

TORPEDOES

2024-2025 TRYOUTS

***The Torpedoes Board welcomes you to the
2024-2025 Soccer Season Tryouts***

Torpedoes Goals

Our goal is to provide players with an environment in which they can improve their soccer skills, encourage a love of the game and most importantly to have fun.

Tryout Procedure

- If your child cannot attend the tryout session, advise one of your coaches so they know they are interested in playing next season. New players to the club should contact the DOC to arrange to join an age-appropriate training session in lieu of the tryout session.
- There is no guaranteed spot on any team from year to year. Players are placed on a team and bound to that team for the duration of the 2024-2025 soccer season.
- Our professional trainers run tryouts and make assessments.
- Considerations include athletic ability, speed and coordination, soccer aptitude, field awareness, attitude, and other considerations.
- The Torpedoes Board makes final determinations on rosters proposed by the trainers.
- Tryout results will be emailed to players after tryouts. We ask parents/players to accept/decline the position within 72 hours.

Facilities

We are proud of our excellent facilities, which include:

- Pulis Turf Field (Wyckoff) – Fully lighted turf facility featuring two full sided fields that can accommodate up to four small-sided games.
- Torpedoes Indoor (Wyckoff) – Opened in December of 2023.
- Memorial Turf Field (Wyckoff) – Opened in Fall of 2020 a multi-use athletic complex.
- The Cage (Wyckoff) – Opened in Fall of 2011, the Soccer Court is a fenced in turf field located at Memorial field in Wyckoff and is used all year long.
- Grass Fields (Wyckoff) – Currently Torpedoes teams have access to three natural grass fields.

Training

Players are expected to attend two sessions per week during the Fall and Spring seasons. Training will also be held during the winter (we understand conflicts with other sports is a possibility). Most EDP teams will choose to train 3x per week and attend additional tournaments at an additional cost to players.

Games

NCSA: Games are scheduled by the league. During the Fall, boys play on Saturdays and girls on Sundays. During the Spring, both boys and girls play on Sundays. Rescheduled games could be another day based on availability.

EDP: Games are scheduled by the Head Coach and are usually on Saturday or Sunday.

Tournaments

Teams attend two to three tournaments per year. Typical tournament weekends are Labor Day Weekend (or the weekend before), Columbus Day Weekend, and Memorial Day Weekend. U7 and U8 teams are exempted from mandatory participation in tournaments. Additionally, many age groups form teams that play in summer tournaments.

Structure of Teams

- **U7** - Run in clinic format. Emphasis on 3v3 games.
- **U8** - This age group practices together with multiple trainers depending on # of players. Set teams will be created for games. During the Fall, all teams will play a 4v4 format. If appropriate, in the spring we may create a 7v7 team that will play up in a U9 bracket.
- **U9 & U10** - Three to four teams of 10-12 players (maximum 14). Players are grouped by ability; red, white & black. Red is the most developed. These teams play on a 7v7 small-sided field.
- **U11 & U12** - Up to three teams of 12 players (maximum 14). Players are grouped by ability; red, white, and black. Red is the most developed. These teams play on a 9v9 small-sided field.
- **Full-sided (U13 – U15)** - Generally a maximum of two teams are formed with 16 to 18 players rostered on each team. We carry an “A Team” (Red team) and a “B Team” (White team). These teams play 11v11 on a full-sized field.

Conflicting Sports Policy

Players are expected to attend every scheduled Torpedoes practice and game. If a player misses a practice or game due to a conflict with another sport during the fall season, the coach may reduce the player's game time. Excessive absence may result in a player's expulsion from the Torpedoes. The Torpedoes do not have a rule barring a player from playing soccer and another sport in the fall, but the club strongly suggests that the parents give a great deal of thought to whether playing multiple sports in the fall is a good idea for their child, particularly in the light of the commitment necessary to be a Torpedoes player.

Coaches/Trainers

All teams (U7-U15) are professionally instructed by paid trainers for practices and games. Two to three practices per week.

Each team has at least one volunteer parent assistant or manager, approved by the board and required to be carded and have a club-approved coaching certification. They assist the trainer on sidelines during games, collect team fees / pay trainers, and communicate with parents.

All Torpedoes trainers are independent and are vetted and overseen by Director of Coaching Andy Meaney. They are required to continue their growth as trainers through coaching courses and workshops. In addition, Torpedoes provides free weekly goalkeeper training by our specialized coach.

Club Registration and Dual-Carding

The Torpedoes must be a player's primary soccer club commitment. Any player considering playing for another club must consult the Torpedoes policy on dual carding.

Estimated Fees

Club Registration Fee – covers all fixed costs including fields (rentals/maintenance), insurance, passes, registrar, DOC.

U8 to U14 \$549

Uniform Kit (New 3 year cycle begins Fall 2024)
(approximate amount) \$200

Team Fees – Varies by team and are in addition to club registration fee. Covers team costs including trainer fees, tournament fees, referee fees and other variable team costs.

Small Sided \$500 to \$2000

Full Sided \$600 to \$2500

Max Field Usage Fee - \$75 per player/per season if team practices more than 2x a week and \$75 per player/per season if team plays in more than 1 league.

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