



GIRONDINS
USA

2018/2019 Player Handbook

About Us

FC Girondins de Bordeaux USA (Girondins USA) was formed in 2017 by former professional players Nenad Vilotijevic and Nisa Saveljic. The club is based out of Montgomery County, Maryland.

The Club is a registered LLC through the state of Maryland in a partnership with FC Girondins de Bordeaux, a professional club in France. FC Girondins de Bordeaux was founded in 1881, has won six (6) Ligue 1 titles and is recognized as one of the most successful football clubs in Europe.

Mission Statement

FC Girondins de Bordeaux USA will provide girls and boys (future) with a professional youth development environment that will foster their growth and development while providing a direct link between the USA and a professional club in France.

Our Staff

President: Nenad Vilotijevic Coach Nenad was born in Serbia and played over 5 years of professional soccer before a back injury ended his playing career. His goals include providing players and teams with the important skills they need in order to compete at the highest levels in college and professional. He currently holds a UEFA B Coach License.

Vice President/Director of Coaching: Nisa Saveljic Nisa was born in Montenegro and began his professional soccer career in 1989 with Budućnost. Most notably he played for FC Girondins de Bordeaux for four years and represented the Yugoslavian National team in the 1998 FIFA World Cup and UEFA Euro 2000. He currently hold a UEFA A Coach License.

Coach: Dejan Lunova Dejan has over 15 years of experience in soccer both as a player and coach/trainer. He played over six (6) years of professional soccer in Serbia. Dejan has coached in

the United States since 2016 and has been part of Girondins USA since its inception in August 2017. He currently holds a UEFA C Coach License and USSF National E License. His philosophy - Boosting the confidence of players to strengthen their mentality and views towards the sport they play.

Coach: James Myers-Antiaye James was born in England and played throughout the English youth program at various levels for over ten (10) years. James coached in England for several years at the University of Bedfordshire, ICSDF Brazilian Soccer School and TEN-EM-BEE youth team before coming to the United States in 2010. His coaching and training experience in the United States includes: Pachuca Dragons FC, Our Lady of Good Council High School, St. John's High School, JOGA SC as well as scouting for the Chance Nike Academy and DC United Academy. Coach James holds an English FA License.

Our Teams

FC Girondins de Bordeaux USA began with girls teams from U13-U19 competing in Eastern Regional League (ERL), Eastern Development Program (EDP) and MSYSA State Cup Competitions. The club looks to expand to include additional girls and boys teams from U13-U19.

2018/2019 teams include: U13, U14, U15 and U16 girls programs.

Registration/Payment Information

Costs Included in Annual Registration Fees:

- Girondins USA Club Fees
- US Club Registration and/or MSYSA Registration
- Fall and Spring Practice Sessions: Three/four sessions per week on turf fields and/or other designated field and indoor gym training
- Winter Indoor League: Usually one session of Maryland Soccerplex Indoor or designated indoor futsal league

- Goalkeeper Training: Weekly specialized training for Team Keepers
- Team Coaching Fees and Director of Coaching Support
- 2018/2019 League Fees (ERL, EDP, MSYSA)
- Game Fields and Referee Fees
- Minimum of two (2) tournaments/showcases
- Weekly strength training session with fitness trainer (U15 and up)

The registration fees do NOT include required player uniforms, warm up jackets and pants, training jerseys or player-related travel costs.

Fees:

Player fees are determined annually based on age and league and can be paid in full or billed over the course of the season using our online payment system.

Uniforms:

The Club updates its uniform kit every two years. 2018/2019 is the first year of the new uniform. The approximate cost of the Puma uniform kit is \$325.00 for youth sizes and \$350.00 for adult.

Injured Players:

A player injured for three (3) months or more may receive a reduction in the player fee provided he or she applies to the Club for a reduction and provides a doctors report regarding the condition of the player, the projected duration of the injury and any recommended physical therapy. They player should indicate whether or not he or she plans to remain on the roster and return to the Club after recovering from the injury.

Payment Schedule:

Girondins USA uses an online payment service to process club registrations and fees. Payments will be accepted by credit or debit card only with the following two options:

1. Pay in full at time of registration
2. Select an automated payment plan at the time of registration. The non-refundable deposit of \$250.00 will be charged at checkout with the balance of fees divided into six (6) equal payments.

It is the player's family's responsibility to remain current with payments to maintain a good membership standing with Girondins USA.

By accepting a position on a team with FC Girondins de Bordeaux USA, players are making a commitment to the Club and the other team members for the FULL soccer year (Fall/Spring seasons).

Club Communication

Players and parents should first address any team-related concerns directly with their coach. If the issue cannot be resolved at the team level, parents should contact the Club administration.

Player Protection and Safety

Background Checks:

All FC Girondins de Bordeaux USA coaches, assistant coaches, trainers and managers will undergo a background check to minimize the risk of all players registered with FC Girondins de Bordeaux USA.

Concussion Testing:

FC Girondins de Bordeaux USA requires that all players at the U13 age and older undergo a baseline concussion testing exam prior to the start of play. All results will be kept confidential and can be accessed in the case of a potential head injury.

Code of Conduct

As a Player, I agree that I will abide by the following, and as the Parent of a Player, I agree that my player will abide by the following:

Individual Conduct

1. I will maintain a high level of fitness and proper nutrition, and I understand my personal role in enhancing performance and preventing injuries.
2. I will spend time on individual player development, before, after and outside of practice sessions.
3. I understand my commitment to FC Girondins de Bordeaux USA is from August-June.
4. I will represent the "Values" of FC Girondins de Bordeaux USA at all times.

Conduct with Team

1. I will be respectful and professional on and off the field at all times.
2. I will encourage, challenge and support and motivate my teammates on and off the field.
3. I am fully committed to my team and the club's success and will maintain a high level of competitive spirit.

4. I am fully committed to the FC Girondins de Bordeaux USA unique style of play.

Practice Conduct

1. I understand that team practice's are mandatory and attendance will be tracked.
2. I understand that punctuality is imperative. Players must arrive at least 15 minutes early and be on the field ready to begin practice according to the coach's requirements.
3. I will display 100% focus and commitment during all practice sessions.
4. I understand that performance during team practices impacts playing time in games.
5. I will wear the correct FC Girondins de Bordeaux USA training jerseys, shorts, jackets and pants (weather permitting).

Game Conduct

1. I will wear/bring the correct uniform for all games and travel events.
2. I will arrive early for all games according to my coach's instruction.
3. I will behave professionally during all games and travel events, representing FC Girondins de Bordeaux USA at the highest level.