



Greater Seattle Surf Premier Soccer Club

Parent Information Guide 2017-2018

Welcome to GS Surf! We are looking forward to our club's second season of premier soccer. Our directors are fine tuning the training program and are looking forward to a successful 2017-2018 season for all of our teams at GS Surf Soccer Club.

GS Surf Club Fees for 2017-2018

Premier 2009 and 2008 Teams playing 7 vs 7 \$1,800

Premier 2007-1999 Teams \$2,300

A \$100 per player discount is offered to families paying the full club fee for two or more players in the club. This discount will be applied to your account mid-August. For families that pay fees in full, a check will be mailed.

Our fitness programs focus on injury prevention (with an emphasis on ACL prevention), conditioning, quickness, agility and flexibility. Professional fitness trainers work with GS Surf players and coaches to design age and ability appropriate exercise/training programs. Our technical training (2009-2004) programs focus on individual technical skill development. GS Surf technical staff and coaches work with GS Surf players during three separate technical training periods throughout the year. Our functional training (2003-1999) programs focus on individual and small group technical skill and tactical decision making development. GS Surf technical staff and coaches work with GS Surf players during two separate functional training periods throughout the year.

GS Surf Club Fees pay for the following club expenses:

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| a. Player Registration Fee | g. Technical & Functional Training |
| b. Club Administrative Fees | h. Referee Fees |
| c. Head/Assistant Coach Salary | i. Field Rental Fees |
| d. Speed & Agility Training (2003-1999) | j. WYS League Fee (RCL) |
| e. Technical & Coaching Director Salaries | k. State Cup Fee |
| f. Goalkeeper Training | |

Additional Costs:

Team Fees

Costs not covered by the club fees are summer tournament fees, team equipment, coach travel expenses, etc. These costs are higher for older teams traveling to out-of-state tournaments, but for most players will be \$200-\$300.

Raffle Ticket Fundraising Event

Each player will be required to purchase 5 Raffle Tickets (\$100 per player) that can be sold to friends, relatives or others, or kept for a chance to win a new car (make and model to be announced). Proceeds from the raffle will be used to support scholarships and pay general club costs. There will be an opportunity to sell additional tickets to raise money to defray team and travel fees.

The \$100 will be in addition to the club fees listed above (e.g., Club Fees \$2300 + Raffle \$100 = \$2400). Raffle tickets will be distributed in November. More information will be forthcoming.

Uniforms

Uniforms are not included in Club Fees and will be ordered through soccer.com. The basic kit includes two jerseys, one pair of shorts, 2 pairs of socks and training top, shorts and socks. Youth basic kit cost is approximately \$185 and the adult kit cost is approximately \$195.

How to Register

Go to the GS Surf website at: gssurfsc.org. Select the Registration tab and follow the prompts to complete the registration process. **Please be prepared to upload a birth certificate or passport and a head shot of your player at the time of registration if you did not upload them previously.**

Payment Options

There are two payment methods available: credit/debit card payment or e-check payment from your bank account. Payment options available are: payment in full, monthly auto payment plan for 9 months or a 3 auto payment plan over 7 months (1st payment upon registration, 2nd and 3rd payments 3 and 6 months after registration).

There are processing fees associated with both auto payment plans. All payments after the initial payment are assessed a \$5 service fee (\$40 if you sign up for the 9 payment plan and \$10 for the 3 payment plan). If you select the 9 month payment plan and set up e-check auto payments we will credit your account \$20, so your fee per auto payment is only \$2.50 (\$20 total). E-check payments have a smaller service fee so we will pass that savings on to you.

Scholarships

GS Surf is committed to making premier-level soccer training available to children of all income levels. Generally, partial scholarships are granted to families who qualify according to their income level. For a complete explanation of the Scholarship Program, please go to gssurfsc.org. Application forms are available on the club website under Parent Resources: Forms.

Coaches

For a complete list and bios of all the outstanding Greater Seattle Surf directors and coaches please go to our club website gssurfsc.org.

Field Locations

Greater Seattle Surf enjoys first-rate facilities owned by the Northshore School District, Edmonds School District, Edmonds Community College, King County and the cities of Bothell, Woodinville and Mountlake Terrace.

Training Schedules

Most teams train three times a week. Training locations and times can change throughout the year. Usual training days are Monday-Thursday and most training sessions are 1.5 hours in length beginning at 5:30, 6:00, 7:00 or 7:30 pm.

Pre-Season Tournaments

Most teams participate in three or more summer tournaments around Western Washington. Older teams may participate in out-of-state tournaments. Tournaments are a great opportunity for the players and families to bond, have fun, and create great memories of their competitive soccer days. They are also an important tool in gauging a team's developmental benchmarks and preparing for league play.

League Play

Greater Seattle Surf premier teams compete in the top league in the state of Washington, the Regional Club League (RCL) of Washington Youth Soccer (WYS). The RCL offers teams aged 2009 to 2004 a fall and winter season. In order to maximize most players' desire to play on their high school teams, the high school boys' season is in the fall; and the high school girls' season is in the winter.

Post-Season State Cup Tournaments

State cup play begins at the end of RCL season play with a guarantee of at least three games. After the elimination round, teams continue to play until they lose or compete in the tournament final.

Anticipated Seasons by Age/Gender (Year of Birth)

G/B 2009-2008 Premier Teams

2009/2008 teams play 7 vs 7. 2007/2006 teams play 9 vs 9 compared to 2005-1999 teams who play 11 vs 11.

- Pre-Season Summer Training/Tournaments: May – August
- Fall League Games: September – November (down time over December winter break to be determined by the Technical Directors and age group coaches)
- Winter League Games: January – March
- State Cup for 7 vs 7 teams: March – April

G/B 2007-2004 Premier Teams

- Pre-Season Summer Training/Tournaments: May – August
- Fall League Games: September – November (down time over December winter break to be determined by the Technical Directors and age group coaches)
- Winter League Games: January – March
- State Cup: March – April

BOYS 2003-1999 Premier Teams

- B02 8th graders will compete in a supplemental spring league organized by the RCL
- Pre-Season Summer Training/Tournaments: May – August
- Fall League Games: September – December
- State Cup: January – February
- High School Season: March – May (potential limited club involvement during this time)

GIRLS 2003-1999 Premier Teams

- Pre-Season Summer Training/Tournaments: May – early August
- High School Season: late August – mid-November (potential limited club involvement during this time)
- G03 8th graders will compete in a supplemental fall league organized by the RCL
- Winter League Games: December – March
- State Cup: April – May

Parent Involvement

GS Surf is a volunteer run organization and families are encouraged to volunteer service to their team and to the Club. Volunteer opportunities are available throughout the year. Each team relies on a manager, treasurer, fundraising coordinator, team representative and other volunteers. Please consider offering your time in one of these positions. In addition, the Club needs volunteers to help with several events throughout the year, including the Annual Auction on September 30, 2017.

Questions or want to volunteer?

Please let us know if you have any questions. You can email or call the club at: info@gssurfsc.org or 425-899-SURF