

Greenbelt Soccer Alliance Organization and League Information Sheet  
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	Greenbelt Soccer Alliance, Inc
Corporate Identity	Incorporated as a non-profit in Maryland and recognized by the IRS as a Public Charity with 501(c)3 status.
Parent Organizations	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. MD State Youth Soccer Assn (<a href="http://www.msysta.org">www.msysta.org</a>)</li> <li>2. US Youth Soccer Assn (<a href="http://www.usyouthsoccer.org">www.usyouthsoccer.org</a>)</li> <li>3. US Soccer Federation (<a href="http://www.ussoccer.com">www.ussoccer.com</a>)</li> <li>4. FIFA (<a href="http://www.fifa.com">www.fifa.com</a>)</li> </ol>
Short statement of guidelines and offerings.	<p>At Greenbelt SA, we use the recommendations and guidelines of the USSF for how we design our programs. As such, we encourage play according to a pure recreational soccer format following small-sided principals up at least the U11 level. Pure recreational soccer has three main characteristics: no team selection, guaranteed minimum playing time in the games, scores are not recorded and standings are not kept in the leagues. Small-sided soccer is an approach to soccer where the team and field size scale up gradually as the player ages. It is designed to maximize interaction with the ball which is at the heart of developing good ball control skills. Greenbelt SA currently provides access to pure recreational soccer through the PGSI and Takoma leagues. Greenbelt SA, by virtue of being a member of MSYSA, can also support teams that wish to play “travel” soccer in local leagues such as the Baltimore Beltway Soccer League although we do not recommend such play prior to age 11. We also offer a small-sided, summer soccer program that is intramural in nature and designed to be fun, flexible and informal while focusing on the fundamental soccer skills that aid player advancement. All players, coaches and adult officials in Greenbelt SA are covered by accident and liability insurance through MSYSA. For more on GSA philosophy and activities, please refer to <a href="http://www.greenbeltsoccer.org">www.greenbeltsoccer.org</a>.</p>
Corporate Insurance (see insurance certificates for more detail)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. General liability aggregate limitation: \$5,000,000</li> <li>2. Automobile liability combined single limit: \$1,000,000</li> <li>3. Accident Insurance full excess: \$300,000 (\$250 deductible)</li> </ol>
Player and Adult Insurance (players, coaches, GSA officers, etc.-see <a href="http://bollingersoccer.com">bollingersoccer.com</a> for more details)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Accident Insurance Policy Limits <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Accident Medical/Dental Maximum \$300,000</li> <li>2. Accidental Death &amp; Dismemberment \$5,000</li> <li>3. Deductible per claim \$250</li> <li>4. Physical Therapy/Chiropractic benefit \$2,000/\$50 maximum limit per visit</li> <li>5. Benefit Period 52 weeks from date of injury</li> </ol> </li> <li>2. Liability insurance Policy Limits <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Limit of Liability - per occurrence \$1,000,000</li> </ol> </li> </ol>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. Limit of Liability - policy aggregate per location \$5,000,000</li> <li>3. Fire Legal Liability \$300,000</li> <li>4. Medical Expense (to non-participants) \$5,000 Deductible \$0</li> </ul>				
Coach incentives	Coaches of recreational teams receive a discount for the participation of their children in Greenbelt SA programs. Greenbelt SA will reimburse the cost of MSYSA coach training courses up to \$100 per year for a 1-yr commitment to coaching with GSA. There is also a mileage reimbursement that is scaled to the degree of licensing a coach has obtained.				
Scholarships	Instant discounts are given for children enrolled in the Free and Reduced Meal program at a public school.				
Other sports than soccer offered?	No				
Support from the City of Greenbelt	Greenbelt Soccer Alliance is a city of Greenbelt Recognition group. As such it receives support from the City in the form of field permits for its teams to play on, the use of conference room space to hold meetings and performing of background checks for some coaches. Greenbelt SA does not receive any direct financial support from the City.				
Characteristics of leagues currently played in or accessible	PGSI (pgsisoccer.org) GSA recommends small-sided play up to age 12	Takoma (takomasoccer.org) GSA recommends for pure recreational play for age 12 and older.	GSA Summer Soccer (greenbeltsoccer.org)  For all ages up to 18.	BBSL (bbsl.org) GSA recommends delaying play in selected or travel leagues until age 11 or older. We are currently supporting selected teams for play starting at U11.	Anne Arundel Youth Soccer Association (AAYSA) – offers divisions for selected recreational teams. Good for teams not quite ready for travel soccer.
Tryouts	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Registration Deadline	No. Unless team capacity reached	No. Unless team capacity reached	No. Unless team capacity reached	Yes, about 3 months before start of season.	
Birth certificate required	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Divisions determined by	Grade in school	Grade in school	Grade in school. Can move up or down based on skill.	Birthday per USYSA protocol with Aug 1 as the start of the year.	Birthday per USYSA protocol with Aug 1 as the start of the year.
Photo id	No	No	No	Yes	No

Proof of residency	No, but preference given to Greenbelt residents	No, but preference given to Greenbelt residents	No, but preference given to Greenbelt residents	No, but preference given to Greenbelt residents	No, but preference given to Greenbelt residents
Play format	Small-sided. Field size and team size scale up with age.	Generally full-sided (11v11)	Small-sided. 4 v 4 at all ages.	U12 and below play smaller field. U13 and above play full field.	U12 and below play smaller field. U13 and above play full field.
Field size	Ranges from 15 x 30 yd (1 <sup>st</sup> grade) to 30 x 50 yd (6 <sup>th</sup> grade)	Generally full-field	~20x40 yd	Based on age.	Based on age.
Team size	4v4 to 6v6	Generally 11v11	4v4	U11-U12: 8v8. U13 and above play 11v11.	U11-U12: 9v9, U13 and above play 11v11.
Location/times of games	All games, at all age levels, at Magruder/Melrose Park complex on Saturday mornings in Hyattsville	All games at same field at same general time either on Saturday or Sunday morning or afternoon.	All games at Mandan field in the evenings during the week.	Various locations generally within 30 – 60 minutes of Greenbelt.	Various locations generally within 20 – 45 minutes of Greenbelt.
Goalies	No goalies up to 2 <sup>nd</sup> grade. Goalies introduced in 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade. Goalies rotate after each score.	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
Game scores/league standings	Not recorded/not kept	Not recorded/not kept	Not recorded/not kept	Yes.	Yes
Playing time	Guarantee of 50% of every game	Guarantee of 50% of every game	Guarantee of 50% of every game	Guarantee of 50% of every game	Guarantee of 50% of every game
Blow-out rule	If one team is winning by 4 goals, other team	If one team is winning by 4 goals, other team can add a player	Play is intramural format. Teams determined and balanced	None.	None.

	can add a player		at each session.		
Cost	\$40 per season with discounts available. T shirts \$12.	\$50 includes cost of T shirt.	TBD but estimated at \$20.	Budget is for the seasonal year and includes fall, winter, spring sessions, two tournaments and some professional coaching at approximately \$400-\$450/yr.	Budget is for the seasonal year basis and includes fall, winter, spring sessions, two tournaments and some professional coaching at approximately \$350-400/yr.