

# PREMIER SPRING SHOWCASE & FESTIVAL 2024 LEVELS OF PLAY



## OVERVIEW

Our events draw teams from different parts of Canada and the USA. Different areas have different definitions for levels of play have different game formats. This can create confusion for teams looking to register. As a result, we have tried to provide information sheet to assist clubs with their placement at the time of registration.

## TIERS

We are simplifying our registration by using tiers 1, 2, 3, and 4. These will take on slightly different meanings depending on the age. Please review your age group carefully to register and place your team correctly.

### U9 to U10

These age groups are considered **SMALL SIDED**.

These age groups associate to the following birth years:

- U9 = 2015 (7v7)
- U10 = 2014 (7v7)

We will offer ONE tier of Development in these age groups.

### U11 TO U13

These age groups are considered **SMALL SIDED**.

These age groups associate to the following birth years:

- U11 = 2013 (8v8)
- U12 = 2012 (8v8)
- U13 = 2011 (9v9)

We will offer **THREE** tiers of play in these age groups, as follows:

- Tier 1 (top level development teams)
- Tier 2 (mid-range development teams)
- Tier 3 (lower range development teams or top recreational/house teams)

## CHANGE AT U13 (2011)

Per BC Soccer, in 2023, U13 will be considered small sided and play 9 v 9. It will be played on a smaller field and without scores or standings kept.

For those teams, who play in areas where they play 11v11, we will allow these teams to register in U14 to accommodate their roster size and play the format that they are used to. In this case we would recommend that teams register in a lower level of play to account for the fact that they are playing older teams.

## U14 TO U18

These age groups associate to the following birth years:

- U14 = 2010
- U15 = 2009
- U16 = 2008
- U17 = 2007
- U18 = 2006

## THESE AGE GROUPS WILL ALL PLAY 11 V 11

We will offer **FOUR** tiers of play in these age groups, as follows:

**TIER 1** (Premier / top level of play in your area. In Vancouver this would be the BCSPL)

**TIER 2** (2nd level of play. In Vancouver this would be considered Metro for 2008 and older and Division 1 for 2009 and 2010.)

**TIER 3** (3rd level of play. In Vancouver this would be considered Division 1 for 2008 and older and Division 2 for 2009 and 2010.)

**TIER 4** (4th level of play. In Vancouver this would be considered Division 2 for 2008 and older and Division 3 for 2009 and 2010)

## CONCLUSION

Please ensure the placement of your team is accurate at the time of registration. If you are unsure, please email us to assist.

The tournament will not be responsible if you register in the wrong age and/or level. We cannot promise that we can move your team later, if you register incorrectly.