



## 2011-2012 U11-U18 TRYOUT INFORMATION

The Spokane Sabers FC tryouts have been scheduled for the following days. If your player is interested in trying out for the teams of 2011-2012, plan on attending the tryout dates for his/her age group.

- Dates:** U11 Boys—May 5-6  
U11 Girls—May 9-10  
U12 Boys and Girls—May 16-17  
U13 Boys and Girls—May 12-13  
U14 Boys and Girls—May 23-24  
U15 Boys and Girls—May 18-19  
U16 + (High School) Boys and Girls—May 25-26
- Time:** 5:30 to 7:30 PM, check-in starts at 5 PM
- Location:** Mt. Spokane High School
- Bring:** Plenty of water  
Ball  
Shin guards are mandatory  
Soccer cleats are not mandatory, although toe cleats are not permitted  
**NO CLUB ATTIRE ALLOWED**
- To Register:** Register on-line at [www.spokanesabersfc.net/](http://www.spokanesabersfc.net/) Forms will also be available at tryouts.
- Goalkeepers:** Players wishing to tryout as a goalkeeper are expected to attend all tryout dates. Players trying out for goalkeeper and receiving scores high enough to be placed on a team due to their goalkeeping skills will be required to play goalkeeper for that team. If placed on a team as goalie, there is no guarantee of field time outside of goalkeeping responsibilities.
- Play-Ups:** Players who want to play-up must indicate this on the Tryout Form. If the player does not make a team as a play-up then they will be allowed to attend the tryouts for their true age.
- Tryout #:** Each player will be issued a unique numbered scrimmage vest. The player will keep their scrimmage vest for both days of tryouts. A player that forgets his scrimmage vest the second day of tryouts **will not** be issued a new number. Scrimmage vests must be turned in on the player's last day of tryouts. Missing scrimmage vests will be billed at \$20 each to cover replacement cost.

**Players on a Select team show great potential to take their game to the next level, and desire a more competitive level of play than recreational teams typically have to offer. All players who are members of the Spokane Sabers FC understand playing Select soccer requires tremendous commitment and dedication to the game and their team. Likewise, parents make great sacrifice for their sons/daughters to play with the team. Playing for the Sabers is a privilege. Please see the attached Club Expectations.**

## Club Expectations



## Player Responsibilities

- All players will treat officials and opponents with dignity and respect.
- All players, regardless of ability and/or playing time, are equal members of the team. Each and every player will treat all teammates with acceptance, respect, and friendship.
- All players will provide maximum effort in training sessions and games.
- All players may only wear Sabers game uniform, warm-ups and club sweatshirts at games (NO SCHOOL SWEATS, TOURNAMENT SWEATSHIRTS, and NON CLUB NIKE OR OTHER BRAND GEAR ETC).
- Attendance at all practices and games is mandatory. While injured players may be unable to play, they are still expected to arrive on time, listen to instructions, encourage teammates and assist the team.
- In rare situations, players may be excused from games and/or practices. When this occurs, players are responsible for informing the coach, at the earliest possible time. The only exceptions are: in crisis situations, or emergency situations when prior contact is not possible, the coach will be contacted at the earliest possible time following the game or practice.
- When players miss practices and/or games, playing time in future game(s) may be affected.
- Unexcused absences are absences in which the coach was not informed in the manner described above and/or the reason for the absence is not satisfactory. An unexcused absence from a practice and/or game may result in the suspension of the player from the next game in which the player is eligible to play.
- Players are to be on time for games and practices. Tardiness may affect playing time in games.
- While close friendships are natural on teams, all players have a responsibility to make sure all other teammates are accepted and included, both on and off the field.
- Players are to treat coaches with honesty, dignity and respect at all times. They are to abide by coaching decisions and rules. Players accept the fact that coaches have responsibility for directing, correcting and guiding players in all Sabers activities.
- Players are expected to directly seek understanding and resolution when questions or problems arise with coaches or teammates.
- Players will conduct their personal lives in a manner that brings honor to themselves and the team. This includes school performance, self-respect, healthy behaviors and social responsibility.

## Parent Responsibilities

- Parents will treat players, coaches, opponents, and officials with respect and dignity.
- All comments by parents and their guests from the sidelines will be encouraging and/or complimentary. Parents and guests will refrain from making comments about player mistakes or errors.
- Parents will refrain from making derogatory comments to referees at any time.
- Coaching at the soccer field is to be done only by coaches. Parents agree to refrain from coaching or directing their child or other players during all game and practice activities. No parents are allowed in the bench area (prior, during or after the game until the players are dismissed) once the coach has convened the team in preparation for the game. If a parent wants to direct and/or coach his/her child, this is to be done after games and away from the field of play.
- Parents will discuss player and/or team concerns and problems directly with the head coach with their child present.
- Parents will support (and if necessary, assist) their children to meet their responsibilities as outlined in this document.
- Parents will support coaches and encourage their athlete to do the same.

## Coaches Responsibilities

- Coaches are responsible to abide by the rules of conduct embodied in the spirit of this document.
- Coaches will balance individual growth, social development, and the acquisition of soccer knowledge and skills in working with individual players and the team as a whole.
- Coaches will train players to play with good sportsmanship and to abide by the Laws of the Game. Success comes from the pursuit of working to be better and that is what coaches will strive to do.
- Coaches will promote a positive atmosphere in all Sabers activities.
- Coaches will devote the time and skill necessary for the good of the team.
- Coaches will treat players, parents, officials and opponents with respect.
- The Head Coach is responsible for the following:
  1. Organizing, convening and directing team training sessions and games.
  2. Supervising the team and setting rules (e.g. curfew, meals, meetings) during travel.
  3. Mentoring and disciplining players and directing player behavior.
  4. Coordinating with the team manager.
  5. Communicating and collaborating with other Sabers personnel.
  6. Mediating concerns and problems with players and/or parents.
  7. Other responsibilities as necessary.