

Trialist

Definition of teams.

"Team in Need" = Team short of player requiring extra player(s) - (trialist).

"Supplying Team" = Team who will be sending the "Team in Need" extra player(s) - (trialist).

Requirements of teams

"Team in Need" - Team numbers short to the point of not being able to have proper substitutions.

or

Coach of a higher team providing an opportunity for a developing player on a lower team to play with his team to show case his/her abilities.

"Supplying Team" -

The coach of the "Supplying Team" will decide which of his/her players shall go as a "Trialist".

The Supplying Coach's decision on which players to send up-

"can" be based on, but **"not"** exclusive to:

- Advanced technical ability.
- Confidence
- Coaching motivation
- Reward for relative improvement and consistent hard work.

The Supplying Coach should always use this as a reward for the trialist for areas that the coach has identified and now give the trialist a development opportunity to be challenged at an older age or higher level.

The "Coach in Need" should provide the "Supplying Coach" with feedback on how the trialist did under his/her charge.

The Process

1- "Team in Need" coach shall contact the "Supplying Team" coach with the request for player(s) in writing. Include accurate game detail, date, time, location and number of players. Provide as much early notice as possible with consideration to all parties involved.

** "Team in Need" coach is to **never** directly contact "Supplying Team" players or parents.

** This process shall only involve the two Head Coaches, no managers or assistant coaches.

** SPDSA and TD or Designate should be cc'd on all correspondence to ensure respective league rules and processes are followed.

2- "Supplying Team" Coach should make this a development opportunity for his/her player(s) and the decision of which players will be sent to the "Team in Need" should reflect this.

3. "Supplying Team" coach will have the final decision on which of his/her player(s) will be trialist, NOT the "Team in Need" coach.

4- "Supplying Team" coach:

- to contact and inform the parents and the player(s) of the trialist game details.
- to fill out trialist form for **his/her** player(s) to bring with them to the game to give to the "Team in Need" coach.
- to fill out SPDSA online trialist form indicating which player(s) will be trialist(s).

5. Opportunity for our teams to cooperate and work together in the spirit of player development.

EIYSA/EMSA

“Supplying Team” coach **should always** be versed on respective league rules before committing player(s) as trialist. If unclear on league trialist rules always contact SPDSA for assistance.

For EIYSA games the trialist(s) must possess a EIYSA players card or an EIYSA trialist card.

Turn around time for non-carded player to obtain a trialist card for EIYSA is 3 days. So timely planning for EIYSA is advised.

EMSA players can play as trialist for EIYSA teams.

EiSYA players can play as trialist for EMSA teams.

EMSA games do not require any trialist carding. Just the EMSA trialist form completed and brought to the game.