

WYOMING 307 SELECT

2023-2024 Season





Wyoming Soccer Association Programs

Wyoming Soccer Association will continue to oversee the Wyoming 307 Select Soccer Program, which will culminate with teams who participate in regional Olympic Development Program (ODP) events. Participation in the Wyoming 307 Select Program will serve as an opportunity to continue player development through training and high-level tournament play. Top Wyoming 307 Select players at the 12U-17U ages for both boys and girls will be invited by staff coaches for roster placement for regional ODP events. Players will be given opportunity to continue long-term player development, raising the level of soccer across the state and increasing our ability to play and compete at the highest available level of US Youth Soccer.

Please NOTE: If selected players decline their invitation to participate in ODP events, and WSA is unable to recruit additional talent from within the program, players from outside the Wyoming 307 Select Program, to include both in-state and out-of-state players (Wyoming players will be given first priority), may be invited for placement on 'ODP Event' rosters.



Progression Matrix for Wyoming Soccer Association Programs: WSA Affiliated Club, Wyoming 307 Select and Wyoming ODP



Wyoming 307 Select Soccer Program is a state development program that aims to bring groups of players together from across the state to develop, train and compete in regional soccer tournaments (events outside of Wyoming). Wyoming 307 Select Soccer provides soccer programming for players aged 10U- 19U generally outside of regular club seasons (Fall & Spring). The Wyoming 307 Select Soccer Program holds annual tryouts in the summer to establish pools of players at each age group in both genders. Each Wyoming 307 Select Team will have an assigned Head Coach (who holds, at a minimum, a USSF Grassroots coaching license), an assistant coach and a team manager. Coaches are responsible for the coaching and event selection, while team managers oversee attendance and overall management of the team with assistance from WSA staff when needed. The Wyoming 307 Select Soccer Program provides a fantastic opportunity to continue to train and compete regularly throughout the whole year outside of club soccer commitments.



The Wyoming Soccer Association (WSA) is proud to provide a comprehensive developmental playing opportunity through our Wyoming 307 Select Program.

Philosophy

The Wyoming 307 Select Soccer Program strongly believes in developing the sport of soccer through a holistic approach that includes the players, coaches, parents, families, and local community. The goal of the program is to create the best possible environment to develop people and players and be the leading development program for soccer players in Wyoming. The program will develop players socially and psychologically, encouraging leadership and positive decision making both on and off the field. Player growth within the Wyoming 307 Select Soccer Program is vital to achieving WSA's short, mid, and long-term goals (please refer to the <u>WSA Strategic Plan</u>).

Our Vision & Values

The program's vision is to have players and teams at every age group representing the state at the highest level of competition. The program aims to retain players throughout their youth soccer careers and to build on the number of players playing soccer in the state of Wyoming.

The Wyoming 307 Select Soccer Program has a strong set of core values that reinforce everything the program stands for and aims to achieve. All coaches and players within the program are instrumental in creating an environment that promotes the programs core values, those being honesty, integrity, loyalty, and hard work. All are paramount to success, both on and off the field. In addition to these values, we expect all coaches and players to show enthusiasm, imagination, and an ability to think outside the box while working as a team for the betterment of all.

Wyoming 307 Select teams are intended to augment the programs offered by Wyoming Soccer Association's (WSA) affiliated clubs and do not compete with its clubs' programs and commitments. WSA affiliated clubs can be assured that Wyoming 307 Select team members are a member of an affiliated club and the club/team is the player's primary responsibility.

Wyoming 307 Select holds tryouts as a preliminary entry point to the program. To be selected for Wyoming 307 Select, a player must tryout annually, as membership is not guaranteed from year to year. Players will be notified upon selection. Each team reserves the right to create a pool of eligible players from which coaches can select tournament rosters. The teams will represent Wyoming 307 Select at several events (all outside Wyoming) throughout the year which could include friendly events and tournaments. Top players at the 12U-17U age may be invited to a roster for regional ODP events. Participation in these events will be at the discretion of the player/family and will incur added costs.

Identification:

Wyoming 307 Select may identify players prior to or following the annual tryouts:

- Wyoming 307 Select coaches may identify potential players in their natural game-playing environment.
- Coaches may extend invitations to players to attend a tryout either during the summer or attend a training as their tryout event.

