



# Tiburon Peninsula Soccer Club 2009 Competitive Team Tryouts

Welcome to the 2009 TPSC Competitive Team tryouts for boys and girls. All players looking to develop their soccer skills to their fullest potential are welcome and encouraged to attend. TPSC staff coaches will be running the tryouts and are responsible for selecting players for teams. Players are encouraged to attend all tryouts for their age group.

*Please note, only Coaches and Players are allowed on the field or track during the tryout.*

## TODAY'S TRYOUTS

The players today will be trying out for approximately 1½ hours. They will move from section to section with an evaluator, who will judge them on their ability to perform the fundamental building blocks of soccer (ball control, dribbling, passing, shooting, and game sense). One area will also be devoted to goalkeeping. In addition to technical skills, evaluators will also be looking at a player's attitude and ability to focus.



## TPSC COMPETITIVE PROGRAM

The TPSC Competitive Program provides an exciting experience for players who show the talent, desire and commitment to go beyond recreational soccer.

TPSC typically sponsors competitive teams in one-year age groups. When there are not sufficient numbers in an age group, we will sometimes field a team in a two-year age band. At times when we have a number of players at a higher skill level, we may field teams designated to play in a more advanced playing league.

For both players and parents the Competitive Program represents a serious commitment.

### Time Commitment

Teams practice weekly, and during the regular season play games each weekend – either one or two league games, or in scheduled tournaments. Participation in practices and games is mandatory. Our professional coaches expect players to be on time and focused. Practices begin once a week during the Spring. Following Summer break, Boot Camp takes place in early August for two weeks, followed by twice-weekly practices through the end of season.

Families are asked to schedule vacations in order for players to be available for Boot Camp, and for all league games, tournaments and practices, from early August through the end of the season. Parents are also asked to provide volunteer support for their teams, in the form of team management, tournament help, fund raising and other activities.

**Travel**

Competitive soccer requires travel to league games throughout Marin, Sonoma and Napa. Additionally, teams typically play in three tournaments in the Bay Area, or possibly elsewhere in Northern California; and will participate in post-season tournaments (normally January/February). It is the club’s goal to determine the appropriate selection of tournaments to ensure competitiveness, skill development and enjoyment of the game.

**Costs**

The estimated cost per player is approximately \$1,450 to \$1,650 (depending on age group and level of play) which covers player registration, coaching fees, practices, fields, insurance, and games. Some team expenses, uniforms, tournament fees and individual travel expenses to tournaments are additional costs.

**AFTER TRYOUTS**

Within four days of the final tryout you will be notified by phone regarding your child’s placement within the TPSC Competitive Program. If your child is selected for a team, you will be required to complete a registration form and pay a deposit in order to secure your child’s place.

Following selection, team meetings will be scheduled in late March or early April. The agenda will include an introduction to the TPSC staff who will be working with your child, further details about the Competitive Program and pre-season schedule, sizing for uniforms, and enlistment of team volunteers.

We wish the best of luck to all the players during tryouts. Every player who shows up is to be congratulated for their efforts.

In the meantime, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to speak with any member of the TPSC staff at tryouts, or send an email to: [comp\\_committee@tiburonsoccer.org](mailto:comp_committee@tiburonsoccer.org).

Thank you for your participation.

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