

What is the Fall Select Program?

Fall Select is a program open to all players who are registered for the current fall season in the 10U and 12U divisions. This is an opportunity for players to improve their skills in a more competitive environment.

The Fall Select Season games run from September through November. These teams are expected to play in the Islands Best Tournament at the end of December. See "Expected travel and tournaments" below.

The Fall Select Season will help the AYSO Board of Directors determine the Gold and Silver coaches for the Spring Select Season. Only Fall Select coaches will be eligible for the Gold Spring coach position.

Applications

Applications can be found on the region 769 website. **Applications are due on May 3, 2026.** Any coach that submits an application after the due date will automatically be placed on the coaching waitlist. Coaches on the waitlist will not be guaranteed a team but may be offered an assistant coaching position.

Player draft

For 10U and 12U boys and girls, we will have a player showcase at Waipio Soccer Complex on July 19, 2025. These are voluntary, but they are an additional way for the Select Coaches to see the players.

The teams are drafted by August, with practices starting after rosters are confirmed. **Coaches are allowed to obtain player commitments prior to the player showcase.** The coaches get together and draft players that participated in the showcase to fill the remainder of their rosters. Each coach is looking for different things. Factors that often play a part in selection include skill, sportsmanship, team participation, speed, effort, an understanding of the game, attendance and participation in fall training, positional needs of the team and team chemistry. Each team needs referees to be eligible for tournaments. It is possible that a player can be selected because one of their parents is a referee. All teams will be required to have a certified referee crew in time for the Islands Best Tournament.

Criteria for the Select Season

COACHES: All interested coaches must fill out an application PRIOR TO THE DEADLINE detailing their experience and acknowledgement of the commitments if selected. All coaches must register as an AYSO volunteer, have completed the appropriate coaching class level to their age group, AYSO Safe Haven training, Sudden Cardiac Arrest, SafeSport, and the concussion awareness training (the latter four available online.) Coaches have until the start of the season to complete the required coach training. **Any coach that does not complete the required training may be asked to vacate their team.**

COMMITMENT: A high level of commitment is expected from the coaches, players, and the parents. Select is for motivated and enthusiastic coaches. Other obligations MUST be included in the application if known or anticipated (ie coaching other teams). All teams are expected to participate in the Islands Best Tournament. Select coaches may be asked to mentor/support coaches in our core

program and support AYSO board activities as requested. You will be required to attend select coach's meetings during the select season.

REQUIREMENTS: Coaches are required to keep open communication with the regional board and select coordinator. It is expected that coaches will provide email responses in a timely manner. Coaches must attend all select meetings. All teams must have a certified referee crew prior to the Islands Best Tournament. Coaches must be registered as an AYSO volunteer and obtain the necessary coaching certifications prior to the start of the select season. Failure to meet these requirements may result in forfeiture of your select team.

Calendar of events preceding the Select Season

May 1, 2026: Fall registration opens for coaches and players

April 26, 2026: Select Coach's applications are due

May 16, 2026 (Saturday 800am-200pm): Player Showcase, Waipio Soccer Complex Field 2

July 13, 2026: Final Select Roster Due

September 5, 2026: Select Games Begin

Expected travel and tournaments

Select games are on Saturdays and may be played away from Waipio Soccer Complex. Previous select seasons have had games in Kailua, Kaneohe, Diamond Head, Mililani, Pearl City, and Honolulu.

Select teams participate in these tournaments:

Mililani Makahiki Tournament. OPTIONAL

Mililani 11/22-11/23 (dates are tentative).

Islands Best Tournament. STRONGLY RECOMMENDED

Waipio Soccer Complex 12/26-12/28 (dates are tentative).