

## US SOCCER DEVELOPMENTAL INITIATIVE

The US Soccer Developmental Initiative is a big change that will affect the way we run our clubs and league. This Initiative includes age cutoff, field size, team sizing, and some rule changes. We need to work to implement these changes by the 2017-2018 fall season for all WVYSA League games. EPYSA is mandating that the age cutoff change take affect for the 2016-2017 fall season, just a little over 6 months away.

	U6	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11	U12
2016-17	Born in 2011	Born in 2010	Born in 2009	Born in 2008	Born in 2007	Born in 2006	Born in 2005
2017-18	Born in 2012	Born in 2011	Born in 2010	Born in 2009	Born in 2008	Born in 2007	Born in 2006

	U13	U14	U15	U16	U17	U18	U19
2016-17	Born in 2004	Born in 2003	Born in 2002	Born in 2001	Born in 2000	Born in 1999	Born in 1998
2017-18	Born in 2005	Born in 2004	Born in 2003	Born in 2002	Born in 2001	Born in 2000	Born in 1999

The birth year change may cause teams to shuffle around a bit. This may be difficult for the first year or two. Children can still play up with their old teammates should they now fall to a lower age group.