AYSO Coach Training Equivalency

The following coach training equivalency policy has been created for coaches who hold a recognized coaching license issued by U.S. Soccer or United Soccer Coaches (formerly NSCAA) and wish to participate in AYSO.

Although U.S. Soccer does not have reciprocity with any other soccer organization, AYSO and United Soccer Coaches will grant reciprocity for each other's small-sided game courses.

To be eligible *all* coaches must:

- Be a currently registered AYSO volunteer.
- Have completed AYSO's Safe Haven and the CDC's Concussion Awareness training in their AYSO training record in Blue Sombrero.
- Produce a copy of their applicable license.
- Be recommended directly by the Regional Coach Administrator or Regional Commissioner of the Region in which they will be coaching – email recommendations are accepted.
- Not be suspended or disqualified from participation of any youth serving organization for any reason.

Note: Section Coach Administrators or Trainers, Area Coach Administrators or Trainers or Regional Coach Administrators or Trainers, are not eligible for coach training equivalency consideration.

All applicants for coach training equivalency consideration that hold a U.S. Soccer license or United Soccer Coaches Diploma and have met the above requirements, will transfer at the following AYSO coach level:

U.S. Soccer Licenses:

- "A", "B", "C" licensed coaches will be documented as an AYSO Advanced Coach – eligible to participate in the AYSO National Coaching Course.
- "D" license coaches issued after January 1, 2013 will be documented as an AYSO Advanced Coach – eligible to participate in the AYSO National Coaching Course.
- "E" license coaches issued after January 1, 2012 will be documented as an AYSO Intermediate coach – eligible to participate in the AYSO Advanced Course.
- 4v4 grassroots license coaches will be documented as AYSO 6U and 8U coaches – eligible to participate in the AYSO 10U Course.
- 7v7 grassroots license coaches will be documented as AYSO 10U coaches – eligible to participate in the AYSO 12U Course.
- *9v9 and 11v11 grassroots license coaches will be documented as AYSO 12U coaches – eligible to participate in the AYSO Intermediate Course. *Must be in-person license.

United Soccer Coaches Reciprocity:

- 4v4 United Soccer Coaches diplomas will be documented as AYSO 6U and 8U coaches. AYSO 6U and 8U certification will be documented as 4v4 United Soccer Coaches. *

- 7v7/9v9 United Soccer Coaches diplomas will be documented as AYSO 10U and 12U coaches. AYSO 10U and 12U certification will be documented as 7v7/9v9 United Soccer Coaches. *

*To obtain United Soccer Coaches Diploma, coach must activate a free trial membership with United Soccer Coaches.

All documentation must be submitted to the local Section Coach Administrator for consideration and final approval.