

# Dynamo Soccer Club Recreational League

## Age Group Moving Policy (This policy is effective as of the Fall 2015 Recreation Season.)

**Dynamo Soccer Club Recreation Program requires players to participate in the correct, age-appropriate division.**

- I. Divisions are specified by the Virginia Youth Soccer Association, and as a VYSA member, Dynamo Soccer Club abides by their policies. The age groups are determined by the player's age on July 31<sup>st</sup>, just prior to the start of the soccer year, running Fall to Fall.
- II. **Under no circumstances will a player be allowed to "play down" an age group.**

**The only acceptable reason for a player to play up an age group is to further challenge the player for their individual soccer development. It needs to be clearly understood that a player "playing up" an age group within our recreational program will NOT further challenge the player for their individual development. Dynamo Soccer Club has in place several levels of play to accommodate those players who may require a higher level of challenge. As a result, the following policies have been implemented by Dynamo Soccer Club.**

- a. Under no circumstance will a player be allowed to play up within the recreational program from the age groups U7 to U18.
  - i. Dynamo Soccer Club offers players in the U7-U9 age groups the opportunity for higher levels of play and development through its Academy Program. For more information about the Academy Program, contact Ryan Morgan at the Dynamo Soccer Club office 804-730-6510 or email him at [ryan@dynamosc.com](mailto:ryan@dynamosc.com).
  - ii. Dynamo Soccer Club offers players in the U10-U18 age groups the opportunity for higher levels of play and development through its Travel Program. For more information about the Travel Program, contact Patrick Hughes at the Dynamo Soccer Club office 804-730-6510 or email him at [patrick@dynamosc.com](mailto:patrick@dynamosc.com).
- b. Procedure for requesting a "play up" exception for U4-U6
  - i. Parents requesting a player exception must submit a Player Exception Form. Player Exception Forms can be obtained through the Director of Recreation, Nikki Urie at [nikki@dynamosc.com](mailto:nikki@dynamosc.com)
  - ii. Forms must be turned in *within one week of submitted player registration*.
  - iii. No requests will be accepted from players registered after registration deadline.

Player exceptions are made by the Director of Coaching, General Manager and the appropriate program Director.