Tryout:

- To be considered for selection into the Wyoming 307 Select Program for the new season, all new and existing players must tryout prior to the beginning of the soccer year at tryouts to be held annually between June and August.
- Team Coaches may use their discretion to invite players throughout the season to join the program. Players will still be required, as a prerequisite, to enroll in the tryouts prior to program registration through December 31st each year.
- Players aged 15U+, who were not registered in the Wyoming 307 Select Program during the previous season, may attend one (1) tournament with a Wyoming 307 Select Team during the season and utilize this opportunity as an "event tryout". Players must enroll in the "Tryouts" and pay the tryout fee and their designated portion of the team registration fee (if the current season tryout link is open). If, following the tournament, the player is invited by the coach to join the respective Wyoming 307 Select Team, they must accept the invitation within one week of the invite, and may NOT participate with the team further within the season if they choose not to accept the invitation. They will be given this opportunity only one time. In subsequent seasons, the player may not utilize an "event tryout" and must try out for the program during the scheduled tryout weekend(s).
- Upon selection into the Wyoming 307 Select Soccer Program, players must sign and adhere to the Wyoming 307 Select Soccer Program Player Code of Conduct.
- ODP Team Selection is a separate process to Wyoming 307 Select team selection and participation with Wyoming 307 Select is not a guarantee of selection. Players will be selected by the Head Coach of an age group with support of the WSA Technical Director and/or WSA technical lead staff.

Players:

- All players will be registered as a competitive player, and in good standing with a WSA affiliated club and remain in good standing with said club to continue to be eligible for the Wyoming 307 Select team. NO EXCEPTIONS!
- 10U 19U players are required to be rostered and playing with their primary club team as an active
 participant given an age and gender appropriate team is available. If no team is available, a player must still
 meet #1 above.

Playing Opportunity:

- The team staff is responsible for registering the team for tournaments, paying fees and expenses, and submitting the notification or permission to travel, per <u>WSA rules and procedures</u>.
- Wyoming 307 Select teams can only attend US Soccer sanctioned tournaments held outside of Wyoming and whose rules do not expressly prohibit this team type, which is a tournament select team. All teams will receive a minimum of two opportunities to travel to tournaments as a 307 Select Team (these will be consistent for the entire program) and may attend additional events as the team sees fit. Top players aged 12U-17U may receive additional opportunities to participate in regional ODP events.
- An event roster must be emailed to the state registrar no fewer than 14 business days before team check in, in alphabetical order with the last name first.
- Team staff must apply for travel permission per WSA travel rules.
- Team staff are expected to report all player injuries, red cards, and coaching/spectator ejections to the state office within 48 hours of event.
- The following are the only staff allowed on the team sideline during games: WSA state staff.
- Guest players ARE NOT allowed. NO EXCEPTIONS.

Training Gear:

- Training gear is not provided by WSA.
- A link for program training and fan gear will be sent to all registered players in the program.

Uniforms:

- Wyoming 307 Select Soccer Program uniforms are standardized for all teams and a link to order individual uniforms will be sent to all registered players in the program.
- Uniforms bearing a Wyoming 307 Select Soccer logo are to be worn only by players who are on approved Wyoming 307 Select rosters and attending an event as a designated Wyoming 307 Select team.
- No team sponsor logos or names on uniforms. Team sponsor logos or names are permitted on warm-ups or T-shirts. WSA reserves the right to secure a program sponsor, which may be printed on uniforms.
- Uniforms for team rosters participating in regional ODP events will be issued by Wyoming Soccer Association.



Wyoming 307 Select Calendar 2023-2024

- June 10-11, 2023 Wyoming 307 Select Tryouts
- June 24-25, 2023 Wyoming 307 Select Tryouts
- Week of July 3, 2023 Wyoming 307 Select Invites Go Out
- July 15, 2023
 Initial Player Accept or Decline Deadline
- October 1, 2023 Initial Player Invites for ODP Rosters
- October 15, 2023 ODP Player Accept or Decline Deadline
- November 1, 2023 ODP Rosters Finalized

2023-2024 Selected Tournaments

- TBD
- TBD

Please review the WSA Calendar prior to selection of additional tournaments.

Every effort will be made to adhere to this schedule as presented, however due to inclement weather and/or changes to facility availability, these dates may change. WSA reserves the right to make those changes and will work to provide adequate notice.



