

USSF minimum International Clearance (ITC) requirements:

Teams playing in the Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup

As these teams apply and are selected for the Open Cup, this process will be completely handled by U.S. Soccer staff

Teams playing in the Development Academy

Please note these are only players that register and play in the DA

Teams with a legal, financial or de facto tie to a Professional Club

This includes youth, amateur and professional clubs

NC Youth Soccer ITC Requirements:

All players will continue to complete required ITC paperwork - this way players are not affected if they change clubs either @ tryouts or during the season year.

Foreign-Born Players that register before their 10th birthdate are automatically approved - no paperwork required.

Players that are members of an Association that has a de facto relationship w/ a professional club will be held off the field until approval is received -per USSF policy. However, players are permitted to register & practice.

Players that are members of our other Associations will NOT be held off the field while awaiting ITC approval. However approval will be required if their team plays in National League/Piedmont Conference or State Cups.

Regardless of the Associations status, Foreign-Exchange Students will only be allowed to practice (not play in league or tournaments) until ITC clearance is granted. Player will be encouraged to be registered Recreation for insurances purposes.

ODP players registering directly with NC Youth Soccer will be required to participate in the ITC paperwork process. Players will not be held off the field as practice is permitted, however, attending ODP events, camp or called up for Regional play - ITC clearance must be received in order to participate.

To date the following clubs have been identified:

- NCFC – Youth
- Carolina Rapids
- Charlotte Soccer Academy
- Greensboro United/NC Fusion/TCYSA (*signed an agreement w/ Seattle Sounders*)
- ABYSA (relationship w/ European Club)
- NOTE: as associations submit ITC paperwork – de facto info is collected