



Fall 2018 Recreation Program Q&A

Q: What ages of players can participate in the recreation program?

A: Our program ranges from players ages 3 to 14 years old. Our youngest players must turn at least 3 years old before Sept 1, 2018. Our oldest age players must be born in 2004 or later. Players of all skill levels are welcome to participate.

Q: Where do the games/trainings take place?

A: All games will take place at either the Lawrence Intermediate School fields or Armory fields. Both are located off of Eggerts Crossing Road in Lawrence Township.

Q: Do you have to be a Lawrence resident to participate?

A: No, players from all towns are welcome to participate in our program.

Q: When does the program start?

A: The Saturday games start the weekend after Labor Day weekend (Sept 8). We will be offering additional technical training clinics in August for anyone interested. Professional training on Friday evenings begins in late August (August 31).

Q: How can I register?

A: You can register by going to our homepage at www.lawrencehamnett.com

Q: How much does it cost?

A: Our program offers a discounted \$70/player rate if you register and pay before July 13. After that, the standard \$95/player fee applies.

Q: What does this cost include?

A: The cost includes a uniform (which consists of a jersey, shorts, and socks), a team picture, end of season medals/trophies, and access to professional training on Friday evenings at Zimmer Field in partnership with the New York Red Bulls. All players need to supply their own ball, shin guards, and soccer cleats.

Q: Is there financial aid available?

A: Yes, we have financial aid forms available on our website that you can submit. If approved, you will receive either a 35% or 65% discount. The financial aid application form can be found [here](#).

Q: Is the Friday night professional training mandatory?

A: No, this is entirely optional. Players are welcome to participate in only our Saturday games or only our Friday night professional training...or they can participate in *both*...all at the *same base cost*. When registering your player you can choose which of the three options you prefer. Again, the cost is the same regardless.



Q: Are there any games on Sundays?

A: No. Games only would be played on Sundays if there are a significant amount of rainout dates that force Sunday make-up games.

Q: What times are the professional training on Friday nights?

A: The professional training will be spread across 5 different time slots on Friday nights, beginning August 31 and ending Oct 19. Training will take place at Zimmer Field (adjacent to Lawrence Intermediate School fields).

Birth Year	Location	Time Slot
2014 & 2015	Zimmer Field	4:45 to 5:15 pm
2012 & 2013	Zimmer Field	5:15 to 6:00 pm
2009, 2010 & 2011	Zimmer Field	6:00 to 6:55 pm
2007 & 2008	Zimmer Field	6:55 to 7:50 pm
2004, 2005, & 2006	Zimmer Field	7:50 to 8:45 pm

Q: Who will conduct the professional training on Friday nights?

A: The Friday night professional training will be conducted by the New York Red Bulls training staff.

Q: How will the divisions be formed for the league play on Saturdays?

A: The divisions will be in accordance to the United States Youth Soccer Player Development Initiatives and Birth Year mandates. This means divisions will be formed on the basis of birth year; however, many divisions will be comprised of a cluster of adjacent ages.

Q: Will there be any weeknight games?

A: No, there will be no weeknight games.

Q: Will there be weeknight practices?

A: There will be no weeknight practices for 2011 and younger divisions. The first half of their time slot on Saturdays is their practice component. For 2010 and older divisions, weeknight practice is at the discretion of each coach, but is not required of coaches. It is understandable if players are on teams who practice during the week and cannot attend.



Q: What time will the games be on Saturdays?

A: Saturday games are staggered throughout the day and games will take place at only one location during a set time slot.

Birth Year	Division	Location	Time Slot
Boys 2004, 2005, & 2006	9 v 9	Armory	9:45 am
Girls 2004, 2005, & 2006	7 v 7	LIS	11:15 am
Boys 2007 & 2008	7 v 7	LIS	12:30 pm
Girls 2007 & 2008	7 v 7	LIS	1:45 pm
Boys 2009 & 2010	6 v 6	LIS	12:30 pm
Girls 2009 & 2010	6 v 6	LIS	1:45 pm
Boys 2011	5 v 5	Armory	9:45 am
Girls 2011	5 v 5	Armory	9:45 am
Boys 2012	3 v 3	LIS	12:30 pm
Boys 2013	3 v 3	LIS	12:30 pm
Girls 2012 & 2013	3 v 3	LIS	1:45 pm
Coed 2014	3 v 3	LIS	11:15 am
Coed 2015*	3 v 3	LIS	11:15 am

**Must turn 3 before 9/1/2018*

Q: What are the dates to the season?

A: The Saturday league play will take place on the following dates: Sept 8 (opening day), Sept 15, Sept 22, Oct 29, Oct 6, Oct 13, Oct 20, Oct 27, Nov 3 (closing day for younger divisions – 2011 and younger), Nov 10 (rain date), Nov 17 (closing day for older divisions – 2010 and older).

Q: I am interested in coaching. What steps do I need to take?

A: Terrific! We are a volunteer-run organization which relies on volunteer coaches. We require all coaches to successfully complete a background check and strongly encourage all coaches to complete the "F" License coaching course through [New Jersey Youth Soccer](#). The course format is a Friday night classroom session and a Saturday morning/early afternoon practical field session. We received grant monies specifically toward this purpose so we will be reimbursing all of our coaches the entire course fee upon successful completion.



Q: I cannot coach but still want to help. Are there any other ways that I can help?

A: Three ways in which you can help would be:

Community Outreach: *Promote our soccer programs to families in the local area. Represent our club at various community events.*

Fundraising: *Help plan and implement fundraisers which also help build community engagement.*

Concession Stand: *Purchase water, pretzels, gatorade, ice and other items for sale on game day. Help setup and breakdown the tent and tables used for concessions each Saturday. Staff the tables at 1-2 shifts throughout the season.*

Email recinfo@lawrencehamnett.com to inquire about ways you can help our organization.