



## **Cal South Concussion and PDI FAQs**

### **Does every parent have to complete/sign the Cal South Concussion Information Fact Sheet for Parents?**

Yes, per AB2007, every parent must complete a Cal South Concussion Information Fact Sheet for Parents.

### **As a Cal South Certified Registrar, can I approve/sign the (ELA) Electronic Legal Agreement/ Cal South Concussion Information Fact Sheet for Parents on behalf of the parent/Guardian?**

No. The Parent/Guardian must acknowledge and sign the Cal South Concussion Information Fact Sheet for Parents.

### **I have already completed my registration for the upcoming fall season on the Cal South Registration System. Will my parents/guardians be required to complete the (ELA) Electronic Legal Agreement on the Cal South Registration System?**

Yes. The preferred and most expeditious method is for the parent to complete the (ELA) via the Cal South Registration System.

### **I have already completed my registration for the upcoming fall season through a “third-party” system. Will my parents/guardians be required to complete the (ELA) Electronic Legal Agreement on the Cal South Registration System?**

Yes. The preferred and most expeditious method would require the parent to complete the (ELA) via the Cal South Registration System through the Public Site.

### **Will Cal South Accept a paper-based Cal South Concussion Information Fact Sheet for Parents?**

The preferred and most direct and expeditious method would require the parent to complete the ELA via the Public Site. Cal South will consider alternative methods such as digital form to facilitate the requirement. Affiliates must coordinate with the Corporate Office. Digital processing may delay the activation of individual players but will accommodate on first-come first serve basis.

### **Does every parent have a Cal South Account?**

Yes. Every parent has a Cal South account but not every parent has a username and password.

**What if I don't have an email? How do I get access to my account?**

In the absence of email account, please contact Dick's Sports HQ | Affinity Sports at 1-(800) 808-7195 or Club/League Registrar or Cal South at toll-free (888) 429-7276.

**Is this in effect for the 2017-2018 season and summer tournaments?**

Yes, but player and administrative passes for the 2017-2018 cannot be printed until all requirements have been met.

**Which concussion protocol legally takes priority if league, club and Cal South do not share the same protocol?**

Cal South's Concussion protocol that we use for our events is compliant with California AB2007.

**Is there a place on the parent notification form that states who is making the determination of possible concussion?**

A concussion can only be determined by a licensed health care provider who is trained in the evaluation and management of concussions. The emergency medical staff will notify parent/guardian, or team official that the player has a suspected concussion.

**How do clubs learn that a player is in a return-to-play process?**

If the player is participating in a Cal South event; State and National Cup, California Regional League, Adult State Cup, the player and parent will be notified that they have entered the Cal South concussion protocol.

**What happens if a concussed player moves to a new team prior to completion of protocol?**

The player concussion status remains with the player profile through completion of protocol.

**When you refer to "Administrators" does this also include "Coaches?"**

Yes. Any individual assigned to a team is considered an Administrator.

**Is June 1, a hard deadline to meet Cal South registration system requirements or is there a grace period?**

No. June 1 is activation date whereby player and administrative passes may be printed provided they have met all the requirements.

**Will the Cal South Concussion Fact Sheet for Parents ELA be required for parents/players every year?**

Yes. This is a yearly requirement.

**Will the CC icon appear on the player cards?**

No. The CC icon will appear only on the Administrator passes after successful completion of the CDC HEADS UP for Youth Sports on-line training.

**Can a report be generated to list parents that have completed the ELA?**

Yes. All ELA reports are available on the Cal South Registration System.

**Will the ELA be in Spanish?**

Yes. The ELA is available in Spanish.

**Do these new Policies void all prior Cal South policies currently in place?**

These provisions bring Cal South in compliance with AB2007. Cal South is reviewing existing policies to insure consistency.

**If a concussion occurs, besides filling out the form, is this submitted to Cal South? Does Cal South have to clear the player or the club?**

Yes, for Cal South Operated events. Cal South may clear the player that enters the concussion protocol as participants in our events.

**If a concussion happens on a game on Saturday, is the player eligible to play the next Saturday or Sunday, per the Seven Day gradual return to play?**

If a licensed health care provider determines that the athlete sustained a concussion or other head injury, the athlete must complete a graduated return-to-play protocol of no less than seven days in duration under the supervision of a licensed health care provider.

**Is there a plan to implement baseline concussion testing like the academy teams, high schools and colleges? If not, why?**

No. Baseline concussion testing is not required.

**How do we respond to parents that feel their kid's safety is as important as the academy kids?**

Parents have an option of pursuing baseline testing voluntarily.

**Referees will now need to know who is playing up and then call heading fouls on some players?**

Referees will not be responsible for determining the age of players.

**Can the attackers enter when the goalie plays the ball or when a defender touches it?**

As soon as the Goalkeeper releases the ball by either playing to feet or distributing, the ball is live and opposing team can pressure the ball.

**Where is the Build Out Line placed?**

The Build Out Line is marked midway between the penalty area line and the halfway line.

**Is punting allowed in 9v9 since there is no heading allowed?**

Punting is allowed and players born 2006 and older can head the ball.

**Is the 1/3 field "off side line" for 7 v7 and not for 9v9?**

It is for 7v7 only.

**Is the build out line for 7v7 or 9v9?**

It is for 7v7 only.

**What date will the new heading rule begin?**

It is already enforced and mandated per US Soccer for 2017-18 Season.

**Do these playing rules apply to recreational programs?**

Yes, for all recreational and competitive programs.

**When is the ball in play in a 7v7 game?**

As soon as the Goalkeeper releases the ball by either playing to feet or distributing, play is liv.

**What is the recommended goal size for U8?**

4ft Height | 8ft Width

**If a 2007 player heads the ball is it a direct or indirect free kick?**

When a player deliberately heads the ball, an indirect free kick is awarded from the spot of the offense. If the deliberate header occurs within the goal area, the indirect free kick should be taken on the goal area line parallel to the goal line at the point nearest to where the infringement occurred.

**Where can I find information on Player Development Initiatives?**

Please visit the Member Central area on the front page at [www.calsouth.com](http://www.calsouth.com). There are various links associated with the PDIs, Cal South PDIs, and Birth Year Matrix