

General Information

In efforts to continue to provide information regarding the EA Sports BC Soccer Premier League and its technical guidelines, policies and its developmental advantages, please find below valuable information and answers to frequently asked questions regarding the evaluation, re-evaluations and selection of players within the EA Sports BC Soccer Premier League.

What is the EA Sports BC Soccer Premier League and why should my son or daughter play in this league?

It is the goal of BC Soccer to continue to be committed to a comprehensive approach to improve player development in British Columbia, ultimately, to make Canada a stronger soccer nation. Part of the broad-based plan was the creation and development of a High Performance League in BC.

This league is known as the "EA SPORTS BC SOCCER PREMIER LEAGUE"

The EA Sports BC Soccer Premier League will deliver on the following key development initiatives;

- ✓ Supports CSA's "Player First" mentality and it's Long Term Player Development strategy
- ✓ Harmonizes all high performance levels of programming
- ✓ Eliminates congestion and provides greater clarity for all stakeholders
- ✓ Works within existing and supporting structures
- ✓ Drives improvements to all aspects of high performance soccer

2001 Born Player Evaluation & Selection Process

In efforts to continue to provide information regarding the newly formed EA Sports BC Soccer Premier League and its technical guidelines, policies and their developmental advantages, below is some valuable information and answers to frequently asked questions regarding the evaluation, assessment and selection of players within the EA Sports BC Soccer Premier League.

Where can my son / daughter born in the year 2001 be evaluated for potential selection to the EA Sports BC Soccer Premier League?

The EA Sports BC Soccer Premier League is made up of eight (8) founding member clubs. Each of these clubs is responsible for the implementation of a evaluating and assessment program within each of their clubs. For more information on these clubs please go to official website and click on the club logo for more information regarding their evaluation and assessment program.

For more information on the start dates please contact clubs through their official website to see schedule and information regarding the process.

COQUITLAM METRO FORD SOCCER CLUB – www.cmfsc.ca
FUSION FC – www.fusionfc.ca
MOUNTAIN UNITED FC – www.mufc.ca
SURREY UNITED SC – www.surreyunitedbcspl.ca
VANCOUVER ISLAND WAVE – www.lowerislandsoccer.com
MAGNUSON FORD MARINERS FC – www.marinersfc.ca
THOMSON OKANAGAN FC – www.thompsonokanaganfc.com
COASTAL FC – www.coastalfc.ca



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When do evaluations begin and when do they end?

To assist with the overall process the EA Sports BC Soccer Premier League and its Technical Subcommittee has established and agreed evaluation and assessment window.

This window of time is the following;

Member Clubs may begin evaluations and assessments on **Friday February 15th 2013**All member clubs must complete the evaluation and assessment process by **Sunday March 10th 2013**

*Please Note: Due to specific and regional circumstances evaluation and assessment window for Thompson Okanagan member (TOFC) will not take place during the above mentioned window. Please visit TOFC website for details on regionally delivered evaluation and assessment window.

How do I register my son or daughter for these evaluations?

Each EA Sports BC Soccer Premier League member club has established its own schedule and registration process for the evaluations and assessments. Please consult the club websites listed above for further details.

What can I expect at the EA Sports BC Soccer Premier League member club evaluations and assessments?

As per the EA Sports BC Soccer Premier League Technical Operations Manual, all evaluations and assessments must be conducted within an environment which provides for the health and safety of the players participating and should follow the following guidelines;

- ✓ Maximum number of players within each session to provide responsible environment for evaluations
- ✓ Responsible players to coach ratio as it relates to the evaluators and assessors
- ✓ Provide technical and match playing environments to assess player age specific competencies
- ✓ Provide access to information regarding the overall process from beginning to end

If my son or daughter is approached by an individual from the member club following the evaluation and assessment to join the member club team within his/her age group do we need to agree immediately?

No! However, as a parent of a son or daughter participating within the evaluation and assessment process you are free to agree to join a member club who has approached you after the evaluations and assessments.

The framework and support surrounding such a decision may include the following;

- 1. Your son or daughter is a longtime member of the member club and its development programming
- 2. As a longtime member you are satisfied with the overall development programming being provided to your son or daughter within the member club
- 3. Member club resides within your community
- 4. Pleased with the service, communication and opportunity being granted your son or daughter
- 5. Member club, age group team and coaching staff meet your expectations for the overall development of your son or daughter
- 6. You have no interest in joining any other member club



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Are players allowed to attend multiple evaluations and assessments at other member clubs?

Yes! Players are allowed to attend multiple evaluations and assessments at other EA Sports BC Soccer Premier League member clubs but it is not encouraged if you are not serious about joining the member club hosting the evaluations? In addition it is the agreement of the technical subcommittee and its members (who include the eight (8) member club technical directors) to discuss with all players and parents who are participating within the member clubs evaluation and assessments their true motivation if these players are coming from other jurisdiction's within the EA Sports BC Soccer Premier League.

What are some of the selection protocols I should be aware of if my son or daughter is participating within the evaluations and assessments?

It is the goal of the EA Sports BC Soccer Premier League to promote a responsible and positive experience within the evaluation and assessment process. The following are not acceptable practices within this process and if you encounter any of these practices you are advised to report them to the Soccer Development Department of BC Soccer.

- 1. You are asked to sign an agreement for your son or daughter to commit to a team immediately following evaluation and assessment
- 2. You are given a short time frame (e.g. 24 hours) to commit to a team following the evaluation and assessments
- 3. You are asked to supply a deposit to guarantee your son or daughters position within a team of a member club following the evaluation and assessments. (Please note that some member clubs may require existing players within their club to pay a portion of the next seasons registration fee as part of the evaluation)
- 4. Member club coaching staff uses pressure tactics to convince you to agree to have your son or daughter join a member club team

When is the deadline to commit to an EA Sports BC Soccer Premier League team?

Evaluations and assessments will be completed on **Sunday March 10th 2013.**

Member clubs will begin to look for commitment following the March 10th date if you have not already accepted an invitation to join a team with a member club of the EA Sports BC Soccer Premier League.

How many players may be on an EA Sports BC Soccer Premier League team?

The official roster of players may not exceed eighteen (18) players at this level of play.

For further information on the EA Sports BC Soccer Premier League please go to: www.bcsoccerpremierleague.net

