



# SOUTH TEXAS YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION PROPOSED RULE CHANGE #1

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## SECTION I: ADD OR CHANGE A RULE

Is there currently a rule that applies?  X  Yes   No

Primary Page No(s):  9  Secondary Page No(s):  10

Rule Location: Registration Rules and Procedures

Title of Section: 3.8 CLUB PLAYER PASS SYSTEM

### **Rule as it presently reads:**

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c. Guest player may play for only one team in a day.

d. Individual Penalty Points will accumulate jointly for all games played (separate accumulations by team or competition will not be allowed). Penalty Point suspensions for the player must be served with the player's Primary team and the player is ineligible for guest playing until the suspension has been served. The player, coach (of both the Primary and guest team), and the coaching director of each club are responsible for monitoring and complying with STYSA's Progressive Disciplinary System.

e. All persons failing to properly monitor and comply with the Club Pass System rules are subject to penalty based on the STYSA Progressive Discipline System.

f. A team may have a pool of players available as guest players not to exceed the per game limit as set forth below. A guest player appearing in a team's player pool may not be removed during the season of play (fall or spring). A player in the team's pool may guest play for the team multiple times during the season of play (fall or spring). A player may be in multiple team pools during a season of play (fall or spring).

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**SECTION II - JUSTIFICATION FOR THE PROPOSED RULE CHANGE:**

The wrong terminology was used in Rule 3.8. Since both “Guest Player” (Rule 3.1.6) and “Club Pass Player” (Rule 3.1.7) are specifically defined, the use of “guest player” in 3.8 is incorrect since the section pertains only to the Club Player Pass System and therefore, “Club Pass Players” and not to “Guest Players.” The change corrects the terminology.

**Submitted by:** STYSA Rules Committee

**Rules Committee Recommendation:** The Committee recommends passage.

**Executive Committee Recommendation:** The Executive Committee recommends passage with the following amendments.

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