

RANDOLPH SOCCER CLUB

Travel Soccer Program Information

Randolph Soccer Club is committed to the promotion of youth soccer by offering a challenging educational program, which provides a level of training and competition commensurate with the ability and interest of the participants. The foundation of our program is the development of both individual and team skills while emphasizing good sportsmanship, athletic skills, leadership, character, teamwork, and team spirit.

RSC may form one or more full-year teams at a given age group from 8U through 15U based on the number of players trying out and their skill level. Teams are formed primarily with players residing in Randolph Township. However, non-Randolph players can play for Randolph Soccer Club's teams. RSC does limit the number of non-residents to 20% of the club's total players.

Travel soccer represents an increased level of commitment and competition compared to recreational soccer. All Randolph Soccer Club teams are **professionally trained** twice per week for an hour and a half each session during the fall and spring portions of the travel soccer season.

In addition, all RSC teams participate in both Fall and Spring league seasons. For 9U and older, each season typically consists of 8-10 games (usually 1/week on Sundays). For 8U teams, RSC leadership will review competition options and determine the best fit. Ideally, it will be a series of 4v4 competitions at which players will play multiple short games, usually on Saturday. The fall season runs from September into the second half of November. The spring portion runs from April into the second half of June. Teams have the option to decide whether to participate in tournaments over the course of the year in addition to league play. In the winter, RSC teams offer an optional indoor training session, usually once per week. For 8U, the trainer will attend a portion of the festivals, with parent coach coverage otherwise. For 9U and up, games are coached by a professional trainer.

Playing time is decided by a team's trainer, taking into consideration a player's commitment to the team (related to practice and game attendance). Randolph SC's policy is that committed players for 8U should play a minimum 50% of the time at a competition. 9U & 10U should play 40% of the time in league games, while committed players for 11U and up should play at least 25% of the time in league games.

RSC leadership works to hold club fees a stable as possible from year to year. 2024-25 club fees are still to be determined. For the 2023-24 season as a point of comparison, Randolph Soccer Club's per player fee was \$850 for 8U; \$1,145 for 9U-15U. This club fee includes the cost of professional training for the Fall and Spring, the cost of all league games and referee fees, the cost of professional game day coaching, and the cost of using Randolph Township fields throughout the year. Teams that opt to play in any additional leagues, tournaments and to do winter training do so at their own additional expense.

2024-25 is the first year of a new two-year uniform cycle for the club. All RSC players will be required to purchase a new Nike uniform kit. The required kit costs a bit over \$100. The kit consists of 2 shirts, 2 pairs of shorts, and 2 pairs of socks. Uniform ordering is done via the RSC online store with Ewing Sports.

Keep an eye on the club's website (www.randolphsoccer.org) for updates on tryouts/the team formation process. Players being offered a spot on an RSC team will receive a communication from the club, likely in the form of an email. To accept a spot on a team, a player will need to make a payment by a deadline. Player club fees are non-refundable. Custom payment plans and financial assistance are available.

If you have any questions about Randolph Soccer Club's program, please contact: Tammy McConnell RSC President RandolphSC.NJ@gmail.com