



WELCOME TO MVU

Playing Up Procedures

"Playing Up" occurs when a child plays on a team in an age group older than the age group he or she would normally be in as determined by birth-date. Following the MVU policy, "Our club should strive to form teams in age divisions consistent with USYS/US Club rules and regulations. However, in cases where exceptional players are capable of playing in older age groups, the following will be implemented.

Players needing one or more year's variance must get the Technical Director's approval. The parents must also agree to an additional waiver, releasing MVU, member clubs and all representatives and officers of these organizations from liability.

Request to Play Up Qualifications:

1. The player must have approval from their current coach to play up.
2. All players will tryout in their age appropriate level.
3. Player must rate in the top 3 on their current team to be eligible and have the skills substantially superior to their peers (rating will be given by the current Coach and the Technical Director).
4. Players may tryout in the age group above if they are not selected for their own age group. In order to qualify for this, **they must attend their own age tryouts.**
5. Player must submit a written request to the Technical Director.
 - a. The decision whether a child may play up will be made by the Technical Director of and the two coaches involved (current coach & "playing up" coach) and only after assessing the numbers and abilities of players registered in the affected age groups. The goal is to avoid hurting an entire age group simply to benefit one or two individuals, and to achieve "the most good for the group".

If the player or parent is not satisfied with the decision, they may make a written appeal to the Executive Director.