

Indy Burn Frequently Asked Questions and Answers

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What is Pike Indy Burn Travel soccer?

Pike Soccer Club's travel division is called "Indy Burn." Children 7-19 years old play in leagues against other teams in central Indiana (mostly Indianapolis). Most teams play at their true age, meaning members of a team are born between 8/1 of one year and 7/31 of the next.

Who coaches the teams?

The Club selects Coaches based on their youth soccer coaching experience and education. Coaches have earned state or national soccer association coaching licenses and meet or exceed State Minimum Coaching Standards. Criminal background checks are performed on all coaches and managers.

Who is on the team?

Coaches select players after an open tryout held each June. The number of players selected depends upon the number and skill level of players trying out and the number of available coaches. When there are enough skilled players, additional teams are formed. Indy Burn Premier teams are formed when the correct combination of player and coaching talent and parent desire exists. Coaches place on the roster 9-11 players for each U8-U9-U10 6 vs. 6 team; 11-13 players for each U11-U12 8 vs. 8 team and 16-18 players for each U13- U19 11 vs. 11 team. Teams are formed with the players exhibiting the highest skill level. The decisions of which players are made by the Coaches involved plus input from the Age Group trainers and PSC Soccer Director.

What is the cost?

PSC Tuition depends upon the age and level of play and may be different for each team depending upon tournament selection. The range is from about \$300. per season for the younger ages to about \$800. per season for high school aged players. This amount covers all known expenses including coach's fee, referee fees, league registrations, player registrations with IYSA and the US Youth Soccer Association, field and equipment maintenance, skills clinics, tournament fees, uniform, and 6-10 league games. There may be additional fees for tournaments, including coach's hotel expense, if a tournament is out of town. Players purchase uniforms, which are expected to last for 2 to 3 years. The basic uniform package is about \$70.; warm ups are not included. Indy Burn Tuition is paid in several payments. Club fee assistance is available for qualifying children who otherwise would not be able to play soccer.

What travel is involved?

Most league games are in the Indianapolis area. Travel in central Indiana as far as Lafayette, Terre Haute, Fort Wayne, Bloomington, or Columbus is possible, but usually travel that far is only once or twice a season. Teams may decide to register for out of town or out of state tournaments. This is especially true for Premier teams. Premier teams are also more likely to travel as far as Evansville and Fort Wayne once per season.

What other things should I know?

Team training sessions are usually held two days per week. Each team plays in the PSC hosted Pike Fest tournament in August and Kapsalis Cup in April. Each team playing at high level may enter one of the three State Cup tournaments. The decisions on whether to purchase soccer bags or additional clothing; and whether to play winter indoor soccer are left to the parents and coaches of each team. PSC Soccer Director will select specific tournaments for teams and the Club may have joint marketing agreements with other local tournaments. Winter training sessions are held at an area indoor facility, usually once a week during January and February. Parent volunteer support is expected throughout the year. Travel parents perform a variety of volunteer work, including team management, field maintenance and fund raising, and also staff the many tournaments hosted by PSC.

What do I need to do to get involved?

Tryouts for Indy Burn travel soccer are during the first week of June. Tryout schedule is posted on the Club web site www.pikeyouthsoccerclub.org Teams sometimes add players throughout the year. If you have any questions, contact PSC Soccer Director, Pike Youth Soccer Club, Inc., PO Box 532472, Indianapolis, IN 46253. Rev. 05/16/11