in Good Standing" with the club. The player will be notified by the club and will be prohibited from attending practices and games until the account balance has been paid.

A player can be released from a team and be refunded their fees on a pro-rata basis under the following Special Exceptions:

- 1. Move residency outside Miami-Dade County.
- 2. Suffer a serious injury that requires a minimum of 4 months or more of rehabilitation. The player must present a doctor's report with a medical diagnosis of the injury.

If a player requests a release to play for another club and does not satisfy one of the above exceptions, in addition to our NO REFUND policy, you will be charged a one-time Player Pass Release Fee. The Release Fee will depend on the date during the season.

Player Release Fee: August – October: \$500 November – February: \$750

March – May: \$500

Player Evaluations

Players on Competitive teams shall receive two player evaluations (December & April) during the season. These evaluations are shared with the player and parents to track the player's developmental progress. Age-specific skills and criteria are expected to be achieved during the season. Based on the evaluations, the club may decide to move players from one team to another. The mid-season evaluation will include a Player Improvement Plan for all players that the coach has identified as not meeting the mid-season expectations. This plan will outline areas needed to improve to help the player work on weaknesses. Based on their end-of-season evaluation, the coach and director will determine if the player should continue with the same team or be promoted or demoted for the next season, and this will be communicated to the parents at the beginning of May.

Players develop differently, and certain situations will dictate how the coaches manage their rosters. Teams WILL NOT be chosen because...

They are best friends.
They attend the same school.
They have a sibling on another team.



The parents get along and want to keep the group together.

We know the club's decisions may not coincide with parents' or players' opinions, but we ask parents and players to respect the process. We have qualified, licensed coaches with years of experience. If a parent would like to discuss their player's selection or have questions about a player promotion or demotion, or about playing time and player progress, they should schedule a meeting with the coach and Director of Coaching at an appropriate time during the week or 48 hours after a game. Do not try to meet with the coach unannounced after a game or at the start or end of a practice session. S/he will respectively request to meet at another time/date.

KBSC Soccer Player Guidelines

- Always arrive on time, dress appropriately, and be ready to begin practices or games.
- On game days, arrive **1 hour before game time**. If you are arriving late for warm-ups, notify your coach.
- Take pride in attending all practices and games and always giving 100%.
- If you cannot practice due to injury, you are still required to attend practice to observe and learn.
- You are expected to always act like a TEAM (family)! You will be with your teammates for a 10-month season, and it is critical to get along, support, and encourage each other.
- No idle talking. Stay focused on the tasks and pay attention to your coach. Encouraging your teammates and helping them get better is awesome! Don't distract or goof off at practices.
- Offer encouragement, positive energy, and helpful criticism to your teammates. Do not yell at each other, berate each other, or disrespect others. If this occurs, playing time will be diminished, and the appropriate discipline will be taken.
- Sportsmanship is a must! We will act appropriately, and we will treat the referees and other teams with respect and consideration. We will look polished and put together.
- Be a player who learns quickly. Be coachable! Have a good attitude.
- Be a competitor! We are here to have fun and learn, but we also want to give our maximum effort.
- You are expected to be a role model on and off the field. You will be held to a higher standard while you are on this team.
- Your education comes first. If you need to take care of academics, notify your coach and discuss the situation, plan, and inform the coach of any school functions or exams coming up with at least 2 weeks' notice. Do not surprise the team and let your team down at the last minute when they depend on you.
- Information regarding practices, games, etc., will go out regularly. Be sure to be assigned to the team WhatsApp chat.

KBSC Required Practice Attire

- All players must wear shin guards at every practice.
- All players must have soccer shoes. We play on grass or turf fields. We recommend a cleated or multi-studded outdoor shoe. It is not required that players have shoes for each type of surface.



 All players must wear the designated practice jerseys and shorts at practice. You may wear BLUE or WHITE socks that you choose and be long enough to cover your shin guards.

KBSC Absentee Policy

If you cannot attend a practice, notify your coach before practice. In the event of an unexcused absence from practice without notifying the coach, they will be treated in the following manner:

- 1st absence with no notification: May lead to reduced playing time
- 2nd absence with no notification: May be suspended from the upcoming game
- 3rd absence with no notification: 2-game Suspension
- 4th absence with no notification: Dismissal from the team, pending review of the Coach, DOC and Club Board.

KBSC Missed Game Policy

 Any athlete who misses a game without notifying the coach prior to the game, will be suspended from the next game. Exceptions for this rule will be considered if there is an illness, family emergency, or official school function. School functions must be discussed with the coach 1-2 weeks in advance.

KBSC Tardy Policy

- 1st offense- verbal warning
- 2nd offense- verbal warning/conditioning/parent contact
- 3rd offense- reduction in playing time/conditioning/parent contact
- 4th offense- suspension from upcoming game/conditioning/parent contact
- 5th offense- dismissal from team/parent contact, pending review from the disciplinary committee

KBSC Discipline/Consequences

- Any discipline issues off the field, such as bullying, will result in a loss of playing time and/or Suspension Until Further Notice (SUFN) from the team.
- If an athlete has been placed on SUFN, that player will be expected to attend training and/or
 games and assist the coach. If a player repeats an incident and is put on SUFN, at the coach's
 discretion, he or she may suspend a player for multiple games or expel the player from the
 team.
- Use of drugs or alcohol, having excessive absences, tardiness from the team, showing disrespect
 to others, or any form of unsportsmanlike conduct can result in dismissal or suspension from the
 team.
- Inappropriate use of social media or any form of electronic communication will be considered a violation of team rules and can result in the player being placed on probation, suspension from



- an upcoming game, or dismissal from the team. This may include inappropriate texting or images used on social media.
- Repeated violations of the rules may lead to temporary suspension from the team or expulsion.
- If a player has failing grades in school, the coach and parents shall meet to evaluate the appropriate action, including a temporary leave of absence, until the player can show improvement in the progress report during the next exam or grading cycle. KBSC recognizes that academics come first.

I/We, Parent/Guardian, agree to the above terms and conditions.
Parent/Guardian Signature(s):
Name(s):
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