



Mountain View
Los Altos
Soccer Club

PIM: **Practice Field Allocation**

PIM 2006-001 Practice Field Allocation

The following guidelines will be used by the MVLA Soccer Club Field coordinator to help insure a fair and equitable practice field allocation for all teams in the club. This PIM further defines the Club Field Coordinators position as defined in section 2:02:01:H in the MVLA Constitution.

Policy Interpretation:

1. Registered teams actively participating, or within 8 weeks of participating, in any league, tournament, state cup and/or regional or national play are *eligible* for field allocations. *Priority* for field allocation applies during actual play in such events or up to 3 week prior to start of event (exception requires Board review and agreement).
2. The field coordinator may choose any 2 field assignments total, if desired, prior to any other team assignments. This privilege may not be transferred to another team. In the event the field coordinator has no team(s), this privilege is void. The field coordinator may invite another team(s) to share the resource.
3. Teams participating in the following events/leagues get priority choice of field assignments in rank order:
 - a. USYSA State, Regional, or National championships (priority on 2x90 minute slots)
 - b. Platinum or higher or college showcase tournament (priority on 2x90 minute slots)
 - c. Association Cup or Gold tournament (priority on 2x60 minute slots)
 - d. Class 1/Gold playing league or higher, (1x90 or 2x60 minute slots)
 - e. Silver tournament or silver playing league
 - f. All other playing leagues or tournaments
 - g. All other
4. Teams will be re-evaluated monthly to determine practice field allocation priority and adjustments made if changes occur.
5. Tournament rankings will be taken from www.gotsoccer.com
6. All teams get 1 practice (if they wish for one) before any team gets more than 2
7. Teams who rank lower on the list may have practices cancelled or moved more frequently than higher ranking teams, however, such events shall be rotated and shared equally whenever possible
8. In the event of extreme or prolonged shortages, teams may be required to share practice fields with one or more teams. The same criteria used for ranking will be used to determine double or triple assignments. No team will be asked to triple up in a space before other teams, even top ranking ones, are asked to double up.
9. The field coordinator may offer unexpected resources to all teams on a first come, first served basis. This includes a new resource or a last minute cancellation of a resource by another team. In such cases, Field Coordinator may, at his/her discretion, establish an application window within which relative rankings may determine how to allocate such surplus resources.
10. The Club field allocation policy shall be posted in an appropriate place and in a timely manner.
11. Age of team may be considered when allocating practice resources; younger teams may be required to use smaller fields, share a field with more teams.
12. When field resources are especially scarce, the field coordinator may consider other factors in allocated fields, including but not limited to:
 - a. Number of players that typically come to practice or amount of space a team needs for their training plan in a given span of time
 - b. Number of past violations of club field usage rules (including but not limited to poaching, litter, storage requirements, headcount limitations, etc.) (duration of probation period must be specified)
 - c. Number of no-shows for reservations made and accepted (duration of probation period must be specified).
 - d. Number of forfeits team has committed in league or tournament.
 - e. Any other league- or tournament- or club-imposed sanctions or disciplinary actions affecting a team's club standing.
13. Any team adversely affected by the use of such factors shall be so informed.