

WRSA Programming Changes in U14 and U17

Why we are making the changes:

Due to the low numbers in each community in the U14 Boys, U14 Girls, U17 Boys, and U17 Girls age divisions, we have adjusted to a smaller playing format. A smaller playing format means that we will use less players on the field, while using a smaller field. This will allow each community to require less players for teams. This will ensure that all registered players will be able to play in a soccer league this spring.

The alternative would be cancelling the U14 and U17 age divisions outright, due to not having enough players in those divisions, thus resulting in **162 players** not having a place to play. The WRSA, as well as the communities, want all players to be able to play soccer.

We thank you for your understanding, and the assistance in finding a positive solution to provide to the families, and more importantly, the players.

Changes:

- **U17 Boys**
- 5v5 (including GK)
- Number registered region wide: 34 players
- This would constitute a 4-team league (Brandon, Minnedosa, Neepawa, Southwest United)
- As it is a 4 team league, in a two week span, you will play 3 games and have 1 practice across your 4 nights of play
- An example of the schedule would be:

Week 1

Tuesday Game

Thursday Game

Week 2

Tuesday Practice

Thursday Game

- **U17 Girls**
- 9v9 (including GK)
- Number registered region wide: 52 players
- This would constitute a 4-team league (Brandon 1, Brandon 2, Minnedosa, Neepawa)
- As it is a 4 team league, in a two week span, you will play 3 games and have 1 practice across your 4 nights of play
- An example of the schedule could look like:

Week 1

Monday Game

Wednesday Game

Week 2

Monday Practice

Wednesday Game

- **U14 Boys**
- 7v7 (Including GK) - as Minnedosa and Neepawa only have 10
- Number registered region wide: 47 players
- This would mean a 4-team league (Brandon 1, Brandon 2, Minnedosa, Neepawa)
- As it is a 4 team league, in a two week span, you will play 3 games and have 1 practice across your 4 nights of play
- An example of the schedule could look like:

Week 1
 Monday Game
 Wednesday Game

Week 2
 Monday Practice
 Wednesday Game

- **U14 Girls**
- 9v9 (including GK)
- Number registered region wide: 29 players
- This would make it a 3-team league (Brandon, Minnedosa, Neepawa)
- As it is a 3-team league, you will have practices booked in on the night of play in which the other two teams are playing each other in the league
- An example of the schedule could look like:

Day	Schedule	Game	Practice
Tuesday	Team 1	Team 2	Team 3
Thurs	Team 1	Team 3	Team 2
Tuesday	Team 2	Team 3	Team 1
Thurs	Team 1	Team 2	Team 3
Tuesday	Team 1	Team 3	Team 2
Thurs	Team 2	Team 3	Team 1

The 5v5 rules are attached.

The 9v9 and 7v7 rules will be the same as our other divisions. We can make a document and also get them out closer to league play.