

## **IOWA CITY KICKERS FAQ**

### ***Q - I would like to know what days practice are before I register?***

A - The Iowa City Kickers Soccer Club does not offer pre-assigned practice days. The decision on when to practice will be made by your assigned team's coach at the start of the season.

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### ***Q - I live right next to Willow Creek Park (or another specific location), why is my team practicing at the Kickers Soccer Park (or another specific location)?***

A - The Iowa City Kickers Soccer Club does not mandate practice locations to coaches. The decision on where to practice is made by your teams coach at the start of the season.

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### ***Q - I have a conflict with my assigned practice time. Can I be switched to another team?***

A - The first thing to do is to let your coach know you have a conflict. If enough players have a conflict the coach may be willing to change the practice time(location). Since this is a recreational league, coaches will still allow you participate in games on the weekend even if you are not able to make practices during the week. The club cannot switch you to another team based upon your practice requests because we do not know the individual practice times and location of each team.

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### ***Q - I wanted my child to be on a team with his/her friends. Why are there kids from other schools on his/her team?***

A - Not every school has the exact amount of players for a full team or the exact amount of players for two teams for the season. In that case players from two or more schools will be combined. Sometimes there are enough players from a school to form a full team but there are no parent volunteers from that school. In that case players need to be placed with an available coach from a different school. Every effort will be made to keep players who live in the same geographical area together and in most cases each team will have at least two or more players from the same school.

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### ***Q - Can I make a request to be placed on a team with another player or coach?***

A - While every effort will be made to accommodate your request, not all request are able to be fulfilled, ie. the team may already be full at the time of your request. The Iowa City Kickers makes no guarantee of team placement.

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### ***Q - Is there a registration deadline?***

A - Players can be assigned to teams as long as space is still available. Team in grades K -4 can accommodate 12 players. Teams in grades 5 and up can accommodate 16 players. Team formation begins after the early bird registration cut-off (July 15 for the fall season and February 15 for the spring season). Players are assigned to teams based upon the date their registration is received.

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### ***Q - Is doesn't seem fair that my team has only 7 players when another team has 12. Why doesn't each team have the same number of players?***

A - Forming school based teams takes precedence in the team formation process. If teams were formed by a draft each team could have the same amount of players. The minimum number of players to start a team at the beginning of the season is 11 for grades 5 and up, 7 for grades 3 /4 , 6 for grade K-2. Sometimes players will drop off once a team is formed and in that case the coach will work with the club in order to boost numbers for the team.