



Dear Colts Rising U13/U14 Player,

We hope this finds you all well, healthy, and excited for spring weather! This letter has information on the Colts' evaluations/tryouts for the rising U13 & U14 boys' and girls' teams. Please read on, complete the form at the bottom, and bring to your first evaluation. Don't hesitate to reach out with any questions.

The Colts U13 & U14 assessments will be held on two consecutive Saturday afternoons in May between 4:30 and 7:30. (See the Colts website for official dates and times.) Check the website for updates in the event of severe rain. We will create the following teams: U13 girls, U13 boys, U14 girls, and a U14 boys, who will all compete in the competitive Soccer Maine League. Please also be aware of the following:

- Players must be registered for the upcoming FALL season with Soccer Maine BEFORE coming to tryouts. <http://www.yarmouthcolts.com/>. If a player decides not to play or does not make the team for the fall season, the registration fee will be refunded.
- Team roster sizes can vary; the target roster size, per Soccer Maine recommendation, is 18. Soccer Maine further mandates no more than 22 players per team.
- The overall number in each age group/gender will determine if we are able to have a second team (a "B" team) in that age group.
- A player may choose not to attend evaluations, but still **must be registered** before the first evaluation date in May. If a player chooses not to attend, he/she will be placed on the second team *if there are enough players to field a second team*.
- We highly encourage players to attend both sessions in order to give the evaluators the best picture of skill sets. If you can not attend both sessions, please let us know so we can alert the evaluators.

With evaluations at the U13 & U14 level, not everyone may make the team they are hoping to. Therefore, for those who are rostered on the team, we ask that you agree to put Colts first. By signing this letter, you are agreeing to make a serious commitment to your Colts' teammates. The following are the responsibilities and expectations U13 & U14 Colts players:

- Players are expected to attend team practices and games with minimal conflicts.
- Players are responsible for arriving at games and practices on time, ready to play.
- Players are expected to play in Soccer Maine's six league games, the *Just for Fun* Labor Day Tournament, the Falmouth Fall Classic, & Soccer Maine playoff games.
- Players are encouraged to participate in the following team building Colts activities: Maine Children's Cancer Walk & Friendlies (scrimmage games).

- If the player has a known conflict, please notify your coach and discuss the situation as soon as possible.
 - Repeated conflicts may result in the loss of game playing time. In extreme cases possible forfeiture of the player's place on the team may occur.
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Please indicate that you **and** your parent/guardian have read and agree to the Colts First position by signing and bringing it to evaluations in May. You may also email your signed form to info@yarmouthcolts.com. If you have questions about this commitment, please contact Chip Noble or Jill Butler, whose contact information can be found on our website.

Player name (printed): _____

Player signature: _____

Parent/Guardian signature: _____

We ask players to indicate their intentions for evaluations - check one below:

- Field player only
- Goalkeeper only - in which case should you make the team, there would be no guarantee of playing time in the field.
- Both as a field player and a GK

Bring a ball, water bottle, and your signed Colts First Letter to the first evaluation.