

SHORELINE ADULT SOCCER LEAGUE, INC.

Founded at Clinton, Connecticut in 1979
Affiliated with the Connecticut State Soccer Association in 1987
Incorporated in 1993

HYPERLINK "http://saslsoccer.com" <http://saslsoccer.com>

Application To Join The S.A.S.L. Over-30 League

Dear Coach/Manager,

Thank you for showing an interest in joining the Shoreline Adult Soccer League, Inc. (S.A.S.L.).

Please visit our Website at the URL at the top of this page for more information regarding the S.A.S.L. A review of the current League standings will give you an idea of the level of competition and geographical location of all the teams. The Connecticut State Soccer Association (C.S.S.A.) has recognised the S.A.S.L. as the largest soccer league under their jurisdiction. It is the premier Over-30 soccer league in Connecticut.

The **S.A.S.L. Over-30 League** is divided into several divisions. The First Division is regarded as highly competitive with many players formerly playing in the Connecticut Soccer League and at the collegiate level. Some individuals have played professionally in the past and a very small number have played for their national team. As you may expect, the Second Division may be slightly less competitive, albeit some teams are First Division calibre and are playing to return to the top division. The Third Division may be less competitive with some teams and players playing mostly for recreation but with a competitive edge, but again, some teams may be of Second Division calibre trying to return to that level.

Some divisions may also be divided geographically into East and West or North and South divisions to help out with the travelling distances in the S.A.S.L. for less competitive teams.

There is a relegation/promotion scheme in place at the end of each season and how many teams go up or down depends on the division.

All new teams must enter through the lowest division and find their own level over a few seasons. Strong teams will most likely want to progress to the upper divisions, but must earn this via promotion.

Currently, the S.A.S.L. seasons are scheduled to be from mid-April through to mid-November with a summer break, approximately all of July through to mid-August when the second half of the season resumes.

Expect to play make-up games during and after the regular schedule in the summer or at the end of the season owing to scheduled games being postponed for any reason, especially weather. Also, if your team enters any of the C.S.S.A. State Cups (see the CSSA Website at HYPERLINK "http://cssasoccer.com/" <http://cssasoccer.com/>), State Cup games take precedence over league games, so you will be expected to make-up those league games also. Therefore, expect to play games from early April to approximately early December, depending on make-up games and/or State Cup games.

The S.A.S.L. attempts to form divisions of 10 teams, which gives each team 9 home games and 9 away games for a total of 18 league games. That is typically the "regular season." There may be cases of divisions containing less than 10 teams, in which case the S.A.S.L. will attempt to provide games to make up an 18-game season for you.

The **S.A.S.L. Masters League** is the S.A.S.L.'s Over-40 league, formed in 1998. It has evolved into a premier competitive league also.

The **S.A.S.L. Over-50 League** was formed in 2009, originally as Over-48 through 2013, Over-49 in 2014 and ultimately Over-50 in 2015. It is also rapidly growing and becoming increasingly competitive.

There are separate application forms for teams wishing to enter the Masters (Over-40) League or the Over-50 League. Please see the Website to download the forms.

Please also find enclosed an application form. Fill this out wherever possible.

It is important that you fill in the manager's name, address and phone number. You must provide two, preferably three Internet email addresses. When filling out the roster section, try to give at least 15 names. The maximum Over-30 roster size in the S.A.S.L. is 25 players. For each player you **must** give the player's birthday.

It is important to remember that this is an Over-30 league; so all players must be age 30 years before they can play. The **only** exception to this is that a goalkeeper may be age 25 years before they can play, only in goal. The roster you give here is not binding or final, and you may add or delete players on the official C.S.S.A. registration form given to you after you are accepted into the S.A.S.L. Driver's licences will be used for players ID number.

Estimate a probable budget for one season to be about \$2,000.00 to include basic League and State Association fees, bonds, player passes, registration, insurance and referee, and possibly referee assistant (linesmen), fees. This works out to around \$100.00 per player for a 20-player roster. These are merely basic estimates and may work out to be higher based on fluctuating fees from season to season. It does not include what you must budget for kit (uniforms), of course.

Everything except the referee fees are usually required by the deadline set by the League. The home team pays referee and referee assistants' fees on match days. There will be additional costs should your club decide to enter C.S.S.A. State Cup competitions and the like. The overall value, however, compares extremely well to the costs of entering a team into the local indoor soccer establishments for short, eight-week seasons.

APPLICATION FEE AND APPLICATION DEADLINE

New Team Applying Application Fee

All new team applications submitted must be accompanied with an application fee of \$200.00. If the new team applying is not accepted into the League for whatever reason, \$100.00 will be refunded to them.

Please submit a **Bank Certified Check** or **U.S. Postal Money Order** made out to 'Shoreline Adult Soccer League, Inc.'

Current S.A.S.L. Teams Applying To Move Up The Next Age Level S.A.S.L. League

Current S.A.S.L. teams are **NOT** required to pay a fee to move up to the next age level league.

IMPORTANT!

All applications for the next new season must be received by the S.A.S.L. by **no later than December 15th** of the year proceeding the next new season. This gives the S.A.S.L. time to evaluate and process the application. The S.A.S.L.'s Annual General Meeting, when teams are voted on, is in mid-February.

The earlier you apply gives you priority for consideration of acceptance into the S.A.S.L. if other teams apply after you. FOR EXAMPLE: If there is only one spot open in a division your team qualifies for and two teams apply, then the first team who apply first will be considered and/or voted on first to be accepted. Teams who applied later are put on a "waiting list" just in case new teams are rejected or current teams drop out of the S.A.S.L. for any reason.

The S.A.S.L. reserves the right to reject any application to join any of the S.A.S.L. leagues.

All new teams applying to join the S.A.S.L. are voted on at the League's Annual General Meeting in mid-February before the new season starts. All new teams applying are therefore invited to attend the A.G.M.

NEW TEAMS ONLY: After a team is accepted and voted in, the new team must pay all League and State Association fees and bonds at the A.G.M. by a **Bank Certified Check** or **U.S. Postal Money Order** made out to 'Shoreline Adult Soccer League, Inc.'

Please mail your completed applications via regular U.S. Mail or via email to the **League Secretary**. If you have any questions, you may contact the **League President** or any of the other officers (all contact information is on the S.A.S.L. Website at HYPERLINK "http://saslsoccer.com/" <http://saslsoccer.com/>).

Thank you once again.

For the S.A.S.L. Executive Board

League Corresponding Secretary

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Application To Join The S.A.S.L. Over-30 League

Team Name:

Colours:

Home Field:

Founded (month/year):

Manager Name:

Address:

City:

State: _____ Zip:

Telephone (Home):

Telephone (Work):

Telephone (Cell):

Email Address:

Assistant Manager Name:

Address:

City:

State: _____ Zip:

Telephone (Home):

Telephone (Work):

Telephone (Cell):

Email Address:

Previous Leagues Team Has Played In	Seasons (From - To)

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