



Promotion Policy to Regional Leagues

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GENERAL

The Southeast Ontario Soccer Association (SOSA) will look to promote teams from SOSA District League play to Regional League play based on certain criteria.

PROMOTION TO REGIONAL PLAY FOR U13

If the Regional League (ERSL) requests and is granted permission from Ontario Soccer for Regional play to begin at U13 then SOSA will determine team entry into the ERSL by:

1. Meeting with the clubs participating in the U12 SOSA League at the end of the season to determine who should be promoted to the Regional level.
2. "Standings" of the U12 SOSA League division, which have been kept by the League Administrator, will be discussed at said meeting with the clubs.

PROMOTION TO REGIONAL PLAY FOR U14 AND ABOVE

This applies to teams playing in the DRSA and EODSA District Leagues. SOSA will only use games played between the SOSA teams in order to determine promotion.

Teams in the DRSA District League and EODSA District League, in their age division, will be offered promotion if:

- a. They have the written support of their club
- b. They are first in their league among SOSA teams
- c. If the teams are tied in their league among SOSA teams, then the winner is determined by:
 - i. Goal differential in all league games played between the tied teams
 - ii. If still tied, then a play-off game must be played by Sept. 15th
- d. A game between the top SOSA team in DRSA and EODSA District League is to be set up and must be played by Sept. 15th, if a team(s) requests

If there are two teams in the specific age level in the Regional League, the following criteria must be met for a team to be considered for promotion from the District League to Regional League:

1. Teams in the Regional League finishing in the upper half of the league may not be challenged.
2. For existing teams in the Regional League finishing in the lower half of the league:
 - a. Team must have the written support of their club
 - b. Playoff game must be played within two weeks of end of season
 - i. District team asks the Regional team to provide two dates to choose from
 - ii. Regional team sets up time, place, and field



- iii. District and Regional teams share field and referee fees
- iv. Regional team sends SOSA the details of game and SOSA shall assign referees

SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES

SOSA will evaluate special circumstances which are not covered above on an individual basis.