



Promotion Policy to Regional Leagues

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GENERAL

The Southeast Ontario Soccer Association (SOSA) will look to promote teams from SOSA District League play to Regional League play based on certain criteria.

PROMOTION TO REGIONAL PLAY FOR U14

1. First spot goes to U13 District League champion.
2. Second spot for consideration is only if the second-place team is within six (6) points of the first-place team.
3. If a U13 team is playing up in a higher age division in the District League then:
 - a. The team playing in the higher age division in league play will be promoted to the Regional League.
 - b. The first-place finisher of the U13 Division will be promoted.

PROMOTION TO REGIONAL PLAY FOR U15 AND ABOVE

If no team or a single team is currently playing in a specific age level in the Regional League, the following criteria must be met for a team to be promoted from the District League to the Regional League:

1. The team that wins the District League in their age division will be offered promotion if:
 - a. They have won the division and are at least six (6) points ahead of the second-place team.
 - b. They have the support of their club.

If there are two teams in the specific age level in the Regional League, the following criteria must be met for a team to be considered for promotion from the District League to Regional League:

1. Teams in the Regional League finishing in the upper half of the league may not be challenged.
2. For existing teams in the Regional League finishing in the lower half of the league:
 - a. The first-place finisher of the District League, by at least six (6) points, may choose to have a playoff game against the lower place team in the Regional League
 - b. If both teams are in the lower half of the league, the lower place team in the Regional League will be determined by head to head competition during the season



- c. Playoff game must be played within two weeks of end of season
 - i. District team gives the Regional team two dates to choose from
 - ii. District team sets up time, place, and field
 - iii. District team is responsible for referee fees
 - iv. District team sends SOSA the details of game and SOSA shall assign referees

SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES

SOSA will evaluate special circumstances which are not covered above on an individual basis.