



2024-2025 US Youth Soccer Coach of the Year Nomination Form

Requirements to apply:

The individual shall be selected for extraordinary accomplishments as a soccer coach if the individual—

- (1) coached for at least one season during the 2022-2023 seasonal year;
- (2) coached during the 2023-2024 seasonal year; and
- (3) coached/is coaching for US Youth Soccer, a region, a State Association, a member club/team of any of those organizations. An individual may be nominated for any of the four 'Coach of the Year' awards below. **Select only one category:**

- Coach of the Year – Girls Recreation**
 Coach of the Year – Boys Recreation
 Coach of the Year – Girls Competitive
 Coach of the Year – Boys Competitive

State Association: _____

Complete home address and phone numbers are required. Please TYPE or PRINT LEGIBLY.

Nominee's Name:

* **PRINT** nominee's name **EXACTLY** as it is to appear on the certificate.

Address:

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Email: _____
Phone (area code): _____ Occupation: _____ Club/League: _____

Criteria:

Responses to each of the following should be kept to a maximum of 400 words per criterion and attached on a separate sheet.

1.) Sportsmanship:

Does the coach promote sportsmanship? Does the coach instill sportsmanship in his/her players and parents beyond soccer? Are players encouraged to be respectful of opponents and the game? Does the coach practice what he/she preaches?

2.) Player development:

Are players motivated to learn and play to the extent of their ability? Does the coach create a training environment that allows for enthusiasm, creativity and self-confidence? Are players encouraged to seek higher competition? Does coach encourage players to train on their own or play in "pick-up" games?

3.) Personal coaching development:

Briefly, what is the nominee's coaching philosophy? What courses or licenses has the coach taken to continue his/her education? How does coach learn about the game in other ways? Is the nominated coach a leader?

4.) Involvement in Community:

Is the coach active in the soccer community? Does the coach positively influence soccer beyond his own team or club? Is the coach open to new ways of teaching? How does the coach promote the game?

Nominator Name:

Relation to Nominee:

*Phone (area code): _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____

Zip: _____

Entries for state consideration should be electronically sent to your State Association office. Deadlines vary, so please check with your State Association office. Their contact information can be found by clicking on the link below and going to their website:

<https://www.usyouthsoccer.org/state-associations/>

Your completed nomination should include only the a) completed nomination form, b) soccer summary (years and teams coached, licenses held, achievements) and c) no more than three letters of recommendation (any more will be discarded). The winners of each of the 54 State Associations will be forwarded to the review team and possibly submitted as a national nominee as the 2023-2024 US Youth Soccer Coach of the Year in one of the four (4) Coach of the Year categories.

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