Wyoming 307 Select Fees

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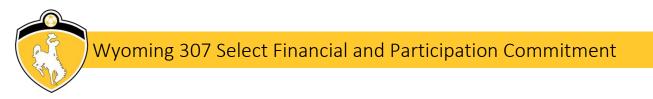
- **Tryout Fee:** Fee must be paid in full at time of registration for tryout.
- Program Fee: Fee to be paid in part or full at time of registration for the program (payment plans are available).
 - Fee Covers:

- Tryout Expenses not covered by Tryout fee
- Coach/Staff Lodging
 - Coach/Staff Meals For state organized events or education
- Coach/Staff Mileage
- Coach Gear
- Coach Stipends
- Player Financial Aid/Scholarships
- Fees for Coach's kids (one per head coach)
- State Overhead (staff/administration)

Wyoming 307 Select Training/Tournament Fees (including any trainings/events designated as ODP): These
fees are IN ADDITION to the program fees. Each team can determine what fees a player must pay to attend a
tournament or individual team training sessions. Fees for tournaments include a portion of the team
registration fee, and may include coach(s)/manager expenses (this can vary team to team), uniform costs, etc.
This fee does not cover player expenses (hotel, and meal costs are the player's responsibility, unless otherwise
organized by the team manager).

All Wyoming 307 Select fees are to be paid via the proper payment portal at the time of request. Managers and coaches are not permitted to collect cash or checks for events.

WSA reserves the right to charge and collect past due registration and team fees from all players.



Financial Commitment:

It is expressly understood by all players and their parents/guardians that once selected to the program, they are responsible for all fees associated with the program, with the exception of documented injury*. No refunds will be given once a player is accepted and registered to the program should they elect not to participate. *Refunds are decided on a case-by-case basis and require proper documentation.

Participation Commitment:

It is understood that players are expected to participate in training sessions and are encouraged to attend selected Wyoming 307 Select events. Tournament participation varies based on roster selection and event availability.

Tournament Travel:

Tournament travel is at the discretion of each family. Each team may arrange for hotel blocks at events based on tournament obligations (Stay and Play). It is expected that families will stay at the team hotel to help foster the team atmosphere off the field. The cost of hotel stays and meals while at the event will be the responsibility of the individual player/family. Team dinners and events may be arranged by teams and players are encouraged to attend.

Wyoming 307 Select Participant Code of Conduct

Participant COPY for your records—Code of Conduct signed with registration

Participants Agreement to Accept and Abide by Rules of the Program

Players participating in the Wyoming 307 Select Program are exercising a privilege afforded them by Wyoming Soccer Association. These players must exhibit the maturity to be successful in this pursuit. Thus, the following guidelines and rules shall apply in all activities within the Wyoming 307 Select Program.

I. GENERAL GUIDELINES:

- 1. Players will always demonstrate positive sportsmanship. This includes exercising positive self-control, graciously accepting the outcome of the games and treating all players and fans with courtesy and respect.
- 2. Player behavior should be of the highest standard at all times. If anyone in any way lets down the high standards that WSA expects, his or her selection in any WSA program will be at risk.
- 3. Players will be a good teammate by having a strong commitment to excellence and by putting in hard work both at practice and in games.
- 4. Players will encourage teammates in a positive way, regardless of circumstances.
- 5. Players will do their upmost to attend all scheduled games and practices and communicate with team manager or coach if unable to attend.
- 6. Players will respect, protect, and maintain equipment, the equipment of others and any playing facility.
- 7. Players will always dress appropriately and remember that you are representing Wyoming Soccer Association
- 8. All players are required to act within the spirit of good sportsmanship and abide by the "laws of the game" violent and foul play will not be tolerated.
- 9. The decisions of the match officials must always be respected.
- 10. Players must arrive early for games and training to ensure they are properly prepared. Failure to arrive on time for games may mean loss of selection.
- 11. No jewelry of any form should be worn.

