

Proudly serving the Wyoming soccer community since 1977, Wyoming Soccer Association has a strong history of credibility. Wyoming Soccer Association is Wyoming's leading youth sports organizations with approximately 8,000 players, 400 coaches & 300 referees.

### Wyoming Soccer Association is:

- A Wyoming non-profit organization
- Official State Association & Charter Member of US Soccer Federation
- Official State Association & Charter Member of US Youth Soccer (largest youth soccer association in the United States)
- Administers US Soccer Federation Coaching programs
- Administers US Soccer Federation Olympic Development Program
- Administers US Soccer Federation Referee programs

### Mission:

The Wyoming Soccer Association creates a safe, supportive, and conducive environment that drives soccer development and healthy lifestyles for all Wyoming participants, while always ensuring fun, integrity, and respect for all.

### Vision:

Wyoming Soccer Association is a non-profit organization whose vision is to be the premier soccer organization in Wyoming.

### **Core Values:**

**Integrity** – We conduct ourselves with uncompromised honesty, honor, ethics, and integrity in all situations, events, and relationships – and we especially model this value for the members of our Association.

**Development** – We develop players, coaches, referees, and parents in order to maximize the potential, skill, and lifetime love of the game for ALL members.

Fun – We create an environment that allows for the game to be played in a fun, safe, and enjoyable atmosphere.

**Fairness** – We treat all members fairly and consistently in all aspects of operations, decisions, policies, and practices.

**Sustainability** – We lead and conduct our operations and activities to enable long-term stability, viability, and growth for the Association and its member clubs.



**Teamwork** – We promote, encourage, foster, and practice teamwork both on and off the pitch to enable the success of the Association, players, coaches, referees, and parents

The Association also provides training by offering and conducting nationally recognized coaching and referee courses; fun, age-specific, state select programming and the Olympic Development Program that provides children with the opportunity to reach their potential.

- Player Development: Emphasis is on the development of players at all levels: Recreational, Competitive, the Wyoming 307 Select Program and Olympic Development
- Good Sportsmanship: Create good sportsmanship through a positive learning environment
- Positive Coaching: Encourage kids to have fun while learning skills
- Everyone Plays: Our goal is for all kids to play soccer
- Open Registration: Our programs are open to all children
- Opportunities: Allow kids to play to their potential

## Member Benefits

## Quality Insurance Coverage Exclusive WSA Member Only Tournaments & Activities

### Wyoming Cup & Championships

- Official statewide tournament for 8U-19U
- A qualifying event for the Far West Regionals and subsequently the US Youth Soccer National Championship Series
- Exists in all 55 state associations and involves 10,000 teams nationally

### Wyoming League

- League play for WSA Affiliated teams for players 8U 20U
- Qualifiers for the Wyoming Cup & Championships
- Offered during both the active Fall & Spring Seasons
- Available to teams registered within all WSA Affiliated Clubs

### Wyoming 307 Select Soccer

• The official Wyoming State Select Development Program

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- Competitive training for WSA registered players ages 10U 19U
- Players are Evaluated for Program Inclusion

### Wyoming ODP

- Highest level of competitive play in the state for players 13U 17U
- Players are selected from the Wyoming 307 Select Program
- Players attend high level competitive ODP events with the goal of attending the West Region ODP Championships

#### US Youth Soccer National League

- Exclusive national competition for teams from all 55 state associations in the U.S.
- Teams qualify through participation in Midwest Regional League Premier Division
- Teams qualify through play for participation in US Youth Soccer nationals

#### West Mid-Western Interstate League

- Interstate league for competitive teams ages 11U 14U affiliated with the following state associations:
  - o Idaho
  - o Montana
  - o Nebraska
  - North Dakota
  - South Dakota
  - o Wyoming
- Hosted in conjunction with the Rushmore Cup annually
- League Games played over Labor Day weekend annually (location rotates between states)
- Governed by participating state associations

#### **Risk Management Standards**

- <u>Background Checks</u> for coaches, referees, administrators, volunteers
- Goal Safety
- <u>Concussion Protocol</u> & Compliance
- <u>SafeSport taining</u> for all Coaches, Referees, Board Members, Staff and Volunteers aged 18 or above.



Bylaws & Rules & Procedures for the safety of our participants which have been reviewed by US
 Soccer Federation

### Coaching Education

- Conducts US Soccer coaching courses for competitive programs
- Conducts US Youth Soccer Youth Modules for the recreational programs
- Online Grassroots Course reimbursement through the <u>Wyoming Soccer Association Coach</u>
  <u>Development Initiative</u>
- Access to Top Level Wyoming Soccer Association Technical Council (Technical Director and Technical Advisors)
- Coaches Forum hosted on Wyoming Soccer Association Web Site

### **Benefits for Players**

- Quality programs, events and opportunities
- Opportunity to participate in state-wide, regional or national tournaments
- Opportunity to participate in <u>Wyoming 307 Select & ODP Programs</u>
- Secondary insurance coverage
- Ability to review state clubs through WSA and US Youth Soccer exclusive partnership with TiPEVO
- FREE monthly subscription to the WSA monthly e-newsletter, The Latest Score
- FREE entrance to the annual Wyoming Soccer Symposium, AGM and Awards Banquet
- Access to the <u>College Connection Center</u>
- Exclusive special offers from Wyoming Soccer Association Partners
- Exclusive special offers from US Youth Soccer Official Partners
- Coaching education standards
- Access to coaching and referee education
- <u>Risk management standards</u> including but not limited to SafeSport training, goal safety and concussion awareness and compliance
- Required background checks for coaches, referees, administrators and volunteers
- Bylaws and <u>Rules & Procedures</u> for the safety of its participants which have been reviewed by US Soccer Federation



#### **Benefits for Member Clubs**

- FREE <u>club directory</u> listing
- FREE club event communications to entire state membership
- FREE Online Registration of teams for participation in all WSA sanctioned events
- FREE access to WSA's sports management system, GotSoccer
- FREE Web Site through <u>GotSoccer</u>
- Ability to promote club and garnish reviews through WSA's and US Youth Soccer's exclusive partnership with <u>TiPEVO</u>.
- Club Passes
- Ability to participate in Member Only tournaments and activities
- Ability to obtain WSA tournament sanctioning (insurance)
- Certificates of Insurance for Facilities
- FREE WSA sanctioned tournament listing on state website and in WSA monthly e-newsletter, <u>The Latest Score</u>
- Option to obtain 3-day Tournament Coach & Player Passes
- Access to state office and technical staff for support
- Exclusive special offers from WSA Partners
- Exclusive special offers from US Youth Soccer Official Partners
- Opportunities for grant funding through the US Soccer Federation's Innovate to Grow Program
- Free entry to the WSA AGM and Symposium featuring nationally renowned speakers
- Consistent and even-handed regulations
- Neutral forum for dispute resolution with further appeals rights to USSF under a consistent applied set of rules
- Risk Management Standards
- Governance for issues that involve the safety of participants and Code of Conduct