

# 2019 ENPL NATIONAL PLAYOFF FAQs:



## ENPL National Playoff

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### SCHEDULING/QUALIFICATION:

- **Who qualifies to the ENPL National Playoff?**
  - With a new format for the 2019 postseason, the ENPL National Playoff will feature qualifying 14-U through 19-U boys teams in one location and will welcome teams from all NPLs and Boys ECNL Conferences. The new format provides a pathway for all member teams to compete for national championships on the field. **However, the event format will vary depending on age group.**
    - For 14-U through 17-U teams, this tournament is the first of a two-stage postseason with top teams advancing to the 2019 ENPL National Finals (July 11-15 in Commerce City, Colorado): **top four from 14-U bracket and top eight of each 15-U, 16-U and 17-U divisions.**
    - **For 19-U teams, the 2019 ENPL National Playoff is a single-stage postseason** with one national championship being awarded in Illinois.
- **When should I arrive?**
  - Please plan to arrive in Loves Park on June 27. Registration will take place that evening with games beginning at 9:00 a.m. CT on the 28<sup>th</sup>.
- **What if I cannot make it to team check in on June 27<sup>th</sup>?**
  - Please email [arieben@usclubsoccer.org](mailto:arieben@usclubsoccer.org) to get permission to check in at tournament HQ at the facility at least 1 hour prior to the team's first game.
- **When & where will the schedule be posted?**

- The schedule will be posted on the [ENPL National Playoff webpage](#) June 18, 10 days prior to the start of the competition.
- **When is the latest I could play a game?**
  - Games on the final day, July 2, will be held at 9 a.m. or 11 a.m. CT.

## VENUE/LODGING:

- **Where is the venue?**
  - The playoff will be held at [Mercyhealth Sportscore Two](#) located at 8800 E Riverside Blvd Loves Park, IL 61111.
- **What is the facility layout?**
  - Mercyhealth Sportscore Two features 26 grass fields with seven turf fields. A field map of the complex can be seen [here](#).
- **Where should we book Hotels?**
  - Hotel rooms for all ENPL postseason events, including the ENPL National Playoff, ENPL National Finals and ENPL 19-U National Finals, must be booked through **Tournament Housing Services (THS)**, the Official Travel Partner of US Club Soccer. Teams that fail to comply with this policy are subject to disciplinary measures.
  - Hotel options in the Rockford area are limited. **There are few hotels in close proximity to the facility and a majority of hotels will be a 30-60 minute drive.** We want to prepare teams accordingly and ensure all teams, despite qualification date, have an opportunity to book some of the closer inventory. With this in mind, we will have three (3) release dates for hotel inventory. Each release date will include inventory varying in distance to the facility. Teams are not restricted to a specific release date. We understand teams will be coming from all over the country to compete and want to present a clear picture of the hotel situation.
  - Click on [this link](#) to reserve via THS website or call **(888) 536-8326** for THS to guide you through the booking process. THS has reserved hotels well in advance at the lowest available rates with the most suitable amenities for your team.
  - **HOTEL INVENTORY RELEASE DATES:**
    - March 6
    - May 15
    - June 5
  - Teams advancing from the Playoff to the Finals in Colorado have been pre-booked into hotel accommodations and will receive hotel accommodations. (More information on these accommodations will be provided after qualification).

## COMPETITION/RULES:

- **When do we need to finalize rosters by?**

- The final player roster must be submitted at check-in. After submission, your team's roster will be frozen through the event.
- **Where are the event rules available?**
  - The event rules can be accessed [here](#) and are available on the [ENPL National Playoff webpage](#).
- **Can I film games or arranged for them to be filmed?**
  - The 2019 ENPL National Playoff will offer Trace Soccer's video and player performance technology. Trace uses an automated camera from an elevated height to provide the optimal view for players, coaches and recruiters. In addition to game film, teams will receive automated player moments and individual player stats which can easily be shared with friends and family. Game Film Packages must be pre-booked, and all bookings will close one week prior to event. [Click here](#) to see all of the Trace packages. Trace services are limited. If you wish to have Trace film your games, please book online by e-mailing [q@traceup.com](mailto:q@traceup.com) or call (888) 568-3264.
  - **No elevated filming (over 6 feet) is permitted at the competition.**
- **How can I keep track of qualifying teams?**
  - Qualifying teams will be tracked at [this page on the ENPL website](#), as they are determined.
- **Will my team be able to schedule training times at the facility?**
  - Yes, training will be limited to one-hour sessions on half of an artificial turf field, and time slots will be filled first-come first-served. To request a training time, please email Alexandra Rieben at [arieben@usclubsoccer.org](mailto:arieben@usclubsoccer.org).

## COLLEGE RECRUITING:

- **What can I do to attract college coaches to my games?**
  - 15-U through 19-U age groups (optional for 13-U and 14-U participating teams) are [required to have their online scouting profiles completed](#) with our college recruitment partner, [www.scoutingzone.com](http://www.scoutingzone.com). Team managers will receive emails with instructions. Teams that already have profiles set in SCOUTINGZONE only need to make sure they are updated. Contact [SCOUTINGZONE](#) for more information.