



Tryout/Evaluation Policy (5171) Subject to Change Each Seasonal Year

Definition of Tryout/Evaluation Window: A tryout/Evaluation window is any event held to select members for a club or team for the forthcoming seasonal year. Events such as camps, play dates, training facilities, or clinics are not considered tryout/evaluation events. Still, if a member association hosts a camp, play date, training facility, or clinic, it must adhere to ASA Policy 5171.

Tryout/Evaluation Window Time Frame (dates will be published each seasonal year.

The tryout/Evaluation window for the 2026-2027 seasonal year for 11U and older will begin on May 4, 2026.

The tryout/Evaluation window for the 2026-2027 seasonal year for 10U and younger will begin on April 27, 2026.

All age groups listed herein are for the upcoming season. All tryouts must be completed no later than June 30th. ASA will not recognize any registrations, registration contracts, registration fees, team placeholders, and/or deposits received prior to the tryout/evaluation start date(s) listed above.

A player/family who sends **in writing** within 4 days of their signed "commitment" to a club shall be offered a full refund of any fee/deposit/placeholder or downpayment collected to that point during the seasonal year, which includes during the tryout period (minus confirmed/proved system processing or CC fees incurred by the club for such registration, with a max of 5% of payment) (The Start dates listed above until the following season try out window) Ex. The player is new to town or was previously uncommitted to an ASA organization, makes a commitment to Club A on 11/3/26, and requests a refund in writing on 11/5/26, the full refund of any fees/deposits collected on/prior to/or until the requested date would be granted. If the request comes after the appropriate window, it can be declined or a club's discretion. Families cannot be held liable for any additional contractual season fees (training, events, reg etc) until after May 31 of that seasonal season.

Example: Family X signs a commitment on 5/22/26; they have four (4) calendar days, including the date the commitment is signed. Thus, if a refund is requested in writing (**verbal not accepted**) between 5/22/26 and 5/25/26 a full refund must be granted (minus CC/Processing fees listed above).

Part c) Clubs Soliciting Players: No representative of a member Association within ASA shall be permitted to INITIATE contact, in any form or method, for registration to their club or team outside of defined tryout /evaluation window (part a and b above). Representatives of a member association as defined as board members, coaches, assistant coaches, managers, parents, players' parents, players' guardians, players' siblings, players themselves or a registered member of that club.

Part d) Players Soliciting Clubs: If a player registered to a member Association within ASA is seeking other options outside of the defined tryout/evaluation window (part a and part b) to another member Association within ASA, they have the right to do so. However, it is the responsibility of that member to receive written permission from their current club prior to seeking these options. Once written permission is received, from their current club, the member may speak to any other ASA member association. Players are defined as players themselves, players' parents, players' guardians and players' siblings.

Part e) Recreational Players: This by-law does not apply to Recreational Players. Recreational players are defined as any player that participates in an in-house recreational program, offered by a member ASA organization that does not compete against other ASA organizations. Players registered as recreational players of any ASA membership organization have the right to seek other options at any time, to other ASA membership organizations and its programs without receiving permission from their current member association.

Part f) Infractions: Any infraction of this policy may be brought forth to ASA, in writing, by affected party(ies) which is defined as an official complaint. The complaint will be heard by the Discipline and Appeals committee within 30 days after officially receiving the written complaint. If person(s) are determined guilty through a proper hearing, suspension could range from a minimum of 6 months to a maximum of 2 years. If repeated offenses occur for particular person(s), suspensions could be a minimum of 2 years to maximum of 10 years.