



GRAND ISLAND SOCCER CLUB U10 TRAVEL SOCCER FAQ'S

What is travel soccer?

Travel soccer is a more competitive level of soccer. It is the logical next step after being introduced to the game through recreational soccer (house league).

Who should play travel soccer?

Players that have been introduced to the game, enjoy playing the game, and want to improve their skills are perfect candidates for travel soccer.

What are the benefits of travel soccer?

Travel soccer is the way for kids to really learn the game, and develop their skills in an effective manner. The kids will develop through dynamic practice sessions with higher level coaches and competitive games. The focus throughout will be on repetitive touches of the ball. In travel soccer, the kids are surrounded by other players that enjoy the game and are also developing their skills in the same manner, which will lead to further development for all players.

Isn't travel soccer a huge commitment?

While travel soccer is a commitment, it is very reasonable. Practice sessions will take place in the fall, winter and spring. All teams will play games on Friday evenings in the late spring (starts early May) and summer (concludes end of July), while some teams will also play additional games in the winter at the coach's discretion. The typical commitment is 2 days per week, and coaches are usually flexible and sensitive to some conflicts.

How old does my child have to be to tryout for U10?

To play U10 travel soccer, your child must have been born between August 1, 2000 and July 31, 2003.

My child seems too young for U10 travel soccer?

Actually, it is important to learn the game when the kids are as young as possible. Skills with the ball are the most important part of the game, and are much easier to learn when they are young. Also, we have more than 1 team at U10 for both the boys and girls. Typically, there is a boy's team and girl's team made up of the youngest U10 players (8 and 9 year olds) that will play together.

I am worried that my child will not make the travel team?

Again, we have more than 1 team at U10 for both the boys and girls. Last season, we had 4 teams for the boys and 3 teams for the girls. As long as we have qualified players, we will field as many teams as possible. In the event that your child isn't placed on a team, the club will offer and suggest alternative programs to help them develop their skills.

I have more questions or need more information about travel soccer?

The following link will provide even more details about travel soccer ...<http://www.gisoccerclub.org/files/GISC-2011-Travel-TryoutsInfo.pdf>. You can also contact Mike Rudney, Grand Island Travel Coordinator, at travel@gisoccerclub.org if you have further questions.

I would like to register my child to tryout for U10 travel soccer?

You can register via the following link... <http://www.gisoccerclub.org/GISC-Travel.aspx>. If you have any questions or problems with registration, you can also contact Lisa Harrigan, Grand Island Registrar, at registrar@gisoccerclub.org.