II. DISCIPLINE RULES:

- 1. Substance use and/or possession thereof [drugs, alcohol, or, in the case of minors, tobacco and vape] is cause for immediate dismissal from the program.
- 2. Persistent irresponsible and disrespectful behavior is cause for dismissal from the program.
- 3. Destruction of property or violation of State and Federal laws is cause for dismissal from the program.
- 4. Zero Tolerance on Hazing: defined as any activity that endangers the physical safety of another person, or produces mental or physical discomfort; causes embarrassment, fright, humiliation, or ridicule; or degrades the individual is cause for dismissal from the program and other programs of Wyoming Soccer Association
- 5. Failure to comply with any and all team rules (curfew, attendance, dress code, schedules, etc.) may be cause for disciplinary action. Persistent failure will be cause for dismissal from the program for the remainder of the current season of this program and could affect a player's future participation.



- My communication with parents and players will be specific to discussions regarding the Wyoming 307 Select Soccer Program and sponsored events.
- With assistance from Technical Staff, I am responsible for recruiting, organizing, scouting and developing players for my individual age group, and supporting the other Wyoming 307 Select Soccer Program coaches and pool/teams.
- I will develop a dialogue with Club coaches within my team's age group throughout the state, realizing the valuable resource of their recommendations of players.
- I will observe and evaluate players within my respective age group during league play and tournaments when/where appropriate.
- I will have ongoing communication with the Technical Director, Executive Director, team administrator, players, and parents regarding the pool/team, as well as, assist with the administrative process.
- I am expected to continue to evaluate all pool players from June-May and provide written evaluations to all pool players, if requested.
- I will not engage in any behavior which would endanger the health, safety, or well-being of any coach, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendee.
- I will not use drugs, alcohol, or tobacco products while involved in any youth soccer activities, whether coaching, training, attending games, or officiating.
- I will not engage in verbal or physical abuse towards any other coach player, parent, participant or official.



Wyoming 307 Select Manager Expectations

- With assistance from my coaches, I am responsible for team communication, team financial record-keeping, training documentation, and tournament entries/preparation.
- I will be the initial point of contact for parents with questions related to logistics and will maintain a clear line of communication to parents regarding training, tournaments or anything related to our team.
- I will set up a team specific TeamApp and will provide all communications and collect all team related fees through this app.
- I will collect training attendance two weeks prior to the training event and coordinate with the team head coach and WSA Technical Director to ensure adequate training plans.
- I will prepare final tournament roster lists no less than 2 weeks before the check-in date to ensure proper roster creation.
- I will not engage in any behavior which would endanger the health, safety, or well-being of any coach, parent, player, participant, official, or any other attendee.
- I will not use drugs, alcohol, or tobacco products while involved in any youth soccer activities, whether coaching, training, attending games, or officiating.
- I will not engage in verbal or physical abuse towards any other coach player, parent, participant or official.



Wyoming 307 Select Frequently Asked Questions

What is Wyoming 307 Select?

Wyoming 307 Select is a program of WSA that aims to have players and teams at every age group representing the state at the highest level of competition. The program aims to retain players throughout their youth soccer careers and to build on the number of players playing soccer in the state of Wyoming.

What age groups are eligible for Wyoming 307 Select?

Players --both boys and girls-- 10U-19U for the 2023-2024 year are eligible.

Is this an alternative to Club Soccer?

No--Wyoming 307 Select is a secondary program to WSA affiliated club programs. Players must be a member in good standing with a local WSA club to participate with Wyoming 307 Select.

What are the goals of Wyoming 307 Select?

The goal of the program is to create the best possible environment to develop people and players and be the leading development program for soccer players in Wyoming. Wyoming 307 Select Soccer is committed to the development of its players through a strong youth development program.

What is the general process for joining?

1. Players must tryout at the cost of \$50.

2. Based on evaluation performance and ability--If selected for the Wyoming 307 Select team for their age, players will be contacted by WSA with registration information.

3. Players will register for the program and pay the program fee.

- 4. Players may be placed on a travel roster based on need and or availability for events at the discretion of the coach.
- 5. All players on the team, regardless of roster, are expected to attend training sessions.

6. Top players in the 12U-17U age group for both boys and girls, as determined by the head coach, will be offered a roster spot for regional ODP events.

Why should my child participate? If your child is passionate about soccer and interested in growing as a player and a person, this may be the program for you. Players who participate are typically looking for more soccer, at a higher competitive level than our local clubs and Wyoming soccer leagues can provide. This program offers players an opportunity to train with some of the best players in Wyoming, travel out of state and compete in high level tournaments/events, with the opportunity to play at the ODP level, the highest level offered in Wyoming.