

This information is for all teams registered to play in the National League hosted event weekend at Rantoul Soccer Park, Rantoul, IL April 27-28, 2024. Contacts have frequently changed so please make sure you forward this on to your coaches, DOC's and managers to make sure this message gets to where it needs to be as there is a lot of important information regarding the upcoming weekend.

Rantoul Family Sports Complex is the location that will host the games in Rantoul, IL. The address is 744 S. Murray Road, Rantoul, IL, 61866. The website can be found at <u>https://www.rantoulsportscomplex.com/</u> and attached <u>here</u> is the field map of the location.

SCHEDULES

Please double check your game schedules, go to the Midwest Conference website at <u>https://www.usysnationalleague.com/midwest-conference/</u> click on Scores, Standings & Schedules and then select your specific age group and division. For Elite 64 Regional League Midwest matches schedules are posted here-<u>https://www.usysnationalleague.com/elite-64-regional-league/.</u> All referees have been assigned and changes cannot be made to NL-hosted weekends once the schedule has been published.

Please account for the time zone listed next to a game time when viewing the schedule in GotSport. The time zone listed pulls from the time zone setting on your GotSport account. If you are not logged into GotSport, the time displayed will pull from the time zone of the venue the game is being played.

TEAM PAPERWORK

There will NOT be an in person check-in. You do not need to turn in any forms or referee pay to a check-in location. <u>All</u> event fees and referee fees will be collected prior to the event by credit card (payment details seen below). Then Game Cards for each game will be turned into the referee at your game field prior to kick off. ALL Player pass cards, game cards, medical releases and copies of your official state stamped roster (for the opponent if requested) are brought to the field.

EVENT FEES & REFEREE FEES

Be sure to read **ALL** the information below carefully regarding Event and Referee Fees. All event and referee fees **MUST** be paid prior to the event, we will not have an in person check in and we will not accept cash for event fees or referee fees. These fees must all be paid ahead of time. Once the schedule has been posted, all participating teams will receive an email notifying them of an event invoice in GotSport. This invoice will be specific to each team for the number of games they are playing and their subsequent referee fees. To pay your invoice, whether it be credit card or check, please see the walkthrough on the Conference website under the NL-Hosted Weekends drop-down. These fees must be paid prior to the weekend.

Please note that all event fees for NL-Hosted Event Weekends were clearly listed in our Conference Operating Procedures prior to schedules being created and all teams agree to these fees when they schedule games in these events. The event fee for each participating team is \$250. If a team is playing a 3rd match there is an additional extra \$100 fee for the 3rd match. See note below from the COP's:

NL-hosted weekend will take place on the following weekends:

Spring Season 2024

April 26-28, 2024 Rantoul, IL 8 fields (turf) \$250 per team (3rd match an extra \$100)*

*Denotes a Stay to Play weekend. We are required to use the housing companies in order to use these state of the art facilities on these weekends. Housing information will be posted on the conference website after the scheduling meetings have been completed.

A reminder on Referee Fees:

13U and 14U:	\$85 per game per team; a total of \$170	(\$70 to Referee and \$50 to each AR)
15U and 16U:	\$95 per game per team; a total of \$190	(\$80 to Referee and \$55 to each AR)
17U, 18U and 19U:	\$105 per game per team; a total of \$210) (\$90 to Referee and \$60 to each AR)

STAY TO PLAY RULE FOR TEAM HOUSING

Housing information can be found on the conference website and has already been sent to all teams. The housing links can be found in the NL- Hosted Weekends drop down for each event weekend.

PLAYER UNIFORMS

When there is a conflict in uniform color, it is expected that the first team listed on the match schedule is to wear light/white color jerseys and socks. When there is a conflict in uniform color, the team listed second on the NL schedule must change its jerseys and socks, except in situations where the team listed first is wearing dark colored jerseys and/or socks, then the team listed first must change to light/white color jerseys and socks. The Referee shall define what constitutes light and dark colored jerseys and socks. If any player/s on the roster are club pass carded players with the same player number as another player on their team, then the number must be edited with tape and the game card should be edited to match. This is not permissible at the National Tier of National League but is permissible at the conference level.

SEND OFFS-RED CARDS

Remember that anyone receiving a Red Card or Sent Off is automatically suspended from the team's next conference game. The referee's decisions on the field are final.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Some additional notes about this weekend:

- Pets are NOT allowed onsite
- Game Scores are to be submitted by the teams directly themselves. ALL match scores must be entered by the winning team. In the event of a tie, the team listed as Team A (home) on the schedule should be the team that enters the score and submits the game card. This MUST be done before leaving the facility.
- Concessions are available throughout the site
- We expect to play through rain, although severe weather may delay games

Subject to Change (as of April 1, 2024)



NATIONAL LEAGUE TFAM CHECKLIST FOR EVENTS

This checklist has been provided as a helpful guide to make sure team officials have all of the correct documentation with them prior to and during each NL-hosted weekend. This is not required to be handed over to any league officials; this is just for team use only.

Team Name:			 											
State Association:			 											
Gender Age Group	((-) Boys) 14U	() 15U	() 16U	() 17U	() 18U	() 19U	
Conference & Divisi	on: _													

Prior to the weekend:

- () All team housing has been secured through the booking agent listed for this event weekend
- () All event fees have been paid in full to the conference prior to the event weekend
- () All Referee fees have been paid in full to the conference prior to the event weekend
- () All roster additions of club passcarded have been made at least 48 hours prior to the event weekend and confirmed by the state association and the conference.

Be sure that you have brought the following:

- () GotSport game cards for each match
- () US Youth Soccer Player Member Passes (from your state association)
- () Team State Association Rosters (one for each match bring spares should the opponent request a copy)
- () Club Pass Player State Rosters (one for each match bring spares should the opponent request a copy)
- () Player Medical Release Forms (your local forms are acceptable)